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Basic information		
DEC - Discharge procedure	<a href="#">2019/2067(DEC)</a>	Procedure completed
2018 discharge: European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (EUROFOUND)		
Subject 8.70.03.08 2018 discharge		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 <a href="#">Budgetary Control</a>	 <a href="#">BRUDZIŃSKI Joachim Stanisław</a> Shadow rapporteur	07/10/2019
		 <a href="#">NOVAKOV Andrey</a>	
		 <a href="#">WOLTERS Lara</a>	
		 <a href="#">CHASTEL Olivier</a>	
		 <a href="#">EICKHOUT Bas</a>	
		 <a href="#">KUHS Joachim</a>	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	 <a href="#">Employment and Social Affairs</a>	 <a href="#">ZDECHOVSKÝ Tomáš</a>	18/09/2019
European Commission	Commission DG <a href="#">Budget</a>	Commissioner OETTINGER Günther	

Key events			
27/06/2019	Non-legislative basic document published	<a href="#">COM(2019)0316</a>	
18/09/2019	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
19/02/2020	Vote in committee		

03/03/2020	Committee report tabled for plenary	<a href="#">A9-0051/2020</a>	
13/05/2020	Results of vote in Parliament		
13/05/2020	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T9-0100/2020</a>	Summary
13/05/2020	End of procedure in Parliament		
11/12/2020	Final act published in Official Journal		

#### Technical information

Procedure reference	2019/2067(DEC)
Procedure type	DEC - Discharge procedure
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	CONT/9/00866

#### Documentation gateway

Non-legislative basic document		<a href="#">COM(2019)0316</a>	27/06/2019	EC	
Committee draft report		<a href="#">PE639.878</a>	05/12/2019	EP	
Committee opinion	EMPL	<a href="#">PE642.929</a>	23/01/2020	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee		<a href="#">PE645.051</a>	31/01/2020	EP	
Supplementary non-legislative basic document		<a href="#">05761/2020</a>	06/02/2020	CSL	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		<a href="#">A9-0051/2020</a>	03/03/2020	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		<a href="#">T9-0100/2020</a>	13/05/2020	EP	Summary

#### Final act

Budget 2020/1919  
[OJ L 417 11.12.2020, p. 0256](#)

## 2018 discharge: European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (EUROFOUND)

The European Parliament decided to grant discharge to the Executive Director of the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound) for the financial year 2018 and to approve the closure of the accounts for the financial year in question.

Noting that the Court of Auditors has stated that it has obtained reasonable assurances that the Foundations annual accounts for the financial year 2018 are reliable and that the underlying transactions are legal and regular, Parliament adopted by 466 votes to 223 with 4 abstentions, a resolution containing a series of recommendations, which form an integral part of the decision on discharge and which add to the general recommendations set out in the [resolution](#) on performance, financial management and control of EU agencies:

#### Foundations financial statements

The final budget of Eurofound for the financial year 2018 was EUR 20 760 000 representing an increase of 1.37 % compared to 2017.

#### Budget and financial management

Budget monitoring efforts during the financial year 2018 resulted in a budget implementation rate of 99.58 %, representing a slight decrease of 0.42 % compared to 2017. The payment appropriations execution rate was 82.70 %, representing an increase of 2 % compared to 2017.

#### Other observations

Members also made a series of observations regarding procurement, staff policy and internal controls.

In particular, they noted that:

- the delivery of work programme outputs planned for 2018 were 83 % achieved (48 of 58 outputs), the Foundation contributed to 236 policy development events (41 % of them at Union level);
- on 31 December 2018, the establishment plan was 96.70 % executed, with 88 officials or temporary agents appointed out of 91 authorised under the Union budget;
- gender balance was achieved among senior managers, however that there is no gender balance at management board level (97 men and 64 women);
- on procurement, the Foundation did not systematically check prices and uplifts charged with the suppliers quotes and invoices issued to the framework contractor for the acquisition of software licences;
- the Foundation adopted a revised internal control framework marking a shift from a compliance-based to a principles-based process.