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#### TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° DEC 16/2020

#### INTRODUCTION

Every year, after reviewing actual implementation and expected utilisation of payment appropriations to the end of the financial year, the Commission proposes the so-called "Global Transfer", which is designed to rebalance **payment appropriations** for the current budget year. As far as possible, the shortfall in appropriations identified is met by Commission autonomous transfers within the relevant budget chapters. The Global Transfer proposal relates to readjustments that cannot be met by such autonomous transfers.

The Global Transfer, like any other transfer, must be neutral in its budgetary effect. The additional payment needs of some programmes and actions can only be addressed insofar as there is sufficient availability from other sources, where appropriations are expected to be under-utilised by year-end.

This year, these redeployments cannot meet all the needs identified in the updated forecasts of expenditure. Therefore, an increase of payment appropriations by EUR 1,5 billion will be proposed in Draft Amending Budget n° 10, to ensure that all the payable claims are paid in 2020 and that no abnormal backlog remains for 2021.

The Global Transfer proposal for 2020 relates to payment appropriations amounting to EUR 595,4 million, corresponding to **0,39%** of the total authorised payments in the 2020 budget.

Budget Year	Value of the Global Transfer		
	(million euro)		
2016	855,9		
2017	682,0		
2018	952,7		
2019	1 077,6		
2020	595,4		

In total, 101 budget lines are concerned (36 for reinforcement and 65 for reductions), compared to 131 budget lines (26 for reinforcement and 105 for reductions) included in the Global Transfer presented at the end of 2019.

The proposed reinforcements and reductions by heading and main programme are as follows:

Headings		Global Transfer (euro)			
		Increase	Decrease	Net change	
1.	SMART AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH	66 379 560	-373 172 121	-306 792 562	
1a.	Competitiveness for growth and jobs	66 379 560	-373 025 121	-306 645 562	
1b.	Economic, social and territorial cohesion	0	-147 000	-147 000	
2.	SUSTAINABLE GROWTH: NATURAL RESOURCES	40 500 000	0	40 500 000	
3.	SECURITY AND CITIZENSHIP	18 300 000	-77 611 718	-59 311 718	
4.	GLOBAL EUROPE	470 007 757	-128 040 847	341 966 911	
5.	ADMINISTRATION	187 000	-900 000	-713 000	
	SPECIAL INSTRUMENTS	0	-15 649 631	-15 649 631	
	Total	595 374 317	-595 374 317	0	

Payment appropriations made available within a heading have been used in the first place to cover the needs in that same heading and to avoid, as far as possible, financial penalties for late payments. When payment appropriations within a heading were insufficient, availabilities from other headings are used to cover outstanding needs.

## 2. Reinforcements and reductions of payment appropriations

The main reinforcements and reductions (greater than EUR 10 million) are summarised in this section.

#### 2.1 Reinforcements

The transfer request proposes to reinforce **36 budget lines**. The <u>main lines</u> affected (i.e. for which changes are above EUR 10 million) are presented below by heading and decreasing size of the reinforcement:

# 2.1.1 Heading 1a Competitiveness for Growth and Jobs

- + EUR 33,8 million for 06 02 01 05 Creating an environment more conducive to private investment for transport infrastructure projects. The payments for the Connecting Europe Facility Debt instrument were initially forecast for the year 2021. As the projects advanced at a faster pace than expected, the European Investment Bank is requesting the final payment of EUR 40,5 million already in 2020.
- + EUR 18,3 million for 14 02 01 Supporting the functioning and modernisation of the customs union. Nearly 80% of the expenditure is linked to lengthy software development and testing cycles of the various IT systems, which make precise forecasts of payment appropriations particularly difficult. Since the start of 2020, there has been a significant increase in number and value of invoices for this budget line. The proposed reinforcement will cover the additional needs stemming from this higher than expected level of implementation and is paramount to allow finalising the Customs projects: 8 out of the 17 new IT systems required for the Union Customs Code will be delivered by end 2020

## 2.1.2 Heading 2 Sustainable Growth: Natural Resources

- + EUR 15 million for 07 02 01 Contributing to a greener and more resource-efficient economy and to the
  development and implementation of Union environmental policy and legislation. In order to respond to the
  Covid-19 crisis and allow more liquidity for the beneficiaries of the EU LIFE programme, the Commission has
  decided to increase from 30% to 40% the pre-financing of all 2019 and 2020 LIFE calls for proposals.
- + EUR 11 million for 07 02 02 Halting and reversing biodiversity loss. In order to respond to the Covid-19 crisis
  and allow more liquidity for the beneficiaries of the EU LIFE programme, the Commission has decided to
  increase from 30% to 40% the pre-financing of all 2019 and 2020 LIFE calls for proposals.

## 2.1.3 Heading 4 Global Europe

+ EUR 100 million for 22 02 03 02 - Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis. The remaining part of the commitment for the 2016 special measure to support refugees in Turkey has to be paid to the EU Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian crisis (EUTF Madad). The timely payment of this invoice is important in the context of the frontloading of operations as part of the Global Response to the Covid-19 crisis, as announced in the early summer for the Madad Trust Fund's activities. The payment implementation of the EUTF Madad in 2020 was much higher than expected at the time of the establishment of the Draft Budget 2020. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 100 million is requested in the Global transfer.

Moreover, there is a need for additional payment appropriations under this budget line due to reprogramming, increase of pre-financing payments and of indirect management mode with the beneficiary country in order to speed up payments to address the Covid-19 crisis. This additional reinforcement of EUR 90 million in payment appropriations will be requested in a Draft Amending Budget 10.

+ EUR 79 million for 22 04 01 02 - Mediterranean countries -- Poverty reduction and sustainable development.
 In order to help partner countries deal with the economic, social and health consequences of the Covid-19 crisis, the Commission has been modifying on-going programmes in order to speed up their implementation and the related payments. In particular, several budget support programmes for Morocco, Tunisia, Jordan and Algeria have been topped-up and their requirements for disbursement have been modified. In addition, other on-going regional and national programmes for the benefit of small and medium enterprises for example have been topped up and related payments increased and accelerated.

Therefore, an overall reinforcement of EUR 325 million in payment appropriations is needed, of which EUR 25 million will be covered through a Commission autonomous transfer, EUR 79 million are requested in the Global transfer, and EUR 221 million will be requested in the Draft Amending Budget 10.

+ EUR 72 million for 22 04 02 02 - Eastern Partnership -- Poverty reduction and sustainable development. In order to help partner countries deal with the economic, social and health consequences of the Covid-19 crisis, the Commission has been modifying on-going programmes in order to speed up their implementation and the related payments. In particular, several budget support programmes for Armenia and Georgia have been topped up and their requirements for disbursement have been modified. In addition, several programmes for resilience and stability (Ukraine East, Armenia), for small and medium enterprises and businesses (Armenia) have been topped up and the related payments increased and accelerated.

Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 137 million is needed, of which EUR 72 million is requested in the Global transfer and EUR 65 million will be requested in the Draft Amending Budget 10.

+ EUR 38 million for 22 04 02 01 - Eastern Partnership -- Human rights, good governance and mobility. In order
to help partner countries deal with the economic, social and health consequences of the Covid-19 crisis, the
Commission has been modifying on-going programmes in order to speed up their implementation and the
related payments. In particular, several budget support programmes for Armenia have been topped-up and their
requirements for disbursement have been modified. In addition, an on-going programme for the stabilisation and
growth in Ukraine has been topped up and the related payments increased and accelerated.

