

# 2010 discharge: European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA)

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**PURPOSE:** presentation of the EU Court of Auditors' report on the annual accounts of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work, together with the Agency's reply.

**CONTENT:** in accordance with the tasks conferred on the Court of Auditors by the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, the Court presents to the European Parliament and to the Council, in the context of the discharge procedure, a Statement of Assurance as to the reliability of the annual accounts of each institution, body or agency of the EU, and the legality and regularity of the transactions underlying them, on the basis of an independent external audit.

This audit concerned, amongst others, the annual accounts of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work.

In the Court's opinion, the **Agency's Annual Accounts fairly present, in all material respects, its financial position as of 31 December 2010** and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with the provisions of its Financial Regulation.

The Court also considers that the **transactions underlying the annual accounts** of the Agency for the financial year ended 31 December 2010 are, in all material respects, **legal and regular**.

The report confirms that the Agency's 2010 budget amounted to EUR 15.5 million and that the number of staff employed by the Agency at the end of the year was 67.

It should be noted that the report makes no observations on the budgetary and financial management of the Agency.

Lastly, the Court of Auditors' report contains a **summary of the Agency's activities** in 2010. This is focused on the following:

- managing the European Risk Observatory: dissemination of results of the European Survey of Enterprises on New and Emerging Risks (Esener): report and summary on the management of psychosocial risks; publications on various themes, especially a report on musculoskeletal disorders; seminars;
- working environment information: sharing knowledge on good practice at workplace level ; publication of various reports; piloting of the development and diffusion model for the 'online interactive risk assessment tool';
- communications, multilingual web-based and printed information campaigns on health and safety at work;
- networking and coordination : integration of EFTA-EEA States in Agency network; further development of focal points network; liaison with European and international organisations.