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Basic information		
DEC - Discharge procedure	2023/2157(DEC)	Procedure completed, awaiting publication in Official Journal
2022 discharge: European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)		
Subject 8.70.03.12 2022 discharge		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 Budgetary Control	 SARVAMAA Petri	14/06/2023
		Shadow rapporteur	
		 RÓNAI Sándor	
		 STRUGARIU Ramona	
		 EICKHOUT Bas	
		 KUHS Joachim	
		 CZARNECKI Ryszard	
		 OMARJEE Younous	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	 Environment, Public Health and Food Safety	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	 Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs		13/11/2023
		 ZDECHOVSKÝ Tomáš	
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	A9-0104/2024	
10/04/2024	Debate in Parliament		
11/04/2024	Decision by Parliament	T9-0241/2024	Summary

Technical information

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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		PE753.525	09/01/2024	EP	
Committee opinion	LIBE	PE756.194	25/01/2024	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE757.227	12/02/2024	EP	
Supplementary non-legislative basic document		06180/2024	12/03/2024	CSL	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A9-0104/2024	12/03/2024	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T9-0241/2024	11/04/2024	EP	Summary

2022 discharge: European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)

The European Parliament decided to grant discharge to the Director of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) 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 Centre's annual accounts for the financial year 2022 were reliable and that the underlying transactions were legal and regular, Parliament adopted, by 534 votes to 46 with 22 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.

Centres financial statements

The EMCDDA's final budget for 2022 was EUR 18 893 136, representing a decrease of 0.71 % compared to 2021.

Budgetary and financial management

Parliament noted with satisfaction that the budget monitoring efforts during the financial year 2022 resulted in a budget implementation rate of 98.78 % (a decrease of 1.22 % compared to 2021). The payment appropriations execution rate was 96.65 %, representing a slight increase of 0.30 % compared to 2021. The implementation rate of payment appropriations carried over from 2021 to 2022 was 88.98 %.

Other observations

Parliament also made a series of observations concerning performance, staff policy and internal control.

In particular, it noted that:

- the Centre defined 65 annual targets, of which 57 targets (87 %) were achieved in 2022;

- for the 2022 work programme, the Centre achieved 152 out of 188 of the outputs/results (81 %), partially achieved 12 % of them (i.e. 23 outputs/results, which were delayed and were in progress at the end of 2022), while 12 results (6 %) were not implemented and two results were not applicable. Most of the delays or cancellations of activities in 2022 were caused by a lack of resources. Therefore, for the implementation of its new mandate (expected to apply from 2024), in 2022 the Centre started preparations which involved key resources and required some adjustments in some of its previously planned activities;
- in 2022, the Centre released a new rapid mixed-method trend spotter study to assess the initial service response to the needs of displaced Ukrainians in neighbouring countries within the Union;
- the Centre participated in drug related training events and capacity building, managing to transfer its knowledge to almost 950 professionals working in the drug field, including law enforcement officers and policymakers;
- the Centre implemented several projects designed to enhance the environmental performance, by improving the electricity consumption, installing solar power cells on the roof of the building, as well as installing electric car-sharing stations with a view to replacing the Centres vehicle fleet with electric or hybrid vehicles;
- on 31 December 2022, the establishment plan was 97 % implemented, with six officials and 68 temporary agents appointed out of seven officials and 69 temporary agents authorised under the Union budget (76 authorised posts in 2022, same as in 2021);
- the Centre continued its ongoing efforts to secure transparency, prevent and manage conflicts of interest, and provide whistleblower protection. Moreover, it did not meet lobbyists in 2022;
- the result of the 2022 assessment of the effectiveness of the Centres internal control systems stated that all components are present and functioning.