- + EUR 37 million for 22 04 01 01 Mediterranean countries -- Human rights, good governance and mobility. In order to help partner countries deal with the economic, social and health consequences of the Covid-19 crisis, the Commission has been modifying on-going programmes in order to speed up their implementation and the related payments. In particular, the requirements for the disbursement of budget support tranches of a programme for Morocco have been modified. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 52 million in payment appropriations is needed, of which EUR 15 million will be covered through a Commission autonomous transfer, and EUR 37 million is requested in the Global transfer.
- + EUR 35 million for 19 02 01 Response to crisis and emerging crisis. The implementation of the Instrument
  contributing to stability and peace is progressing more rapidly than previously estimated. Based on the revised
  forecast, the proposed reinforcement is needed to proceed with cost claims and first pre-financings due in 2020.
- + EUR 35 million for 21 02 02 Cooperation with Asia. The overall shortage of payment appropriations on this budget line is estimated at EUR 126,5 million. It is mainly linked to the need to frontload disbursements of budget support, normally planned for 2021, in order to allow for immediate response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The countries affected are Nepal, Myanmar and Cambodia.
  - Part of the needs (EUR 41,5 million) will be covered through a Commission autonomous transfer. In addition, an amount of EUR 35 million is requested through the Global Transfer, and a reinforcement of EUR 50 million will be requested in the Draft Amending Budget 10 to cover most urgent payments needed before the end of 2020.
- + EUR 24 million for 22 04 03 01 Cross-border cooperation (CBC) -- Contribution from Heading 4. When
  preparing the budget, the Commission did a prudent estimation of the needs for payment appropriations on this
  budget line, in light of previous years' implementation and experience with the accuracy of Member States'
  forecasts. However, project implementation has gathered speed in 2020 and the Managing Authorities have
  requested the full amount of pre-financing due in 2020.
- + EUR 20 million for 21 02 04 Cooperation with the Middle East. The shortage of payment appropriations on this budget line is mainly linked to the need to frontload disbursements of budget support, normally planned for later years, in order to allow for immediate response to the Covid-19 pandemic in Yemen. The reinforcement is requested to cover most urgent payments needed before the end of 2020.

### 2.2 Reductions

The transfer request proposes to reduce the level of payment appropriations for **65 budget lines**. The <u>main lines</u> affected (i.e. for which changes are above EUR 10 million), are presented below by heading and decreasing size of the reduction:

## 2.2.1 Heading 1a Competitiveness for growth and jobs

- EUR 52 million for 32 04 03 01 Making the transition to a reliable, sustainable and competitive energy system. Due to the Covid-19 crisis the progress of several projects was delayed leading to a postponement in the requests for interim payments. In addition, the signature of grant agreements was also delayed, leading to a postponement in the requests for pre-financing.
- EUR 50,2 million for 08 02 01 01 Strengthening frontier research in the European Research Council. The
  European Research Council grant holders are mostly mono-beneficiaries. Therefore, issues faced by the
  beneficiaries due to the Covid-19 crisis (delays of project implementation) could not be compensated by other
  beneficiaries, less affected by the crisis, as it can be the case for multi-beneficiary grants on other budget lines.

- EUR 31,6 million for 08 03 01 01 Euratom -- Fusion energy. The surplus is due to delays in the implementation of the contract for the operation of the Joint European Torus (JET) facilities by the UK Atomic Energy Authority. As milestones foreseen in the contract were not achieved in 2019, the European Commission has decided to suspend the contract's implementation, in accordance with the contract provision. The suspension applied from 1/01/2020 onwards and it is now expected that the contract will resume on the 1st October 2020. The amendment to the contract lifting the suspension includes an extension of duration as well as operational changes.
- EUR 27 million for 32 02 52 Completion of energy projects to aid economic recovery. Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the progress in the implementation of the last projects is slower than expected, thus creating delays in the submission of payment requests.
- EUR 26,8 million for 08 02 03 01 Improving lifelong health and well-being. The surplus is due to a lower than
  expected payment request from the European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP), a
  public-private partnership supported by Horizon 2020 to develop the clinical research capacity in sub-Saharan
  Africa. Mainly due to the Covid-19 pandemic, delays have occurred in grant preparation and implementation (for
  example, delays in receiving necessary documents).
- EUR 23,6 million for 32 03 04 02 Bohunice programme. Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the anticipated acceleration of the implementation of the decommissioning programmes did not materialise. This affected the physical delivery of material and presence of foreign experts on site. It also delayed pre-financings paid by Euratom in relation to procurement procedures that were extended, delayed or suspended to alleviate economic operators and national authorities constraints.
- EUR 22,7 million for 02 04 02 01 Leadership in space. The implementation of the procurement of Horizon 2020 contracts has been slower than expected. Many important procurements had to be delayed due to Brexit in view of the evaluation on the participation of the UK to sensitive security related contracts.
- EUR 20,7 million for 02 07 01 European Defence Industrial Development Programme (EDIDP). Following the
  delay in the finalisation of the pillar assessment of the "Organisation Conjointe de Coopération en matière
  d'Armement" (OCCAr) a large part of the payments has to be postponed until OCCAr is assessed to be fully
  pillar compliant (2021).
  - Part of the postponement has been compensated by further pre-financing of the competitive calls for proposals in order to support the defence industry in the current economic context. In this situation, the total payments for 2020 should be limited to EUR 179 million and the surplus can be made available.
- EUR 20 million for 08 03 01 02 Euratom Nuclear fission and radiation protection. The European Investment Bank (EIB), as entrusted entity for the implementation of the InnovFin financial instrument, reported that none of the operations related to the InnovFin window dedicated to Euratom will be mature enough to obtain an approval from the EIB Board of Directors by December 2020. Therefore, the appropriations corresponding to the InnovFin window dedicated to Euratom will not be implemented this year and can be made available.
- EUR 18,5 million for 32 02 01 01 Further integration of the internal energy market and the interoperability of
  electricity and gas networks across borders. The energy strand of the Connecting Europe Facility was increased
  in both commitments and payments during the conciliation procedure of the budget 2020. Commitment
  appropriations were used in 2020 as the calls for proposals were launched during the year. However, the related
  first pre-financings will only take place in 2021.
- EUR 16,9 million for 32 03 04 01 Kozloduy programme. Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the anticipated acceleration of the implementation of the decommissioning programmes did not materialise. This affected the physical delivery of material and presence of foreign experts on site. It also delayed pre-financings paid by Euratom in relation to procurement procedures that were extended, delayed or suspended to alleviate economic operators and national authorities constraints.
- EUR 13,8 million for 32 03 03 Nuclear decommissioning assistance programme in Lithuania. Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the anticipated acceleration of the implementation of the decommissioning programmes did not materialise. This affected the physical delivery of material and presence of foreign experts on site. It also delayed pre-financings paid by Euratom in relation to procurement procedures that were extended, delayed or suspended to alleviate economic operators and national authorities constraints.

 EUR 10,4 million for 05 09 03 01 - Securing sufficient supplies of safe and high quality food and other biobased products. The surplus results from the postponement of payment deadlines and final payments following beneficiaries' requests to extend projects' duration due to the Covid-19 outbreak.

