2017 discharge: European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)

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PURPOSE: presentation of the EU Court of Auditors' report on the annual accounts of the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control for the year 2017, together with the Centre's reply.

CONTENT: the Court of Auditors carried out the audit on the annual accounts of the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC).

In brief, the Centre's main tasks are to collect and disseminate data on the prevention and control of human diseases and to provide scientific opinions on this subject. It is also required to coordinate the European network of bodies operating in this field.

Statement of assurance and reliability of the accounts

The Court considered that:

- the Centre's annual accounts present fairly, in all material respects, its financial position as at 31 December 2017 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with the provisions of its Financial Regulation and the accounting rules adopted by the Commission's accounting officer;

- the transactions underlying the annual accounts for the year ended 31 December 2017 are legal and regular in all material respects.

No specific comments were made as regards the Authority's budgetary and financial management.

The Court of Auditors' report contains a summary of the Centre's key figures in 2017:

Budget

EUR 58 million.

Staff

279 including officials, temporary and contract staff and seconded national experts.