

Amending budget 5/2024: adjustment in payment appropriations, update of revenues and other technical updates

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The Council adopted its position on DAB No 5 to the general budget for 2024, as set out in this [technical annex](#).

As a reminder, the draft amending budget (DAB) No 5 to the general budget for 2024 concerns adjustments in payment appropriations, an update of revenues and other technical updates.

Regarding the **expenditure side of the budget**, the main changes concern the following elements:

(1) an increase of the level of payment appropriations for the **European Regional Development Fund** (ERDF) for a total amount of EUR 2.9 billion, including in relation to the reprogramming related to the Strategic Technologies for Europe Platform (STEP);

(2) an update of the needs for the **Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements** (SFPAs), taking into account that several agreements and the related protocols will not be concluded in 2024;

(3) an increase of appropriations, linked to the most recent estimates for the update of **remuneration**, as follows:

(a) under heading 7: an increase for the level of the administrative expenditure for the Committee of the Regions by EUR 1.3 million; an increase for the pensions of all institutions by EUR 67.2 million;

(b) outside heading 7: an increase of the EU contribution to several decentralised agencies by EUR 12.1 million.

(4) an adjustment of the EU contribution to several **decentralised agencies** linked to implementation or other specific reasons, as follows:

(a) an increase of the EU contribution to the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL) by EUR 1 million in commitment appropriations to reinforce its cybersecurity;

(b) an increase of the EU contribution to the European Union Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice (eu-LISA) by EUR 17 million in commitment appropriations;

(c) a decrease of the commitment appropriations allocated to the Anti-Money Laundering Authority (AMLA);

(d) a return of EUR 2.8 million in commitment appropriations and payment appropriations to the LIFE programme. Given the delays in the adoption of the Zero Pollution Package, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) and the European Environment Agency (EEA) will not need the corresponding appropriations;

(5) the introduction of **machine translation** has led to significant savings in some operations of the Publication Office, which allow the reduction of the level of commitment appropriations of the relevant budget line.

Overall, the net impact of this DAB on expenditure amounts to an increase of **EUR 44.5 million** in commitment appropriations and **EUR 2 954.8 million** in payment appropriations.

On the **revenue side**, this DAB incorporates EUR 2 815 million of definitive fines and penalty payments paid until 30 September 2024.

As a result, the overall impact on the revenue side is a **net increase in the GNI contributions of EUR 139.9 million**.