## 2.2.2 Heading 3 Security and Citizenship

- - EUR 60 million for 23 03 01 01 Disaster prevention and preparedness within the Union. The payment forecast has been reduced for the following reasons:
  - o Member States requested a lower level of pre-financing on the stockpiling contracts;
  - Delays in the purchase of 2 Canadairs, resulting in the postponement to 2021 of the pre-financing initially foreseen for 2020;
  - Delays in the implementation of some grant contracts, which result in having to postpone the interim and final payments to 2021;
  - Signature and pre-financing of the medical evacuation services (Medevac) contract with Germany postponed to 2021;
  - Some final payments related to 2016-2017 contracts were not paid (or partially paid) following analysis of final report.

## 2.2.3 Heading 4 Global Europe

- EUR 50 million for 05 05 04 02 Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis. The surplus is due to a reduced payment forecast for the third quarter of 2020, and the availability of assigned revenue (not known at the time of the establishment of the 2020 budget).
- EUR 28,5 million for 19 04 01 Improving the reliability of electoral processes, in particular by means of
  election observation missions. As the actions linked to the Election Observation Missions (EOMs) take mainly
  place in the countries where the elections occur, this budget line was hugely affected by the consequences of
  the Covid-19 pandemic. Many missions were cancelled, delayed and changed.
- EUR 15 million for 05 05 03 02 Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis. The surplus is due to a reduced payment forecast for the third quarter of 2020, and the availability of assigned revenue (not known at the time of the establishment of the 2020 budget.
- EUR 12 million for 21 06 01 Promotion of a high level of nuclear safety, radiation protection and the
  application of efficient and effective safeguards relating to nuclear material in third countries. Actions relating to
  the Instrument for Nuclear Safety Cooperation (INSC) have been severely impacted by the ongoing Covid-19
  crisis. The nature of INSC operations (field visits, training of personnel, supply of equipment, safety
  assessments etc.) means that the implementation of a majority of projects has slowed down significantly.
- EUR 11,3 million for 01 03 02 Macro-financial assistance. The expected third tranche of the disbursement of Macro-financial assistance for Moldova was definitively cancelled, with no possibility of postponement. Therefore, payments for grants will only amount to EUR 15,7 million in 2020 and the surplus can be made available.

## 3. Proposed transfers

All proposed transfers, for either an increase or reduction in appropriations, are summarised in the tables in budget nomenclature order. The table indicates:

- the initial budget appropriations, including amending budgets as of 23 September 2020;
- transfers as of 23 September 2020;
- the implementation as of 23 September 2020;
- the total remaining available appropriations;
- proposed transfer (increase or reduction);
- percentage change, compared to the initial budget (including any amending budgets);
- the balance on the line after the proposed transfer.

For reductions or reinforcements of the authorised appropriations on the budget line, detailed justifications are provided in the enclosure.

# GENERAL BUDGET - 2020

SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 01, 02, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 29, 32, 33, 34, 40

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FROM		
CHAPTER - 0103 International economic and financial affairs		
ARTICLE - 01 03 02 Macro-financial assistance	Payments	-11 303 530,00
CHAPTER - 0104 Financial operations and instruments		
ARTICLE - 01 04 06 European Investment Advisory Hub (EIAH) and European Investment Project Portal (EIPP)	Payments	-2 460 000,00
CHAPTER - 0204 Horizon 2020 Research relating to enterprises		
ITEM - 02 04 02 01 Leadership in space	Payments	-22 697 882,82
ITEM - 02 04 77 06 Pilot project Space traffic management	Payments	-140 000,00
ITEM - 02 04 77 07 Preparatory action Preparing the new EU GOVSATCOM programme	Payments	-3 155 994,67
ITEM - 02 04 77 08 Pilot project Aviation resilience to GNSS jamming and cyber-threats	Payments	-375 000,00
CHAPTER - 0207 European Defence Industrial Development Programme		
(EDIDP) ARTICLE - 02 07 01 European Defence Industrial Development Programme (EDIDP)	Payments	-20 725 232,72
CHAPTER - 0404 European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF)		
ARTICLE - 04 04 01 EGF to support workers and self-employed persons whose activity has ceased as a result of globalisation	Payments	-9 655 000,00
CHAPTER - 0505 Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance Agriculture and rural development		
ITEM - 05 05 03 02 Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis	Payments	-15 000 000,00
ITEM - 05 05 04 02 Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis	Payments	-50 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 0506 International aspects of the `Agriculture and rural development` policy area		
ARTICLE - 05 06 01 International agricultural agreements	Payments	-1 555 889,54

CHAPTER - 0509 Horizon 2020 Research and innovation related to agriculture		
ITEM - 05 09 03 01 Securing sufficient supplies of safe and high quality food and other bio-based products	Payments	-10 436 252,27
CHAPTER - 0602 European transport policy		
ITEM - 06 02 03 01 European Maritime Safety Agency	Payments	-985 300,00
ITEM - 06 02 03 02 European Maritime Safety Agency Anti-pollution measures	Payments	-616 788,00
CHAPTER - 0702 Environmental policy at Union and international level		
ARTICLE - 07 02 04 Contribution to multilateral and international environment agreements	Payments	-209 475,33
CHAPTER - 0802 Horizon 2020 Research		
ITEM - 08 02 01 01 Strengthening frontier research in the European Research Council	Payments	-50 224 452,27
ITEM - 08 02 03 01 Improving lifelong health and well-being	Payments	-26 849 871,00
CHAPTER - 0803 Euratom Programme Indirect actions		
ITEM - 08 03 01 01 Euratom Fusion energy	Payments	-31 575 624,00
ITEM - 08 03 01 02 Euratom Nuclear fission and radiation protection	Payments	-20 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 0805 Research programme of the Research Fund for Coal and Steel		
ITEM - 08 05 77 01 Pilot project Research into reducing CO2 emissions in steel production	Payments	-499 064,00
CHAPTER - 0902 Digital single market		
ITEM - 09 02 77 12 Pilot project EU-wide programming contest	Payments	-235 579,59
ITEM - 09 02 77 13 Pilot project EU grants for small-scale online media: supporting high-quality news products and tackling fake news	Payments	-550 000,00
ITEM - 09 02 77 14 Pilot project Integrity of social media	Payments	-225 000,00
ITEM - 09 02 77 15 Pilot project Smart urban mobility involving autonomous vehicles	Payments	-250 000,00
ITEM - 09 02 77 16 Pilot project Media ownership monitor	Payments	-250 000,00
ITEM - 09 02 77 17 Preparatory action Media councils in the digital age	Payments	-125 000,00

