Basic information

2021/2129(DEC) DEC - Discharge procedure	Procedure completed
2020 discharge: European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) **Subject** 8.70.03.10 2020 discharge	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
CONT Budgetary Control	ZDECHOVSKÝ Tomáš (EPP)	28/07/2021
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Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
FEMM Women's Rights and Gender Equality	RAFAELA Samira (Renew)	25/01/2021

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Budget	HAHN Johannes

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
30/06/2021	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2021)0381	
14/09/2021	Committee referral announced in Parliament		

31/03/2022	Vote in committee		
06/04/2022	Committee report tabled for plenary	A9-0091/2022	
04/05/2022	Decision by Parliament	T9-0177/2022	Summary
04/05/2022	Debate in Parliament		
05/10/2022	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2021/2129(DEC)
Procedure type	DEC - Discharge procedure
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	CONT/9/06743

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE698.970	14/01/2022	
Committee opinion	FEMM	PE700.423	07/02/2022	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE704.730	02/03/2022	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A9-0091/2022	06/04/2022	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T9-0177/2022	04/05/2022	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Supplementary non-legislative basic document	06003/2022	16/02/2022	

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Non-legislative basic document	COM(2021)0381	30/06/2021	

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
CofA	Court of Auditors: opinion, report	N9-0044/2022 OJ C 439 29.10.2021, p. 0003	29/10/2021	

Final act

Budget 2022/1755
OJ L 258 05.10.2022, p. 0282

2020 discharge: European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE)

2021/2129(DEC) - 04/05/2022 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament decided to **grant discharge** to the Director of the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) for the financial year 2020 and to approve the closure of the accounts for that year.

Noting that the Court of Auditors stated that it had obtained reasonable assurance that the Institute's annual accounts for the financial year 2020 were reliable and that the underlying transactions were legal and regular, Parliament adopted, by 504 votes to 78 with 57 abstentions, a resolution containing a series of recommendations which form an integral part of the discharge decision and which complement the general recommendations contained in the resolution on the performance, financial management and control of EU agencies.

The Institute's financial statements

The Institute's final budget for the financial year 2020 amounted to EUR 7 749 900, representing a decrease of 1.24 % compared to 2019.

Budgetary and financial management

The budget monitoring efforts during the financial year 2020 resulted in a budget implementation rate of 97.75 %, representing a decrease of 1.21 % compared to 2019. The payment appropriations execution rate was 74.82 %, representing a decrease of 7.68% compared to 2019. Parliament noted an increase in the Institute’s carry-over operating expenditure to 49.49 % in 2020 (compared to 28.01 % in 2019).

Other observations

Parliament also made a series of observations concerning performance, staff policy, public procurement and internal controls and Covid-19.

In particular, it noted that:

- the Institute published a step-by-step gender-budgeting toolkit in 2020, which is destined to help those working with Union Funds to integrate gender equality into their programmes;

- on 31 December 2020, the establishment plan was 100 % executed, with 27 temporary agents appointed out of 27 temporary agents authorised under the Union budget (compared with 27 authorised posts in 2019). Men are again underrepresented in senior management;

- 47 administrative procurement procedures and 61 operational procurement procedures were completed in 2020;

- the Institute reprioritised and reorganised its activities to mitigate the risks on business continuity and staff well-being posed by the Covid-19 pandemic;

- Member States were supported during the pandemic in their effort to tackle violence against women;

- also in 2020, a new director took office.