

2012 discharge: European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA)

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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 Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA)**.

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 Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA).

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

- **description of ESMA's tasks:** ESMA, which is located in Frankfurt, was set up by [Regulation \(EU\) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council](#) with a view to protecting the public interest by contributing to the short, medium and long-term stability and efficiency of the financial system for the economy of the European Union, its citizens and its companies;
- **ESMA's budget for the 2012 financial year:** ESMA'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 20 million;
- **paid** : EUR 17 million;
- **carried-over** : 0.

§ **Payment appropriations :**

- **committed** : EUR 22 million;
- **paid** : EUR 15 million;
- **carried-over** : EUR 4 million.

Please refer also to the [final accounts of the Securities and Market Authority](#)