CHAPTER - 0905 Creative Europe		
ITEM - 09 05 77 08 Preparatory action Cinemas as innovation hubs for local communities	Payments	-1 663,89
ITEM - 09 05 77 10 Pilot project Supporting investigative journalism and media freedom in the EU	Payments	-335 054,30
<b>CHAPTER -</b> 1002 Horizon 2020 Direct actions of the Joint Research Centre (JRC) in support of Union policies		
ITEM - 10 02 77 03 Pilot project Implementation of the research methodology `Multidimensional Inequality Framework` research methodology for the European Union	Payments	-365 580,00
ITEM - 10 02 77 04 Pilot project Integrated techniques for the seismic strengthening and energy efficiency of existing buildings	Payments	-147 000,00
CHAPTER - 1003 Euratom programme Direct actions		
ARTICLE - 10 03 01 Euratom activities of direct research	Payments	-2 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 1005 Historical liabilities resulting from nuclear activities carried out by the Joint Research Centre pursuant to the Euratom Treaty		
ARTICLE - 10 05 01 Decommissioning of Euratom obsolete nuclear facilities and final disposal of wastes	Payments	-3 900 000,00
CHAPTER - 1402 Customs		
ARTICLE - 14 02 02 Membership of international organisations in the field of customs	Payments	-13 055,97
CHAPTER - 1603 Communication actions		
ITEM - 16 03 01 02 Information for the media and audiovisual productions	Payments	-1 500 000,00
ITEM - 16 03 01 03 Information outlets	Payments	-1 000 000,00
ITEM - 16 03 01 04 Communication of the Commission Representations, Citizens Dialogues and `Partnership` actions	Payments	-7 500 000,00
ITEM - 16 03 02 02 Operation of radio and television studios and audiovisual equipment	Payments	-900 000,00
ITEM - 16 03 02 03 Online and written information and communication tools	Payments	-1 000 000,00
ITEM - 16 03 02 05 Public opinion analysis	Payments	-2 100 000,00
CHAPTER - 1804 Fostering European citizenship		
ITEM - 18 04 01 01 Europe for citizens Strengthening remembrance and enhancing capacity for civic participation at the Union level	Payments	-4 175 000,00

CHAPTER - 0905 Creative Europe

CHAPTER - 1904 Election observation missions (EU EOMs)		
ARTICLE - 19 04 01 Improving the reliability of electoral processes, in particular by means of election observation missions	Payments	-28 500 000,00
CHAPTER - 2002 Trade policy		
ARTICLE - 20 02 01 External trade relations, including access to the markets of third countries	Payments	-500 000,00
ITEM - 20 02 77 02 Pilot project Women and trade: creating a model chapter on gender in free trade agreements based on data on women participating in trade and women participating in the domestic economy	Payments	-111 963,07
CHAPTER - 2106 Instrument for Nuclear Safety Cooperation		
ARTICLE - 21 06 01 Promotion of a high level of nuclear safety, radiation protection and the application of efficient and effective safeguards relating to nuclear material in third countries	Payments	-12 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 2108 Development and cooperation worldwide		
ARTICLE - 21 08 01 Evaluation of the results of Union aid and follow-up and audit measures	Payments	-6 545 425,00
ARTICLE - 21 08 02 Coordination and promotion of awareness on development issues and on the enlargement and neighbourhood policies	Payments	-1 174 202,00
CHAPTER - 2109 Completion of actions implemented under Industrialised		
Countries Instrument (ICI+) programme ITEM - 21 09 51 01 Asia	Payments	-200 000,00
ITEM - 21 09 51 02 Latin America	Payments	-900 000,00
CHAPTER - 2303 The Union Civil Protection Mechanism		
ITEM - 23 03 01 01 Disaster prevention and preparedness within the Union	Payments	-60 000 000,00
ITEM - 23 03 77 04 Preparatory action Network of European hubs for civil protection and crisis management	Payments	-17 750,00
<b>CHAPTER -</b> 2402 Promoting activities in the field of the protection of the European Union's financial interests (Hercule III)		
ARTICLE - 24 02 01 Preventing and combating fraud, corruption and any other illegal activities affecting the Union's financial interests	Payments	-1 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 2602 Multimedia production		
ARTICLE - 26 02 01 Procedures for awarding and advertising public supply, works and service contracts	Payments	-250 000,00
CHAPTER - 2902 The European statistical programme		
ARTICLE - 29 02 01 Providing quality statistical information, implementing new		

CHAPTER - 3202 Conventional and renewable energy		
ITEM - 32 02 01 01 Further integration of the internal energy market and the interoperability of electricity and gas networks across borders	Payments	-18 500 000,00
ITEM - 32 02 01 02 Enhancing Union security of energy supply	Payments	-5 800 000,00
ITEM - 32 02 01 03 Contributing to sustainable development and protection of the environment	Payments	-5 800 000,00
ARTICLE - 32 02 52 Completion of energy projects to aid economic recovery	Payments	-27 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 3203 Nuclear energy		
ARTICLE - 32 03 01 Nuclear safeguards	Payments	-3 000 000,00
ARTICLE - 32 03 03 Nuclear decommissioning assistance programme in Lithuania	Payments	-13 780 000,00
ITEM - 32 03 04 01 Kozloduy programme	Payments	-16 940 000,00
ITEM - 32 03 04 02 Bohunice programme	Payments	-23 640 000,00
CHAPTER - 3204 Horizon 2020 Research and innovation related to energy		
ITEM - 32 04 03 01 Making the transition to a reliable, sustainable and competitive energy system	Payments	-52 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 3303 Justice		
ITEM - 33 03 77 08 Preparatory action Capacity building, programmatic development and communication in the context of the fight against money laundering and financial crimes	Payments	-687 500,00
CHAPTER - 3402 Climate action at Union and international level		
ARTICLE - 34 02 04 Contribution to multilateral and international climate agreements	Payments	-9 555,64
CHAPTER - 4002 Reserves for financial interventions		
ARTICLE - 40 02 41 Differentiated appropriations	Payments	-5 994 631,00
<u>TO</u>		
CHAPTER - 0602 European transport policy		
ITEM - 06 02 01 03 Optimising the integration and interconnection of transport modes and enhancing interoperability	Payments	1 000 000,00
ITEM - 06 02 01 05 Creating an environment more conducive to private investment for transport infrastructure projects	Payments	33 836 863,00

CHAPTER - 0603 Horizon 2020 Research and innovation related to transport		
ITEM - 06 03 03 01 Achieving a resource-efficient, environmentally-friendly, safe and seamless European transport system	Payments	2 720 000,00
CHAPTER - 0702 Environmental policy at Union and international level		
ARTICLE - 07 02 01 Contributing to a greener and more resource-efficient economy and to the development and implementation of Union environmental policy and legislation	Payments	15 000 000,00
ARTICLE - 07 02 02 Halting and reversing biodiversity loss	Payments	11 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 1202 Financial services and capital markets		
ARTICLE - 12 02 01 Implementation and development of the single market for financial services	Payments	98 420,00
CHAPTER - 1402 Customs		
ARTICLE - 14 02 01 Supporting the functioning and modernisation of the customs union	Payments	18 298 094,00
CHAPTER - 1403 Taxation		
ARTICLE - 14 03 01 Improving the proper functioning of the taxation systems	Payments	3 513 095,14
CHAPTER - 1404 Policy strategy and coordination		
ARTICLE - 14 04 01 Implementation and development of the internal market	Payments	484 514,63
CHAPTER - 1902 Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace (IcSP) Crisis response, conflict prevention, peace-building and crisis preparedness		
ARTICLE - 19 02 01 Response to crisis and emerging crisis	Payments	35 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 1905 Cooperation with third countries under the Partnership Instrument (PI)		
ARTICLE - 19 05 01 Cooperation with third countries to advance and promote Union and mutual interests	Payments	3 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 2102 Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI)		
ARTICLE - 21 02 01 Cooperation with Latin America	Payments	5 000 000,00
ARTICLE - 21 02 02 Cooperation with Asia	Payments	35 000 000,00
ARTICLE - 21 02 03 Cooperation with Central Asia	Payments	6 000 000,00
ARTICLE - 21 02 04 Cooperation with the Middle East	Payments	20 000 000,00
ARTICLE - 21 02 20 Erasmus+ Contribution from the development cooperation instrument (DCI)	Payments	2 000 000,00

