

2012 discharge: European Chemicals Agency (ECHA)

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PURPOSE: presentation by the Commission of the consolidated annual accounts of the European Union for the financial year 2012, as part of the 2012 discharge procedure.

Analysis of the accounts of the **European Chemicals Agency (ECHA)**.

CONTENT: this Commission document sets out the consolidated annual accounts of the European Union for the financial year 2012 as prepared on the basis of the information presented by the institutions, organisations and bodies of the EU, in accordance with Article 129 (2) of the Financial Regulation applicable to the EU's General Budget, including the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA).

In 2012, the tasks and budget of this agency were as follows:

description of ECHA's tasks: ECHA, located in Helsinki, was set up by [Regulation \(EC\) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council](#) and its main tasks are to : (i) help businesses comply with the legislation in force; (ii) promote the safe use of chemicals; (iii) provide information on chemicals; (iv) assess hazardous substances;

ECHA's budget for the 2012 financial year: the Agency's budget for 2012, as presented in the Commission document on the consolidated annual accounts of the European Union, gives the following figures:

§ **Commitment appropriations :**

- **committed** : EUR 99 million;
- **paid** : EUR 96 million;
- **carried-over** : 0.

§ **Payment appropriations :**

- **committed** : EUR 113 million;
- **paid** : EUR 94 million;
- **carried-over** : EUR 15 million.

Please refer also to the [final accounts of the ECHA](#).