

Basic information	
2026/0001(BUD) BUD - Budgetary procedure	Procedure completed
Mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund: application EGF/2025/006 BE/Audi – Belgium Subject 4.15.05 Industrial restructuring, job losses, redundancies, relocations, Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF) 8.70.48 2026 budget	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible		Rapporteur
	BUDG Budgets		ȘTEFĂNUȚĂ Nicolae (Greens/EFA)
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	Committee for opinion		Rapporteur for opinion
	EMPL Employment and Social Affairs		DANIELSSON Johan (S&D)
	REGI Regional Development		The committee decided not to give an opinion.
Council of the European Union			
European Commission	Commission DG		Commissioner
	Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion		MÎNZATU Roxana

Key events			

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
09/01/2026	Non-legislative basic document published	COM(2026)0002 	
19/01/2026	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
28/01/2026	Vote in committee		
29/01/2026	Budgetary report tabled for plenary	A10-0006/2026	
11/02/2026	Decision by Parliament	T10-0038/2026	Summary
11/02/2026	Results of vote in Parliament		
17/02/2026	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
17/02/2026	Draft budget approved by Council		
04/03/2026	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2026/0001(BUD)
Procedure type	BUD - Budgetary procedure
Procedure subtype	Mobilisation of funds
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	BUDG/10/04813

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE782.226	12/01/2026	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE782.325	19/01/2026	
Specific opinion	EMPL	PE782.314	28/01/2026	
Budgetary report tabled for plenary, 1st reading		A10-0006/2026	29/01/2026	
Budgetary text adopted by Parliament		T10-0038/2026	11/02/2026	Summary
European Commission				
Document type	Reference		Date	Summary
Non-legislative basic document	COM(2026)0002 		09/01/2026	

Additional information		

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	
Final act		
Decision 2026/0454 OJ OJ L 04.03.2026		Summary

Mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund: application EGF/2025/006 BE/Audi – Belgium

2026/0001(BUD) - 04/03/2026 - Final act

PURPOSE: To mobilise the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers in respect of redundancies at Audi Brussels S.A.: n.V. and five of its suppliers and downstream producers in Belgium, following an application from Belgium.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Decision (EU) 2026/454 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers following an application from Belgium – EGF/2025/006 BE/Audi.

CONTENT: The European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF) aims to demonstrate solidarity and promote decent and sustainable employment in the Union by providing support for workers made redundant and self-employed persons whose activity has ceased as a result of major restructuring events, and by assisting them in returning to decent and sustainable employment as soon as possible.

The annual allocation to the EGF is not to exceed EUR 30 million (in 2018 prices), as provided for in the relevant EU regulations.

On 18 September 2025, Belgium submitted an application for EGF support concerning redundancies at Audi Brussels S.A.: n.V. and five of its suppliers and downstream producers. The application was supplemented with additional information and was found to meet the conditions for a financial contribution from the EGF, as set out in Regulation (EU) 2021/691.

The EGF is therefore mobilised to provide a financial contribution of EUR 7 527 625 in commitment and payment appropriations in response to the application submitted by Belgium.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: The date of publication in the Official Journal of the European Union: 4 March 2026.

APPLICATION DATE: 17 February 2026.

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Mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund: application EGF/2025/006 BE/Audi – Belgium

2026/0001(BUD) - 11/02/2026 - Budgetary text adopted by Parliament

The European Parliament adopted by 593 votes to 55, with 9 abstentions, a resolution on the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Belgium in relation to displaced workers in the automobile sector.

Parliament approved the decision annexed to the resolution to mobilise the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF) an amount of **EUR 7 527 625 in commitment and payment appropriations** to assist Belgium following redundancies in Audi (Audi Brussels S.A.:n.V.) and five suppliers and dostream producers.

Parliament agreed with the Commission that the conditions set out in the EGF are met and that Belgium is entitled to a financial contribution of EUR 7 527 625, which represents 85% of the total cost of EUR 8 856 030, comprising expenditure for personalised services of EUR 8 738 968 and expenditure for preparatory, management, information and publicity, control and reporting activities of EUR 117 062.

Events leading to the displacements

Following low sales of the Q8 e-tron, the only model produced at Audi's plant in Brussels, the end of its production, initially planned for 2027, was brought forward to 2025. The production costs per vehicle at Audi BXL plant were higher than at other Audi plants. No other model was planned to be produced at the Audi Brussels plant to replace the Q8 e-tron, whose production was discontinued. This led to the cessation of operations and the closure of the plant on 28 February 2025, resulting in these displacements.

Parliament stressed that the increment in bankruptcies over the past two years has considerably increased the unemployment rate in some regions in Belgium, particularly in Brussels and Hainaut (Wallonia). It regretted that the displacements will further aggravate the situation and called on Belgian authorities to take measures to reduce bankruptcies to prevent structural and regional decline, while addressing social disparities leading to exclusion of work force, such as gender inequalities and low level of education.

Members also regretted that Audi ceased activities in Belgium despite remaining profitable, and that production will be moved to China and Mexico. The stressed the importance of finding a sustainable solution for repurposing the closed factory to create high-quality jobs in the region.

Personalised package of services

Parliament noted that Belgium started providing personalised services to the targeted beneficiaries on 17 February 2025 and that the period of eligibility for a financial contribution from the EGF will therefore be from that date until 24 months after the date of the entry into force of the financing decision.

This package includes: (a) counselling and information services; (b) training including IT training; (c) job-search event; (d) promotion of entrepreneurship; (e) contribution to business start-up; (f) incentives and allowances.

Lastly, Parliament called for thorough final evaluations of the measures implemented, including clear information on how the funds have been used and whether they have actually achieved the objectives for which the EGF was created, including data and timelines on the number of workers successfully reintegrated into employment and the jobs they have accessed, as well as on those who have completed training and upskilling measures as well as the relevant timelines.