

2007 discharge: European Environment Agency EEA

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PURPOSE: to present the final accounts of the European Environment Agency (EEA) for the financial year 2007.

CONTENT: this document sets out a detailed account of the implementation of the European Environment Agency's budget for the financial year 2007. It notes that the final budget amounts to EUR 35.1 million in 2007 (compared to EUR 37.1 million in 2006), representing a 82% Community subsidy.

As regards the staffing policy, the Agency, whose head office is in Copenhagen (Denmark), officially set out 116 posts in its establishment plan. 111 of these posts are currently occupied with 55 other posts (contract agents and seconded national experts) assigned to operational, administrative and mixed tasks.

In 2007, the Agency's main activities concentrated on the following:

- launch of the report on 'Europe's environment: the fourth assessment' at Pan-European Environment Ministers Conference;
- launch of Environmental Technology Atlas;
- launch of Water Information System for Europe (WISE);
- launch of 'Our Arctic Challenge' film;
- publication of reports on, inter alia, climate change costs, greenhouse gas emission trends and projections, air quality, air emissions, sustainable consumption and production, biodiversity indicators and waste management;
- launch of new Topic Centres on Water, Land use and spatial information, and air and climate change;
- participation in conferences on 'Beyond GDP' and Tax reform.

The complete version of the final accounts may be found at the following address: <http://www.eea.europa.eu/about-us/documents/>