

Amending budget 8/2009: bluetongue, High Flux Reactor, Europol, Eurojust, OLAF

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On 3 July, the Commission forwarded to the Council preliminary draft amending budget (PDAB) No. 8 to the general budget for 2009, which contains the following elements:

- increase of EUR 49 340 000 in commitment appropriations for item 17 04 01 01 "Animal disease eradication and monitoring programmes and monitoring of the physical conditions of animals that could pose a public health risk linked to an external factor - new measures" in order to finance an emergency vaccination campaign to rapidly prevent the spread of the bluetongue disease outbreaks occurred since 2006;
- the creation of item 10 04 04 02 "Operation of the high-flux reactor (HFR) - Supplementary HFR programmes (2009 to 2011) with a "p.m." for c/a and p/a as a budgetary structure for the contributions of the Member States participating in the research programme in accordance with Council Decision 2009/410/Euratom on the adoption of a supplementary research programme to be implemented by the Joint Research Centre for the European Atomic Energy Community;
- reinforcement of the Community subsidy to EUROJUST by an amount of EUR 3 900 000 in c/a and p/a. The amount of EUR 1 600 000 in c/a is covered by assigned revenue originating from the EUROJUST surplus from 2008 and the remaining commitments of EUR 2 300 000 are deducted from the margin of heading 3a, of which EUR 1 390 000 is entered in item 18 06 04 01 and EUR 910 000 in item 18 06 04 02. The corresponding amounts in p/a are drawn from the line 18 06 07 "Civil justice" by an internal transfer and entered in items 18 06 04 01 and 18 06 04 02;
- the creation of item 18 05 02 03 "European Police Office - Transition costs" with an amount of EUR 1 250 000 in c/a and p/a as a budgetary structure for a part of the expenditure to be funded from the Community budget in accordance with the Council Decision No 2009/371/JHA of 6 April 2009 establishing the European Police Office (Europol). The commitments and payments are mobilised from the line 18 05 09 "Prevention of and fight against crime" by an internal transfer;
- temporary modification of the establishment plan of OLAF by increasing the number of AD 11 posts by 12 in order to allow for OLAF to fill these posts with successful candidates from external competitions which are currently OLAF temporary agents. The purpose of this budgetary neutral adaptation of OLAF's establishment plan, which will disappear in the 2010 budget, is to avoid massive departures and loss of important know-how among the OLAF staff.

The changes proposed in PDAB No. 8/2009 do not affect the general statement of revenue for the 2009 budget.

On 7 September 2009, the Council established draft amending budget No. 8 for the financial year 2009, as submitted by the Commission in its preliminary draft amending budget No. 8 and as set out in the technical annex to the explanatory memorandum of this text (see Council Doc. [12952/09 ADD 1](#)).