Basic information

2014/2020(INI) INI - Own-initiative procedure	Procedure completed
Implementing measures for the system of own resources of the European Union **Subject** 8.70.01 Financing of the budget, own resources	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	DEHAENE Jean-Luc (PPE) JENSEN Anne E. (ALDE)	28/09/2011 28/09/2011
	Shadow rapporteur HAUG Jutta (S&D) TRÜPEL Helga (Verts/ALE) ASHWORTH Richard (ECR) KLUTE Jürgen (GUE/NGL) MORGANTI Claudio (EFD)	

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
CONT Budgetary Control	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
REGI Regional Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Budget	LEWANDOWSKI Janusz

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
01/04/2014	Vote in committee		
07/04/2014	Committee report tabled for plenary	A7-0270/2014	Summary
16/04/2014	Decision by Parliament	T7-0434/2014	Summary
16/04/2014	Results of vote in Parliament		
16/04/2014	Debate in Parliament		
16/04/2014	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2014/2020(INI)
Procedure type	INI - Own-initiative procedure
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 107-p2
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	BUDG/7/15311

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE529.838	21/02/2014	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE530.056	11/03/2014	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A7-0270/2014	07/04/2014	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T7-0434/2014	16/04/2014	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	05600/2014	12/02/2014	

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	COM(2011)0511	29/06/2011	
Document attached to the procedure	COM(2011)0740	09/11/2011	

National parliaments

Document type	Parliament /Chamber	Reference	Date	Summary
Contribution	RO_CHAMBER	COM(2011)0740	13/01/2012	
Contribution	PT_PARLIAMENT	COM(2011)0740	07/06/2012	

Implementing measures for the system of own resources of the European Union

2014/2020(INI) - 16/04/2014 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 362 votes to 80, with 10 abstentions, a resolution on the implementing measures for the system of own resources of the European Union.

Parliament recalled that it has continuously called for the financing of the EU budget to return to a genuine system of own resources, as stipulated in the Treaty. From its point of view, national contributions to the EU budget, based on GNI, which amount nowadays to around 74% of total EU revenue, cannot be considered as genuine own resources as they simply constitute transfers from national treasuries to the EU budget. The VAT-based resource, which represents around 11% of total EU revenue, has developed in such way that it is also perceived as a national contribution to the EU budget.

Due to austerity measures, Member States are reluctant to increase their contributions to the EU budget, despite the undisputed benefits they derive from EU budget-funded programmes. Under these conditions, Members considered that a **system of direct own resources for the EU is the only viable solution**.

Parliament welcomed the **Council's agreement to lay down implementing measures for the Union's own resources** but considered it regrettable, however, that the Council has decided to transfer the provisions related to the calculation of the GNI resources back to the Own Resources Decision.

Parliament **deplored the fact that the Council has not been able to make any progress on the reform of the own resources system on the basis of the legislative proposals put forward by the Commission in 2011**. It has consistently manifested its support for the Commission proposals, which – by reducing the share of national contributions to the EU budget to a maximum of 40%, abolishing the current purely statistical VAT-based contribution and replacing it by a genuine VAT-based EU resource, creating one new and genuine own resource and replacing all rebates and correction mechanisms by a system of lump sums for the period 2014-2020 – took a step in the right direction.

Parliament maintained its **call for reform of the own resources system of the European Union** in order to make it simple, transparent, fair, visible and understandable to EU citizens. It placed **high expectations on the work of the High-Level Group on Own Resources**, which it believes offers a unique opportunity to overcome the current blockage of the reform of the system of own resources.

The High-Level Group on Own Resources aims to produce a first assessment of the current system's shortcomings by the end of 2014, with a final outcome in 2016 to be assessed at an interinstitutional conference with the participation of national parliaments. Parliament expected that the High-Level Group will still **comply with the objectives and the calendar set out** in the joint declaration establishing the High-Level Group on Own Resources.

Implementing measures for the system of own resources of the European Union

2014/2020(INI) - 07/04/2014 - Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading

The Committee on Budgets adopted an own-initiative report by Jean-Luc DEHAENE (EPP, BE) and Anne E. JENSEN (ADLE, DK) on implementing measures for the system of own resources of the European Union.

Members recalled that Parliament has continuously called for the financing of the EU budget to return to a genuine system of own resources, as stipulated in the Treaty. From their point of view, national contributions to the EU budget, based on GNI, which amount nowadays to around 74 % of total EU revenue, cannot be considered as genuine own resources as they simply constitute transfers from national treasuries to the EU budget.

Members welcomed the **Council's agreement to lay down implementing measures for the Union's own resources** as provided for in the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. They considered it regrettable, however, that the Council has decided to transfer the provisions related to the calculation of the GNI resources back to the Own Resources Decision.

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Members maintained its **call for reform of the own resources system of the European Union** in order to make it simple, transparent, fair, visible and understandable to EU citizens.

Lastly, they placed **high expectations on the work of the High-Level Group on Own Resources**, which it believes offers a unique opportunity to overcome the current blockage of the reform of the system of own resources.

Implementing measures for the system of own resources of the European Union

2014/2020(INI) - 27/01/2012

The Council **discussed the main priorities and the budgetary framework** including the overall amounts presented in the Commission's proposals for the EU's multiannual financial framework (MFF) for the 2014-2020 period. The debate enabled a clearer picture to be obtained of the member states' positions on the main issues and of the state of negotiations. It also provided guidance to the presidency and notably indicated the areas where it could face difficulties in finding common ground.

During this debate, several delegations highlighted a need for **reforming the EU's own resources system**.