Amending budget 2/2013: increase of revenue and payment appropriations

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The Irish Presidency held an **exchange of views** on the draft amending budget no 2 for 2013 which seeks to increase the 2013 EU budget by EUR 11.2 billion.

The Council expressed its willingness to work urgently and constructively on the Commission proposal with a view to reaching agreement in order to meet clearly justified payment needs. The Council will also follow very carefully the evolution of the budget through the year and take any necessary further steps to ensure that the EU can fulfil its obligations.

Draft amending budget no 2 for 2013 will be examined in parallel by Coreper and is due to be discussed by the Council for Economic and Financial Affairs on 14 May 2013.