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Subject:	Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 06/2023 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2023
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Delegations will find attached Commission document DEC 06/2023.

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BRUSSELS, 20/04/2023

GENERAL BUDGET - 2023
SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 16, 30

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° DEC 06/2023

FROM

CHAPTER - 1602 Mobilisation of solidarity mechanisms (Special instruments)

ARTICLE - 16 02 02 European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF)	Payments	-190 000,00
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CHAPTER - 3004 Solidarity mechanisms (special instruments)

ARTICLE - 30 04 02 Reserve for the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF)	Commitments	-190 000,00
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CHAPTER - 1601 Support administrative expenditure outside the annual ceilings set out in the Multiannual Financial Framework

ARTICLE - 16 01 01 Support expenditure for the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers	Non-Diff	190 000,00
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The rules applicable to the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF) are laid down in Regulation (EU) 2021/691 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 April 2021 on the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013 (the 'EGF Regulation').

The budgetary provisions related to the EGF are set in point 9 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 16 December 2020 between the European Parliament, the Council of the European Union and the European Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management, as well as on new own resources, including a roadmap towards the introduction of new own resources.

In accordance with Article 11(1) of the EGF Regulation, up to 0,5% of the annual ceiling of the EGF may be made available for technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission.

I. DECREASE

I.1

a) Heading

16 02 02 - European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF)

b) Figures at 29/03/2023

	Payments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	30 000 000,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	30 000 000,00
4 Appropriations already used	0,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	30 000 000,00
6 Decrease proposed	190 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)	29 810 000,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	0,63 %
9 Decrease, as a percentage of the final appropriations for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 30(1)(b) of the Financial Regulation	n/a

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over from previous year)

	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	1 495 918,28
2 Appropriations available on 29/03/2023	1 495 918,28
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	0,00 %

d) Detailed grounds for the decrease

The budget line for technical assistance from the EGF at the initiative of the Commission (16 01 01) is used for this measure and must therefore be provided with commitment and payment appropriations. Some of the payment appropriations available on the EGF operational line 16 02 02 will be used to cover the requested amount for year 2023.

I.2

a) Heading

30 04 02 - Reserve for the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF)

b) Figures at 29/03/2023

	Commitments
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	205 359 029,00
2 Transfers	-1 956 397,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	203 402 632,00
4 Appropriations already used	0,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	203 402 632,00
6 Decrease proposed	190 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5-6)	203 212 632,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	0,09 %
9 Decrease, as a percentage of the final appropriations for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 30(1)(b) of the Financial Regulation	n/a

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over from previous year)

	Commitments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 29/03/2023	0,00
3 Implementation rate [(1-2)/1]	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the decrease

The budgetary provisions related to the EGF are set in point 9 of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 16 December 2020 between the European Parliament, the Council of the European Union and the European Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management, as well as on new own resources, including a roadmap towards the introduction of new own resources.

In line with these provisions, the Commission shall present to the European Parliament and the Council a proposal for a transfer of appropriations from the reserve for the EGF to the relevant budgetary line in parallel to the proposal for a decision to mobilise the EGF.

II. INCREASE

II.1

a) Heading

16 01 01 - Support expenditure for the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers

b) Figures at 29/03/2023

	Non-Diff
1 Appropriations in budget (Initial Budget + AB)	0,00
2 Transfers	0,00
3 Total appropriations for the year (1+2)	0,00
4 Appropriations already used	0,00
5 Appropriations available (3-4)	0,00
6 Increase requested	190 000,00
7 Total appropriations up to year end (5+6)	190 000,00
8 Increase as percentage of appropriations in budget (6/1)	n/a
9 Increase, as a percentage of the final appropriations for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 30(1)(b) of the Financial Regulation	n/a

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over from previous year)

	Non-Diff
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 29/03/2023	0,00
3 Implementation rate $[(1-2)/1]$	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the increase

In 2023, the amount of EUR 190 000 is requested in order to cover the technical assistance related to the EGF. It represents 0,09% of the annual ceiling of the EGF and is well below the 0,5% allowed by Article 11(1) of the EGF Regulation. The contribution will be used for expenditure mentioned in Article 11(1) and (4) as well as Article 12(2), (3) and (4) of the EGF Regulation, as detailed hereunder.

Administrative expenditure – EUR 90 000:

- The Expert Group of Contact Persons of the EGF, with two members from each Member State, will be holding its regular meetings. Based on the experiences made with virtual meetings, and in line with the Commission's ambitions to lower the environmental footprint of its activities, we will continue to have one virtual meeting and one in presence in 2023;
- In order to promote networking among the Member States, the Commission will organise one seminar with the participation of EGF implementing bodies and social partners. In 2023, the seminar will be scheduled the day preceding an Expert Group meeting and will likely take place as a physical meeting;
- Information activities: the EGF's online presence, which the Commission has set up within its Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion area, and which it is maintaining as required under Article 12(2) of the EGF Regulation, will be regularly updated and expanded, with each new element being translated into all EU languages. General awareness of the EGF will be increased and its visibility promoted. The EGF will be covered in various Commission publications and audio-visual activities as provided for in Article 11(1) of the EGF Regulation.

Technical expenditure – EUR 100 000:

- Maintenance and update of an electronic data exchange system. The Commission is continuing its work on standardised procedures for EGF applications and management, using the functionalities of the Shared Fund Management Common System (SFC). This allows applications under the EGF Regulation to be simplified, their processing sped up and various reports more easily extracted. The SFC interface is also facilitating the EGF financial operations. This includes in particular:
 - a) maintenance of the SFC 2014 application and final report modules for the closure of cases for the EGF 2014-2020;
 - b) development and maintenance of the EGF 2021-2027 interface in the SFC2021 application, in particular new functionalities, such as the final report module, and adjustments to align SFC2021 with the requirements of the EGF Regulation 2021-2027;
- Monitoring and data gathering: the Commission will collect data on applications received, paid and wound up, and measures proposed and implemented. This data will be made available on the web site and compiled in appropriate form for future biennial reports.

ANNEX

TRANSFERS RELATED TO THE EUROPEAN GLOBALISATION ADJUSTMENT FUND FOR DISPLACED WORKERS (EGF) IN 2023 COMMISSION PROPOSALS AS AT 29/03/2023

The table below shows the transfer proposals transmitted to the European Parliament and the Council to date, which relate to the EGF financial year 2023, and the amount of the EGF reserve that will remain should these proposals be approved as proposed by the Commission.

Transfer Ref	Submission date	Content	Commitment Appropriations 2023 Reserve (EUR)
		Initial appropriations	205 359 029
DEC 02	08/02/2023	EGF/2022/002 BE/TNT	1 956 397
DEC 04	16/03/2023	EGF/2022/003 ES/ALU IBERICA	1 275 000
DEC 06	20/04/2023	EGF/2023/000 TA 2023	190 000
		Total transfer proposals	3 421 397
		Remainder	201 937 632

To date, the levels of available internal assigned revenue payment appropriations are as follows:

Line 16 01 01 – Support expenditure for the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF)

Amounts in EUR

Internal assigned revenue – current year	0
Internal assigned revenue – carried-over from previous year	0

Line 16 02 02 – European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers (EGF)

Amounts in EUR

Internal assigned revenue – current year	44 635
Internal assigned revenue – carried-over from previous year	1 495 918