

Amending budget 6/2008: executive agencies (EACEA, PHEA, TENT-T EA); Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCH JU); Eurojust; Competitiveness and Innovation Programme (CIP)

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On 2 July 2008 the Commission forwarded to the Council preliminary draft amending budget (PDAB) No 6 to the general budget for 2008, which contains the following elements:

- an increase for line 01 04 04 – Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme – Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme of EUR 3.9 million in commitment appropriations, anticipating the commitment appropriations planned for 2010 and 2011, to meet the requests for funding from the European Investment Fund which arrived earlier and were higher than expected;
- an increase of EUR 2.24 million in commitment appropriations to partially cover the rent and costs relating to the renting of the new "ARC" building for Eurojust;
- the changes to the establishment plan of the 3 executive agencies (Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA), Executive Agency for the Public Health Programme (PHEA) which is becoming the Executive Agency for Health and Consumers and the Trans-European Transport Network Executive Agency). The saving of EUR 1 318 million resulting from this reduction is transferred as an internal transfer to budget item 06 01 04 04 Financial support for projects of common interest in the trans-European transport network – Expenditure on administrative management;
- the creation of the necessary budgetary structure (a new item 08 01 04 41 and a new article 08 05 02) to accommodate the Joint Technology Initiative Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking (FCH) which is the 5th joint undertaking created in implementation of the 7th Research Framework Programme, following the adoption of Council Regulation (EC) No 521/2008. Funding under the 7th Research Framework Programme amounts to EUR 30 million in commitment appropriations and EUR 1.9 million in payment appropriations.

On 15 September 2008, the Council established draft amending budget No 6 for 2008, **as proposed by the Commission in its PDAB No 6**. The draft is set out in the technical annex to this statement of reasons (see Council doc. 12984/08 ADD 1).