CHAPTER - 2104 European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights		
ARTICLE - 21 04 01 Enhancing the respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms and supporting democratic reforms	Payments	9 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 2202 Enlargement process and strategy		
ITEM - 22 02 03 02 Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis	Payments	100 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 2204 European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI)		
ITEM - 22 04 01 01 Mediterranean countries Human rights, good governance and mobility	Payments	37 000 000,00
ITEM - 22 04 01 02 Mediterranean countries Poverty reduction and sustainable development	Payments	79 000 000,00
ITEM - 22 04 02 01 Eastern Partnership Human rights, good governance and mobility	Payments	38 000 000,00
ITEM - 22 04 02 02 Eastern Partnership Poverty reduction and sustainable development	Payments	72 007 757,31
ITEM - 22 04 03 01 Cross-border cooperation (CBC) Contribution from Heading 4	Payments	24 000 000,00
ITEM - 22 04 03 04 Other multi-country cooperation in the neighbourhood Supporting measures	Payments	5 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 2603 Services to public administrations, businesses and citizens		
ARTICLE - 26 03 01 Interoperability solutions and common frameworks for European public administrations, businesses and citizens (ISA²)	Payments	6 000 000,00
ITEM - 26 03 77 06 Preparatory action Governance and quality of software code Auditing of free and open-source software	Payments	172 000,00
ITEM - 26 03 77 09 Preparatory action Data analytics solutions for policymaking	Payments	15 000,00
CHAPTER - 3202 Conventional and renewable energy		
ARTICLE - 32 02 10 Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER)	Payments	428 573,00
CHAPTER - 3302 Rights, equality and citizenship		
ARTICLE - 33 02 01 Ensuring the protection of rights and empowering citizens	Payments	4 600 000,00
ARTICLE - 33 02 02 Promoting non-discrimination and equality	Payments	3 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 3303 Justice		
ARTICLE - 33 03 01 Supporting and promoting judicial training and facilitating effective access to justice for all	Payments	7 000 000,00

ARTICLE - 33 03 02 Facilitating and supporting judicial cooperation in civil and criminal matters	Payments	3 000 000,00
CHAPTER - 3304 Consumer programme		
ARTICLE - 33 04 01 Safeguarding consumers interest and improving their safety and information	Payments	700 000,00
CHAPTER - 3402 Climate action at Union and international level		
ARTICLE - 34 02 01 Reducing Union greenhouse gas emissions	Payments	3 400 000,00
ARTICLE - 34 02 02 Increasing the resilience of the Union to climate change	Payments	8 700 000,00
ARTICLE - 34 02 03 Better climate governance and information at all levels	Payments	2 400 000,00

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Payment - 01 03 02 - N						
27 000 000,00		10 284 600,00				5 411 870,00
	•		IAH) and European Inves	-	·	
17 000 000,00		342 159,25	16 657 840,75	-2 460 000,00	-14,47 %	14 197 840,75
Payment - 02 04 02 01	<u> </u>					
204 450 000,00	,	,	120 298 245,78	-22 697 882,82	-11,10 %	97 600 362,96
Payment - 02 04 77 06						
350 000,00	0,00	0,00	350 000,00	-140 000,00	-40,00 %	210 000,00
Payment - 02 04 77 07	- Preparatory action	on Preparing the	new EU GOVSATCOM pr	ogramme		
5 000 000,00	-372 594,79	1 419 465,90	3 207 939,31	-3 155 994,67	-63,12 %	51 944,64
Payment - 02 04 77 08	- Pilot project Av	viation resilience to	GNSS jamming and cyb	er-threats		
375 000,00	0,00	0,00	375 000,00	-375 000,00	-100,00 %	0,00
Payment - 02 07 01 - E	uropean Defence I	ndustrial Developn	nent Programme (EDIDP)			
200 000 000,00	0,00	279 954,08	199 720 045,92	-20 725 232,72	-10,36 %	178 994 813,20
Payment - 04 04 01 - E	GF to support w	orkers and self-em	ployed persons whose a	ctivity has ceased as	a result of glob	alisation
10 000 000,00	-345 000,00	0,00	9 655 000,00	-9 655 000,00	-96,55 %	0,00
Payment - 05 05 03 02	- Support for econ	omic, social and te	erritorial development an	d related progressive	alignment with	the Union acquis
38 000 000,00	-5 000 000,00	8 314 991,62	24 685 008,38	-15 000 000,00	-39,47 %	9 685 008,38
Payment - 05 05 04 02	- Support for econ	omic, social and te	erritorial development and	d related progressive	alignment with	the Union acquis
80 000 000,00	-6 500 000,00	23 126 212,29	50 373 787,71	-50 000 000,00	-62,50 %	373 787,71
Payment - 05 06 01 - Ir	nternational agricu	Itural agreements				
6 300 000,00	-500 000,00	4 244 110,46	1 555 889,54	-1 555 889,54	-24,70 %	0,00
Payment - 05 09 03 01	- Securing sufficie	nt supplies of safe	and high quality food an	d other bio-based pr	oducts	
257 493 066,00	0,00	160 225 102,02	97 267 963,98	-10 436 252,27	-4,05 %	86 831 711,71
Payment - 06 02 01 03	- Optimising the in	tegration and inte	rconnection of transport	modes and enhancin	g interoperabilit	v
372 469 092,00		116 346 502,79			· .	257 122 589,21
Pavment - 06 02 01 05	- Creating an envi	onment more con	ducive to private investm	ent for transport infra	astructure proje	cts
0,00			6 654 636,79	· ·	<u> </u>	40 491 499,79
Payment - 06 02 03 01			,	,	,	,
49 542 497,00	-		15 604 469,30	-985 300,00	-1,99 %	14 619 169,30
			- Anti-pollution measures		,,,,,	
25 175 000,00		16 866 874,95	7 218 113,05		-2,45 %	6 601 325,05
Payment - 06 03 03 01	- Achieving a reso	urce-efficient, envi	ronmentally-friendly, saf	e and seamless Euro	pean transport	system
78 482 254,00	1 066 153,00	68 334 589,32	11 213 817,68	2 720 000,00	3,47 %	13 933 817,68
Payment - 07 02 01 - Contributing to a greener and more resource-efficient economy and to the development and implementation of Union						
environmental policy a 88 000 000,00		65 696 706,30	31 503 293,70	15 000 000,00	17,05 %	46 503 293,70
Payment - 07 02 02 - H						
112 000 000,00	-	65 384 948,12	54 614 935,17	11 000 000,00	9,82 %	65 614 935,17
			ational environment agre		-, ,3	
3 864 000,00					-5,42 %	0,00
0 004 000,00	0,00	0 00 1 02 1,07	200 410,00	200 47 0,00	0, 72 /0	0,00

