Basic information

2025/2149(DEC) DEC - Discharge procedure	Procedure completed
Discharge 2024: General budget of the EU - Court of Auditors **Subject** 8.70.03.14 2024 discharge	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
CONT Budgetary Control	TRIDICO Pasquale (The Left)	26/09/2025
	Shadow rapporteur CHINNICI Caterina (EPP) MOLNÁR Csaba (S&D) KNOTEK Ondřej (PfE) STURDZA Şerban Dimitrie (ECR) CHASTEL Olivier (Renew)	

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
AFET Foreign Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
SEDE Security and Defence	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
DEVE Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
INTA International Trade	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
BUDG Budgets	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

EMPL	Employment and Social Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
ENVI	Environment, Climate and Food Safety	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
SANT	Public Health	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
ITRE	Industry, Research and Energy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
IMCO	Internal Market and Consumer Protection	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
TRAN	Transport and Tourism	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
REGI	Regional Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
AGRI	Agriculture and Rural Development	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
PECH	Fisheries	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
CULT	Culture and Education	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
JURI	Legal Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
LIBE	Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
AFCO	Constitutional Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
FEMM	Women's Rights and Gender Equality	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner

Budget	SERAFIN Piotr

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
25/06/2025	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2025)0359	
09/09/2025	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
02/03/2026	Vote in committee		
24/03/2026	Committee report tabled for plenary	A10-0052/2026	
28/04/2026	Debate in Parliament		
29/04/2026	Decision by Parliament	T10-0129/2026	Summary
29/04/2026	Results of vote in Parliament		
10/09/2026	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2025/2149(DEC)
Procedure type	DEC - Discharge procedure
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	CONT/10/03434

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE778.062	16/12/2025	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE782.521	28/01/2026	
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A10-0052/2026	24/03/2026	
Text adopted by Parliament, single reading		T10-0129/2026	29/04/2026	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Supplementary non-legislative basic document	05749/2026	17/02/2026	

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Non-legislative basic document	COM(2025)0359	25/06/2025	

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

Final act
Budget 2026/1584 OJ OJ L 10.09.2026

Discharge 2024: General budget of the EU - Court of Auditors

2025/2149(DEC) - 29/04/2026 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament decided to **grant discharge** to the Secretary-General of the Court of Auditors discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the Court of Auditors for the financial year 2024, Section V - Court of Auditors.

In its resolution, adopted by 343 votes to 160, with 150 abstentions, Parliament made the following observations:

Budgetary and financial management

The overall budget of the Court for 2024 amounted to **EUR 185 655 890**, equivalent to an increase of 6.05 % from EUR 175 059 922 in 2023, mainly due to salary adjustments. For 2024, 89.50 % of appropriations (up from 88.50 % in 2023) were for its members and staff, while 10.50 % were for buildings, equipment and miscellaneous expenditure (down from 11.60 % in 2023).

The implementation rates for commitments and payments for 2024 remained high, almost the same as in 2023. The utilisation rate for appropriations stood at 97.30 % and payments represented 94.81 % of total commitments in 2024.

Internal management, performance and internal control

During 2024, the Court presented 2 annual reports, 3 specific annual reports, 28 special reports, 4 reviews and 3 opinions, totalling 40 items (down from 45 items in 2023).

Regarding the Court’s access to FENIX, the reporting tool on the RRF, Parliament deplored that access remains an open issue, with the Commission granting the Court partial access to only some of the FENIX modules, and the information contained therein not being updated in a timely manner. It welcomed a reported increase in the number of the Court’s users who have access to FENIX and supported, nevertheless, the Court’s request to the Commission to grant the Court full access as soon as possible.

Other observations

Parliament noted that:

- at the end of 2024, had **961 members of staff**. 54 % of the Court’s staff were women and 46 % were men. Parliament regretted that women represent only 30 % of the Court’s senior management, the same as in 2023;

- 13 cases of burnout were reported in 2024, up from 7 cases in 2023;

- the Court is still refusing to lift the immunity of its former President regarding the investigation on the misuse of funds;

- in 2024, the Court, jointly with the CJEU, invited the Commission to participate in an interinstitutional dialogue with a view to agreeing on a single system regarding the use of service cars to be applied horizontally, which would reduce confusion and increase transparency and efficiency in the use of public money;

- the Court strengthened its **AI governance**, with the setting up of the AI Advisory Committee and appointing an AI correspondent in 2024;

- although progress was made on **cybersecurity**, the Court experienced a cyber-attack, claimed by a pro-Russian group, that took down its public website, as part of a coordinated action to destabilise the European elections in 2024;

- despite improved access to European Investment Bank (EIB) documents and information, the Court lacks a mandate to audit operations financed with the EIB's own funds;

- the budget allocated for the **Court's communication** and promotional activities amounted to EUR 225 000 (that same as in 2023), with a utilisation rate of 92.32 % (up from 81.13 % in 2023) with most of the budget spent on media-monitoring services (EUR 80 000) and press actions (EUR 18 133.91).