








Procedure file

Basic information		
DEC - Discharge procedure	2023/2161(DEC)	Procedure completed, awaiting publication in Official Journal
2022 discharge: Euratom Supply Agency (ESA)		
Subject 8.70.03.12 2022 discharge		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	CONT Budgetary Control	 SARVAMAA Petri Shadow rapporteur  RÓNAI Sándor  CSEH Katalin  EICKHOUT Bas  KUHS Joachim  CZARNECKI Ryszard  OMARJEE Younous	14/06/2023
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	ITRE Industry, Research and Energy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
European Commission	Commission DG Budget	Commissioner HAHN Johannes	

Key events			
28/06/2023	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2023)0391	
12/09/2023	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
04/03/2024	Vote in committee		
12/03/2024	Committee report tabled for plenary	A9-0108/2024	

10/04/2024	Debate in Parliament		
11/04/2024	Decision by Parliament	T9-0259/2024	Summary

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2023/2161(DEC)
Procedure type	DEC - Discharge procedure
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 159
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed, awaiting publication in Official Journal
Committee dossier	CONT/9/12960

Documentation gateway				
Non-legislative basic document		COM(2023)0391	28/06/2023	EC
Court of Auditors: opinion, report		N9-0096/2023 OJ C 000 27.10.2023, p. 0000	26/10/2023	CofA
Committee draft report		PE753.529	16/01/2024	EP
Amendments tabled in committee		PE757.231	09/02/2024	EP
Supplementary non-legislative basic document		06180/2024	12/03/2024	CSL
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A9-0108/2024	12/03/2024	EP
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T9-0259/2024	11/04/2024	EP Summary

2022 discharge: Euratom Supply Agency (ESA)

The European Parliament decided to grant discharge to the Acting Director General of the Euratom Supply Agency (ESA) for the financial year 2022 and to approve the closure of the accounts for that year.

Noting that the Court of Auditors stated that it had obtained reasonable assurance that the Agency's annual accounts for the financial year 2022 were reliable and that the underlying transactions were legal and regular, Parliament adopted, by 577 votes to 16 with 13 abstentions, a resolution containing a series of recommendations which form an integral part of the discharge decision and which complement the general recommendations contained in the [resolution](#) on the performance, financial management and control of EU agencies.

Agencys financial statements

The Agency's final budget for the year 2022 was EUR 167 000, representing a decrease of 20.48 % compared to 2021 (EUR 210 000).

Budgetary and financial management

Budget monitoring efforts during the financial year 2022 resulted in the implementation of the current year commitment appropriation rate of 96.88 % representing a slight decrease of 2.88 % compared to 2021. The execution of current year payment appropriation rate was 34.81 % representing a decrease of 16.4 % compared to 2021.

A large part of the Agencys expenses are covered by the Commission, including the salaries calculated in EUR 1 937 817, the premises and IT expenses calculated in EUR 467 708 and the nuclear observatory and ESA management of information (NOEMI) IT system calculated in EUR 84 644.

Other observations

Parliament also made a series of observations concerning staff policy and public procurement.

In particular, it noted that:

- 2022 was marked by the Russian invasion of Ukraine, raising EU concerns for the energy security in general, and in particular undermining the Unions security of supply for nuclear materials and fuel and aggravating dependence issues;
- the Agency should report on how it has reduced the Unions dependence on Russian nuclear fuel since 2022 in particular since the beginning of the war when the nuclear industry was exempted from sanctions and how the reduction and diversification affected the costs;
- the Agencys efforts were welcomed to cooperate with partners and stakeholders to strengthen the security of supply of nuclear materials in view of the illegal and unprovoked Russia invasion to Ukraine;

- on 31 December 2022, the establishment plan was 100 % filled with 17 permanent posts, 8 administrators, 7 assistant posts and 2 assistant and secretarial posts;
- the Agency should improve its public procurement procedures, ensuring full compliance with the applicable rules, so that they achieve the best possible value for money;
- the Agency reinforced the access security to its premises, all members of staff and all external contractors hold security clearance.