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Payment - 08 02 01 01			the European Research C		·	
1 978 553 728,00	-18 663 247,67	1 382 796 266,99	577 094 213,34	-50 224 452,27	-2,54 %	526 869 761,07
Payment - 08 02 03 01	- Improving lifelor	ng health and well-	being			
605 575 007,00	3 141 766,69	360 419 347,46	248 297 426,23	-26 849 871,00	-4,43 %	221 447 555,23
Payment - 08 03 01 01	- Euratom Fusio	n energy			<u> </u>	
174 611 650,00	-31 366 791,00	0,00	143 244 859,00	-31 575 624,00	-18,08 %	111 669 235,00
Payment - 08 03 01 02	- Euratom Nucle	ear fission and radi	ation protection	1	<u> </u>	
91 597 374,00	13 905 626,00	63 133 418,76	42 369 581,24	-20 000 000,00	-21,83 %	22 369 581,24
Payment - 08 05 77 01	- Pilot project R	esearch into reduc	ing CO2 emissions in ste	el production		
499 064,00	0,00	0,00	499 064,00	-499 064,00	-100,00 %	0,00
Payment - 09 02 77 12	- Pilot project El	U-wide programmi	ng contest		L	
595 000,00	0,00	0,00	595 000,00	-235 579,59	-39,59 %	359 420,41
Payment - 09 02 77 13	- Pilot project El	U grants for small-	scale online media: supp	orting high-quality ne	ws products an	d tackling fake
news 550 000,00	0,00	0,00	550 000,00	-550 000,00	-100,00 %	0,00
Payment - 09 02 77 14	- Pilot project In	tegrity of social m	<u> </u> edia			
225 000,00	0,00	0,00	225 000,00	-225 000,00	-100,00 %	0,00
Payment - 09 02 77 15	- Pilot project Sı	l mart urban mobilit	ı y involving autonomous v	vehicles		
250 000,00	0,00	0,00	250 000,00	-250 000,00	-100,00 %	0,00
Payment - 09 02 77 16	- Pilot project M	edia ownership mo	onitor	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
250 000,00	0,00	0,00	250 000,00	-250 000,00	-100,00 %	0,00
Payment - 09 02 77 17	- Preparatory action	on Media counci	ls in the digital age			
125 000,00	0,00	0,00	125 000,00	-125 000,00	-100,00 %	0,00
Payment - 09 05 77 08	- Preparatory action	on Cinemas as ir	nnovation hubs for local c	communities		
375 000,00	825 000,00	1 198 336,11	1 663,89	-1 663,89	-0,44 %	0,00
Payment - 09 05 77 10	- Pilot project Sı	upporting investiga	ative journalism and med	ia freedom in the EU		
887 500,00	0,00	509 456,20	378 043,80	-335 054,30	-37,75 %	42 989,50
		nplementation of th	ne research methodology	`Multidimensional Inc	equality Framew	vork` research
methodology for the E 637 500,00	0,00	171 800,89	465 699,11	-365 580,00	-57,35 %	100 119,11
Payment - 10 02 77 04	- Pilot project In	ıtegrated technique	ı es for the seismic strengt	hening and energy ef	ficiency of exist	ing buildings
637 500,00	0,00	188 524,04	448 975,96	-147 000,00	-23,06 %	301 975,96
Payment - 10 03 01 - E	uratom activities o	of direct research	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
11 600 000,00	0,00	6 023 821,37	5 576 178,63	-2 000 000,00	-17,24 %	3 576 178,63
Payment - 10 05 01 - D	ecommissioning o	of Euratom obsolet	te nuclear facilities and fir	nal disposal of wastes	5	
29 500 000,00	0,00	18 691 565,63	10 808 434,37	-3 900 000,00	-13,22 %	6 908 434,37
Payment - 12 02 01 - In	nplementation and	development of the	he single market for finan	cial services		
3 450 000,00	1 414 522,65	2 895 456,75	1 969 065,90	98 420,00	2,85 %	2 067 485,90
Payment - 14 02 01 - S	upporting the fund	ctioning and mode	rnisation of the customs	union		
75 200 000,00	0,00	70 721 379,50	4 478 620,50	18 298 094,00	24,33 %	22 776 714,50
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Payment - 14 02 02 - Me	embership of inter	national organisat	ions in the field of custor	ms		
1 142 890,00	0,00	1 129 834,03	13 055,97	-13 055,97	-1,14 %	0,00
Payment - 14 03 01 - Im	proving the prope	r functioning of th	e taxation systems			
27 400 000,00	0,00	22 086 497,12	5 313 502,88	3 513 095,14	12,82 %	8 826 598,02
Payment - 14 04 01 - Im	plementation and	development of th	e internal market		·	
2 925 000,00	0,00	2 478 980,74	446 019,26	484 514,63	16,56 %	930 533,89
Payment - 16 03 01 02 -	Information for th	e media and audio	ovisual productions		·	
6 500 000,00	0,00	3 232 099,33	3 267 900,67	-1 500 000,00	-23,08 %	1 767 900,67
Payment - 16 03 01 03 -	Information outlet	ts				
15 500 000,00	0,00	13 170 904,55	2 329 095,45	-1 000 000,00	-6,45 %	1 329 095,45
Payment - 16 03 01 04 -	Communication o	f the Commission	Representations, Citizer	ns Dialogues and `Pa	artnership` actio	ons
20 600 000,00	0,00	7 686 318,54	12 913 681,46	-7 500 000,00	-36,41 %	5 413 681,46
Payment - 16 03 02 02 -	Operation of radio	and television st	udios and audiovisual ed	quipment		
5 600 000,00	0,00	3 096 355,58	2 503 644,42	-900 000,00	-16,07 %	1 603 644,42
Payment - 16 03 02 03 -	Online and writter	n information and	communication tools	<u> </u>		
21 900 000,00	0,00	12 873 258,76	9 026 741,24	-1 000 000,00	-4,57 %	8 026 741,24
Payment - 16 03 02 05 -	Public opinion an	alysis		<u> </u>		
6 800 000,00	0,00	2 986 178,27	3 813 821,73	-2 100 000,00	-30,88 %	1 713 821,73
Payment - 18 04 01 01 -	Europe for citizen	s Strengthening	remembrance and enha	ncing capacity for civ	vic participation	at the Union level
26 000 000,00	-65 000,00	19 831 592,14	6 103 407,86	-4 175 000,00	-16,06 %	1 928 407,86
Payment - 19 02 01 - Re	esponse to crisis a	nd emerging crisi	s	<u> </u>	L	
240 000 000,00	0,00	208 607 350,06	31 392 649,94	35 000 000,00	14,58 %	66 392 649,94
Payment - 19 04 01 - Im	proving the reliabi	lity of electoral pr	ocesses, in particular by	means of election ob	servation missi	ons
37 000 000,00	-3 000 000,00	5 126 003,79	28 873 996,21	-28 500 000,00	-77,03 %	373 996,21
Payment - 19 05 01 - Co	operation with thi	rd countries to ad	vance and promote Unio	n and mutual interest	s	
110 000 000,00	-638 955,11	79 330 423,44	30 030 621,45	3 000 000,00	2,73 %	33 030 621,45
Payment - 20 02 01 - Ex	ternal trade relation	ons, including acc	ess to the markets of thir	d countries		
11 800 000,00	1 500 000,00	7 947 078,12	5 352 921,88	-500 000,00	-4,24 %	4 852 921,88
			reating a model chapter of	on gender in free trade	e agreements ba	sed on data on
women participating in 130 000,00	0,00	participating in th 18 036,93	e domestic economy 111 963,07	-111 963,07	-86,13 %	0,00
Payment - 21 02 01 - Co	operation with La	tin America				
274 000 000,00	28 000 000,00	157 067 859,07	144 932 140,93	5 000 000,00	1,82 %	149 932 140,93
Payment - 21 02 02 - Co			<u> </u>	·		
656 000 000,00	-48 500 000,00	438 983 029,64	168 516 970,36	35 000 000,00	5,34 %	203 516 970,36
Payment - 21 02 03 - Co		ntral Asia		· ·		
102 000 000,00	0,00	93 232 188,29	8 767 811,71	6 000 000,00	5,88 %	14 767 811,71
Payment - 21 02 04 - Co		·	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		·	•
70 000 000,00	50 000 000,00	69 964 946,11	50 035 053,89	20 000 000,00	28,57 %	70 035 053,89
			relopment cooperation in			
103 256 481,00	0,00	61 253 002,14	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	1,94 %	44 003 478,86
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Payment - 21 04 01 - E	nhancing the respe	ect for and observ	ance of human rights and	fundamental freedo	ms and support	ing democratic
125 000 000,00	1 000 000,00	94 601 178,94	31 398 821,06	9 000 000,00	7,20 %	40 398 821,06
			afety, radiation protection	and the application	of efficient and	effective
safeguards relating to 23 700 000,00	nuclear material in	third countries 6 877 863,13	16 822 136,87	-12 000 000,00	-50,63 %	4 822 136,87
Payment - 21 08 01 - E	valuation of the res	sults of Union aid	and follow-up and audit n	neasures		
30 498 459,00	-2 454 575,00	11 639 351,29	16 404 532,71	-6 545 425,00	-21,46 %	9 859 107,71
Payment - 21 08 02 - C	oordination and pr	omotion of aware	ness on development iss	ues and on the enlarg	gement and neig	hbourhood
15 445 488,00	-1 325 798,00	6 234 486,70	7 885 203,30	-1 174 202,00	-7,60 %	6 711 001,30
Payment - 21 09 51 01	- Asia					
2 000 000,00	-200 000,00	107 799,54	1 692 200,46	-200 000,00	-10,00 %	1 492 200,46
Payment - 21 09 51 02	- Latin America				<u> </u>	
1 000 000,00	-100 000,00	0,00	900 000,00	-900 000,00	-90,00 %	0,00
Payment - 22 02 03 02	- Support for econ	omic, social and to	erritorial development an	d related progressive	alignment with	the Union acquis
398 786 099,00	6 000 000,00	383 357 232,64	21 428 866,36	100 000 000,00	25,08 %	121 428 866,36
Payment - 22 04 01 01	- Mediterranean co	untries Human	rights, good governance	and mobility		
99 184 805,00	15 000 000,00	95 545 862,43	18 638 942,57	37 000 000,00	37,30 %	55 638 942,57
Payment - 22 04 01 02	- Mediterranean co	untries Poverty	reduction and sustainab	le development		
470 341 793,00	25 000 000,00	468 564 111,58	26 777 681,42	79 000 000,00	16,80 %	105 777 681,42
Payment - 22 04 02 01	- Eastern Partnersl	ոip Human right	s, good governance and	mobility		
142 497 911,00	0,00	108 611 999,15	33 885 911,85	38 000 000,00	26,67 %	71 885 911,85
Payment - 22 04 02 02	- Eastern Partnersl	nip Poverty redu	iction and sustainable de	velopment		
268 456 920,00	0,00	173 484 153,75	94 972 766,25	72 007 757,31	26,82 %	166 980 523,56
Payment - 22 04 03 01	- Cross-border cod	peration (CBC)	Contribution from Headir	ng 4		
53 256 169,00	0,00	46 851 561,85	6 404 607,15	24 000 000,00	45,07 %	30 404 607,15
Payment - 22 04 03 04		try cooperation in	the neighbourhood Su	pporting measures		
16 297 114,00	8 000 000,00	16 831 395,14	7 465 718,86	5 000 000,00	30,68 %	12 465 718,86
Payment - 23 03 01 01	- Disaster preventi	on and preparedn	ess within the Union			
238 000 000,00	-19 000 000,00	77 084 318,57	141 915 681,43	-60 000 000,00	-25,21 %	81 915 681,43
Payment - 23 03 77 04	- Preparatory actio	n Network of Eu	ropean hubs for civil pro	tection and crisis ma	nagement	
361 500,00	0,00	343 749,86	17 750,14	-17 750,00	-4,91 %	0,14
Payment - 24 02 01 - P	reventing and com	bating fraud, corre	uption and any other illeg	al activities affecting	the Union's fina	ancial interests
13 647 773,00	0,00	3 476 036,86	10 171 736,14	-1 000 000,00	-7,33 %	9 171 736,14
Payment - 26 02 01 - P	rocedures for awar	ding and advertis	ing public supply, works	and service contract	s	
7 000 000,00	0,00	4 115 180,37	2 884 819,63	-250 000,00	-3,57 %	2 634 819,63
I = T	teroperability solu	tions and commo	n frameworks for Europe	an public administrat	ions, businesse	s and citizens
25 000 000,00	0,00	17 237 028,59	7 762 971,41	6 000 000,00	24,00 %	13 762 971,41
Payment - 26 03 77 06	- Preparatory actio	n Governance a	nd quality of software co	de Auditing of free	and open-source	e software
104 000,00	196 081,50	295 081,50	5 000,00	172 000,00	165,38 %	177 000,00

