Basic information

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2021 discharge: European Training Foundation (ETF) **Subject** 8.70.03.11 2021 discharge	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
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Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
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European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
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Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
23/06/2022	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2022)0323	
13/09/2022	Committee referral announced in Parliament		

22/03/2023	Vote in committee		
12/04/2023	Committee report tabled for plenary	A9-0135/2023	
09/05/2023	Debate in Parliament		
10/05/2023	Decision by Parliament	T9-0157/2023	Summary
10/05/2023	Results of vote in Parliament		
29/09/2023	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2022/2116(DEC)
Procedure type	DEC - Discharge procedure
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	CONT/9/09885

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE737.554	20/01/2023	
Committee opinion	EMPL	PE736.609	24/01/2023	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE742.588	21/02/2023	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A9-0135/2023	12/04/2023	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T9-0157/2023	10/05/2023	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Supplementary non-legislative basic document	06248/2023	13/02/2023	

European Commission

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Non-legislative basic document	COM(2022)0323	23/06/2022	

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
CofA	Court of Auditors: opinion, report	N9-0002/2023 OJ C 412 27.10.2022, p. 0012	27/10/2022	

Additional information		
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Final act
Budget 2023/1916 OJ L 242 29.09.2023, p. 0394

2021 discharge: European Training Foundation (ETF)

2022/2116(DEC) - 10/05/2023 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament decided to **grant discharge** to the Director of the European Training Foundation (ETF) for the financial year 2021 and to approve the closure of the accounts for that year.

Noting that the Court of Auditors had stated that it had obtained reasonable assurance that the Agency's annual accounts for the financial year 2021 were reliable and that the underlying transactions were legal and regular, Parliament adopted, by 565 votes to 53 with 7 abstentions, a resolution containing a series of recommendations which form an integral part of the discharge decision and which complement the general recommendations set out in the resolution on the performance, financial management and control of EU agencies.

Foundation's financial statements

The Foundation's final budget for the year 2021 was EUR 21 402 739, representing an increase of 2.13 % compared to 2020.

Budgetary and financial management

Budget monitoring efforts during the financial year 2021 resulted in a high budget implementation rate of current year commitment appropriations of 99.91 %, representing a slight increase of 0.04 % compared to 2020. Payment appropriations execution rate was 86.23 %, representing a decrease of 9.43 % compared to 2020.

Other observations

Parliament also made a series of observations concerning performance, staff policy, public procurement and digitalisation.

In particular, it noted that:

- the Foundation’s work programme for 2021 was 95.58 % completed, the highest in the last five years, with a timely completion rate of 91.15 %;

- on 31 December 2021, the establishment plan was 102.3 % implemented, with 88 temporary agents appointed out of 86 temporary agents authorised under the Union budget (compared to 86 authorised posts in 2020);

- the Foundation is urged to consider with utmost priority geographical balance in its recruitment procedures and report any developments in this regard to the discharge authority;

- the e-submission of procurement tenders became the norm in the Foundation;

- the Foundation has accelerated the digitalisation of internal processes, such as human resources, financial workflows electronic signature, and procurement management, as well as external interaction, such as the use of online digital tools for exchanges, meetings;

- in 2021, the Foundation successfully engaged in media partnerships for a campaign on the future of work and on the future of learning, resonating with a wide public audience.