








Procedure file

Basic information	
BUD - Budgetary procedure	2018/2082(BUD)
Procedure completed	
Amending budget 4/2018: mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland	
See also 2018/2078(BUD)	
Subject 3.70.11 Natural disasters, Solidarity Fund 8.70.58 2018 budget	
Geographical area Poland Greece Bulgaria Lithuania	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 Budgets	 MUREŞAN Siegfried	16/05/2018
		Shadow rapporteur	
		 VIOTTI Daniele	
		 JÄÄTTEENMÄKI Anneli	
		 TARAND Indrek	
		 ŽÓLTEK Stanisław	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	 Regional Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union			
European Commission	Commission DG Budget	Commissioner OETTINGER Günther	

Key events			
31/05/2018	Commission draft budget published	COM(2018)0361	Summary
03/07/2018	Draft budget approved by Council		
29/08/2018	Vote in committee		
03/09/2018	Council position on draft budget published	11738/2018	Summary
04/09/2018	Decision by committee, without report		
04/09/2018	Budgetary report tabled for plenary	A8-0273/2018	Summary

11/09/2018	Results of vote in Parliament		
11/09/2018	Decision by Parliament	T8-0322/2018	Summary
13/09/2018	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
24/10/2018	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2018/2082(BUD)
Procedure type	BUD - Budgetary procedure
Procedure subtype	Budget
	See also 2018/2078(BUD)
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 159
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	BUDG/8/13422

Documentation gateway

Commission draft budget	COM(2018)0361	31/05/2018	EC	Summary
Committee draft report	PE623.617	12/06/2018	EP	
Council position on draft budget	11738/2018	04/09/2018	CSL	Summary
Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A8-0273/2018	04/09/2018	EP	Summary
Budgetary text adopted by Parliament	T8-0322/2018	11/09/2018	EP	Summary

Final act

Budget 2018/1577
[OJ L 266 24.10.2018, p. 0001](#) Summary

Amending budget 4/2018: mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland

PURPOSE: presentation of draft amending budget No 4 to the 2018 budget accompanying the proposal to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund to assist Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland.

CONTENT: draft amending budget (DAB) No 4 for the year 2018 accompanies the [proposal](#) to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) to provide assistance to Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland following natural disasters that took place in these Member States in the course of 2017:

- Bulgaria: flooding caused by unusual intense rainfall and violent storms in the south-eastern part of the country (25 and 26 October 2017);
- Greece: earthquake with a magnitude of 6.6 on the Richter scale affecting the South Aegean region between Bodrum (Turkey) and the island of Kos (Greece) followed by a multitude of aftershocks (20 July 2017);
- Lithuania: flooding caused by continuous rainfall during the summer and autumn 2017;
- Poland: exceptionally violent storms and heavy rainfall (between 9 and 12 August 2017).

DAB No 4/2018 proposes to enter the necessary appropriations in the general budget 2018, both in commitments and payments.

On the basis of the applications from Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland, the calculation of the financial contribution from the EUSF, based on the estimate of total direct damages, is set at EUR 33 992 206.

The Commission proposes to amend the budget 2018 by increasing budget line 13 06 01 'Assistance to Member States in the event of a major natural disaster with serious repercussions on living conditions, the natural environment or the economy' by EUR 33 992 206 both in

commitment and payment appropriations.

Amending budget 4/2018: mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland

On 31 May 2018, the Commission submitted to the Council draft amending budget (DAB) No 4 to the general budget for 2018 regarding the mobilisation of the the EU Solidarity Fund for a total amount of EUR 33 992 206 in commitment and payment appropriations.

The objective of this proposal is to finance the mobilisation of the EU Solidarity Fund to provide financial assistance to Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland in response to natural disasters that hit those countries in 2017.

The corresponding appropriations are to be recorded under Article 13 06 01 (EU Solidarity Fund - Assistance to Member States in the event of a major natural disaster with serious repercussions on living conditions, the natural environment or the economy).

On 4 September 2018, the Council adopted its position on DAB No 4 to the general budget for 2018, the text of which is set out in the technical annex to the explanatory memorandum of its position on the draft amending budget (see [Council document](#)).

Amending budget 4/2018: mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland

The Committee on Budgets adopted the report by Siegfried MUREŞAN (EPP, RO) on the Council position on Draft amending budget No 4/2018 of the European Union for the financial year 2018 accompanying the proposal to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland.

The committee recommended that the European Parliament approve the Council's position on draft amending budget No 4/2018.

Draft amending budget No 4/2018 covers the proposed mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Bulgaria and Lithuania for the floods, to Greece for the earthquakes in Kos, as well as to Poland for the storms that occurred in the course of 2017,

The Commission consequently proposes to amend the 2018 budget and to increase budget line 13 06 01 'Assistance to Member States in the event of a major natural disaster with serious repercussions on living conditions, the natural environment or the economy' by EUR 33 992 206 both in commitment and payment appropriations.

Amending budget 4/2018: mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland

The European Parliament adopted by 654 votes to 26, with 3 abstentions, a resolution on the Council's position on Draft amending budget No 4/2018 of the European Union for the financial year 2018 accompanying the [proposal](#) to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund to assist Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland.

Parliament approved the Council's position on Draft amending budget (DAB) No 4/2018.

The PBR concerns the proposal to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund to assist Bulgaria and Lithuania due to floods, Greece due to the earthquakes in Kos and Poland following the storms in 2017. It aims to increase the budget line 13 06 01 Assistance to Member States in the event of a major natural disaster with serious repercussions on living conditions, the natural environment and the economy by an amount of EUR 33 992 206, both in commitment appropriations and in payment appropriations.

Amending budget 4/2018: mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland

PURPOSE: definitive adoption (EU, Euratom) 2018/1577 of amending budget No 4 of the European Union for the financial year 2018, accompanying the proposal to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund to assist Bulgaria, Greece, Lithuania and Poland.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Definitive adoption (EU, Euratom) 2017/2121 of Draft amending budget No 4 to the general budget 2018.

CONTENT: the European Parliament notes that Amending Budget No 4 of the European Union for the financial year 2018 has been definitively adopted.

The amending budget concerns the proposal to mobilise the European Union Solidarity Fund to assist Bulgaria and Lithuania due to floods, Greece due to the earthquakes in Kos and Poland following the storms in 2017. It aims to reinforce budget line 13 06 01 "Assistance to Member States in the event of major natural disasters with serious repercussions on living conditions, the natural environment and the economy" by an amount of EUR 33 992 206, both in commitment appropriations and in payment appropriations.