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			solutions for policymaki			
800 000,00	-111 581,50	688 418,50	•	,	1,88 %	15 000,00
Payment - 29 02 01 - Pr strengthening the partr			n, implementing new me	thods of production o	of European statis	stics and
71 000 000,00	0,00	42 200 625,06		-5 985 000,00	-8,43 %	22 814 374,94
Payment - 32 02 01 01 - borders	- Further integratio	n of the internal e	nergy market and the into	eroperability of electr	icity and gas netv	works across
148 240 000,00	0,00	83 340 369,95	64 899 630,05	-18 500 000,00	-12,48 %	46 399 630,05
Payment - 32 02 01 02 -	- Enhancing Union	security of energy	y supply		<u> </u>	
134 200 000,00	0,00	74 460 485,99	59 739 514,01	-5 800 000,00	-4,32 %	53 939 514,01
Payment - 32 02 01 03 -	- Contributing to su	ıstainable develor	oment and protection of t	he environment		
134 300 000,00	0,00	62 048 319,44	72 251 680,56	-5 800 000,00	-4,32 %	66 451 680,56
Payment - 32 02 10 - Aç	gency for the Coop	eration of Energy	Regulators (ACER)		L	
16 277 975,00	0,00	16 277 975,00	0,00	428 573,00	2,63 %	428 573,00
Payment - 32 02 52 - Co	ompletion of energ	y projects to aid e	conomic recovery			
60 000 000,00	0,00	23 182 858,71	36 817 141,29	-27 000 000,00	-45,00 %	9 817 141,29
Payment - 32 03 01 - Nu	uclear safeguards			l l		
18 850 000,00	0,00	10 576 868,81	8 273 131,19	-3 000 000,00	-15,92 %	5 273 131,19
Payment - 32 03 03 - Nu	uclear decommissi	oning assistance	programme in Lithuania			
68 050 000,00	0,00	49 486 966,69	18 563 033,31	-13 780 000,00	-20,25 %	4 783 033,31
Payment - 32 03 04 01 -	- Kozloduy progran	nme		1		
54 350 000,00	0,00	12 187,00	54 337 813,00	-16 940 000,00	-31,17 %	37 397 813,00
Payment - 32 03 04 02 -	- Bohunice prograr	nme		<u> </u>		
43 450 000,00	-19 320 000,00	12 187,00	24 117 813,00	-23 640 000,00	-54,41 %	477 813,00
Payment - 32 04 03 01 -	- Making the transi	tion to a reliable, s	sustainable and competit	ive energy system	<u> </u>	
416 594 189,00	0,00	235 895 216,90	180 698 972,10	-52 000 000,00	-12,48 %	128 698 972,10
Payment - 33 02 01 - Er	nsuring the protect	ion of rights and	empowering citizens	<u> </u>		
30 000 000,00	0,00	18 263 262,03	11 736 737,97	4 600 000,00	15,33 %	16 336 737,97
Payment - 33 02 02 - Pr	omoting non-discr	imination and equ	ıality	1		
39 600 000,00	-828 273,26	19 904 076,24	18 867 650,50	3 000 000,00	7,58 %	21 867 650,50
Payment - 33 03 01 - Su	upporting and pron	noting judicial trai	ning and facilitating effec	ctive access to justice	e for all	
27 600 000,00	0,00	14 235 854,95	13 364 145,05	7 000 000,00	25,36 %	20 364 145,05
Payment - 33 03 02 - Fa	acilitating and supp	oorting judicial co	operation in civil and crir	ninal matters		
12 000 000,00	-210 000,00	8 234 729,39	3 555 270,61	3 000 000,00	25,00 %	6 555 270,61
			ling, programmatic devel	opment and commun	ication in the cor	ntext of the fight
against money launder 687 500,00	o,00	0,00	687 500,00	-687 500,00	-100,00 %	0,00
Payment - 33 04 01 - Sa	afeguarding consu	mers interest an	d improving their safety a	and information		
25 000 000,00	-240 724,45	15 766 558,68			2,80 %	9 692 716,87
Payment - 34 02 01 - Re	educing Union gree	enhouse gas emis	sions			
44 777 778,00	0,00	24 935 729,94	19 842 048,06	3 400 000,00	7,59 %	23 242 048,06

