Basic information

2021/2133(DEC) DEC - Discharge procedure	Procedure completed
2020 discharge: European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) **Subject** 8.70.03.10 2020 discharge	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
CONT Budgetary Control	ZDECHOVSKÝ Tomáš (EPP)	28/07/2021
	Shadow rapporteur CHINNICI Caterina (S&D) STRUGARIU Ramona (Renew) EICKHOUT Bas (Greens /EFA) CZARNECKI Ryszard (ECR) KUHS Joachim (ID) OMARJEE Younous (The Left)	

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
ENVI Environment, Public Health and Food Safety	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
LIBE Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	STRUGARIU Ramona (Renew)	26/10/2021

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		
07/04/2022	Committee report tabled for plenary	A9-0118/2022	
04/05/2022	Decision by Parliament	T9-0157/2022	Summary
04/05/2022	Debate in Parliament		
05/10/2022	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2021/2133(DEC)
Procedure type	DEC - Discharge procedure
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	CONT/9/06732

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE698.975	19/01/2022	
Committee opinion	LIBE	PE702.929	16/02/2022	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE704.734	02/03/2022	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A9-0118/2022	07/04/2022	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T9-0157/2022	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	

Additional information		
Source	**Document**	**Date**
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Meetings with interest representatives published in line with the Rules of Procedure

Rapporteurs, Shadow Rapporteurs and Committee Chairs

Transparency				
Name	**Role**	**Committee**	**Date**	**Interest representatives**
STRUGARIU Ramona	Shadow rapporteur	CONT	28/10/2021	EMCDDA

Final act
Budget 2022/1767 OJ L 258 05.10.2022, p. 0313

2020 discharge: European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)

2021/2133(DEC) - 04/05/2022 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament decided by 636 votes to 53, with 9 abstentions, to give discharge to the Director of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) 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 Centre's annual accounts for the financial year 2020 were reliable and that the underlying transactions were legal and regular, Parliament adopted, by 569 votes to 47 with 22 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.

Centre's financial statements

The EMCDDA's final budget for 2020 was EUR 18 048 883, representing a minimal decrease of 0.71 % compared to 2019.

Budgetary and financial management

Parliament welcomed the budget monitoring efforts made during the 2020 financial year, which resulted in a budget implementation rate of 100%, the same rate as in 2019. The payment appropriations execution rate was 94.73 %, representing a decrease of 3.56 % compared to the previous year.

Other observations

Members also made a series of observations concerning performance, staff, procurement and Covid-19.

In particular, they noted that:

- the Centre contributed to the development of the EU Agenda and Action Plan on Drugs 2021-2025;

- most of the Centre’s work in 2020 was dedicated to investigating the impact of Covid-19 on the drug situation in Europe and that the Centre launched twelve new resources in 2020, including special reports and web pages, in an effort to timely contribute with information and resources to the fight against the pandemic;

- on 31 December 2020, the establishment plan was 93.69 % implemented, with seven officials and 62 temporary agents appointed out of 10 officials and 66 temporary agents authorised under the Union budget;

- the Centre should rely as much as possible on permanent staff as opposed to external staff and interim workers. The Commission should ensure appropriate human resources allocations for that purpose;

- the lack of gender balance within senior management with two women and seven men and on its management board with 22 men and 10 women;

- the Centre concluded a service-level agreement in 2020 with the Commission’s Directorate-General for Informatics (DIGIT) for the provision of services relating to ICT procurement and e-procurement (e-Prior services);

- in terms of procurement execution, the 2020 procurement plan was put in place in line with the Centre’s 2020 management plan, and was successfully executed in close collaboration with all units;

- the Centre established a task force to coordinate the public health response to the pandemic in March 2020 after activating the Centre’s contingency management plan, and putting in place measures to ensure the safety of the staff and business continuity;

- the Centre has been actively monitoring its environmental performance and CO2 footprint. A considerable drop was noted for 2020 caused by a Covid-19 related reduction in missions and transport, as well as the Centre’s switch from to CO2 neutral electricity generated from renewable energy sources.