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Payment - 34 02 02 - Ir	Payment - 34 02 02 - Increasing the resilience of the Union to climate change								
24 087 302,00	0,00	20 394 997,97	3 692 304,03	8 700 000,00	36,12 %	12 392 304,03			
Payment - 34 02 03 - B	Payment - 34 02 03 - Better climate governance and information at all levels								
15 634 921,00	0,00	10 290 117,25	5 344 803,75	2 400 000,00	15,35 %	7 744 803,75			
Payment - 34 02 04 - C	Payment - 34 02 04 - Contribution to multilateral and international climate agreements								
910 000,00	0,00	900 444,36	9 555,64	-9 555,64	-1,05 %	0,00			
Payment - 40 02 41 - D	Payment - 40 02 41 - Differentiated appropriations								
65 303 000,00	0,00	0,00	65 303 000,00	-5 994 631,00	-9,18 %	59 308 369,00			
	Total DECREASE Payments -595 374 317,08								
	Total INCREASE Payments								
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# **Justifications**

## **Decreased 01 03 02**

#### Macro-financial assistance

The expected third tranche of the disbursement of Macro-financial assistance for Moldova was definitively cancelled, with no possibility of postponement. Therefore, payments for grants will only amount to EUR 15,7 million in 2020, and an amount of EUR 11,3 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### **Decreased 01 04 06**

## European Investment Advisory Hub (EIAH) and European Investment Project Portal (EIPP)

Due to the current Covid-19 circumstances and uncertainty in the European market, the European Investment Bank will not request the expected second subsequent pre-financing in 2020 but will report this request to next year.

The total European Investment Advisory Hub can therefore make available an amount of EUR 2,5 million in payments appropriations.

#### Decreased 02 04 02 01

### Leadership in space

The implementation of the procurement of Horizon 2020 contracts has been slower than expected. Many important procurements had to be delayed due to Brexit in view of the evaluation on the participation of the UK to sensitive security related contracts. Therefore, an amount of EUR 22,7 million can be made available.

#### Decreased 02 04 77 06

## Pilot project -- Space traffic management

The final pre-financing rate (30%) in the procurement of this pilot project is lower than the original pre-financing established (50%). Therefore, an amount of EUR 140 000 can be made available.

## Decreased 02 04 77 07

## Preparatory action -- Preparing the new EU GOVSATCOM programme

The delay in the signature of the contracts related to Govsatcom activities has resulted in a lower level of payment appropriations needed in 2020. The related contracts are expected to be signed by the end of this year and first prefinancings will take place in 2021. Therefore, an amount of EUR 3,2 million can be made available.

## Decreased 02 04 77 08

## Pilot project -- Aviation resilience to GNSS jamming and cyber-threats

The pre-financing of this pilot project originally foreseen in 2020 will take place in 2021. Therefore, an amount of EUR 375 000 in payment appropriations can be made available.

# **Decreased 02 07 01**

# **European Defence Industrial Development Programme (EDIDP)**

Following the delay in the finalisation of the pillar assessment of the "Organisation Conjointe de Coopération en matière d'Armement" (OCCAr) a large part of the payments has to be postponed until OCCAr is assessed to be fully pillar compliant (2021).

Part of the postponement has been compensated by further pre-financing of the competitive calls for proposals in order to support the defence industry in the current economic context. In this situation, the total payments for 2020 should be limited to EUR 179 million and an amount of EUR 20,7 million can be made available.

#### **Decreased 04 04 01**

# EGF -- to support workers and self-employed persons whose activity has ceased as a result of globalisation

The assigned revenues available on this budget line are sufficient to cover the payment needs until the end of 2020 as there is only one case for the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund in the pipeline (EGF/2020/001 ES/Galicia shipbuilding ancillary sectors). Therefore, an amount of EUR 9,7 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 05 05 03 02

# Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis

Due to a reduced payment forecast for the third quarter of 2020, and the availability of assigned revenue (not known at the time of the establishment of the 2020 budget), an amount of EUR 15 million can be made available.

#### Decreased 05 05 04 02

# Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis

Due to a reduced payment forecast for the third quarter of 2020, and the availability of assigned revenue (not known at the time of the establishment of the 2020 budget), an amount of EUR 50 million can be made available.

## Decreased 05 06 01

## International agricultural agreements

The EU contributions paid to the International Sugar Organisation, the International Grains Council and the International Olive Council were lower than estimated in the 2020 budget. Moreover, it will not be possible to use the amount of EUR 1 million budgeted in 2020 for the World Intellectual Property Organisation, as the Commission proposal to fix special contributions from members (including the EU) to cover the deficit of the Lisbon Union, has now become obsolete. An amount of EUR 1,6 million in payment appropriations can therefore be made available.

## Decreased 05 09 03 01

## Securing sufficient supplies of safe and high quality food and other bio-based products

An amount of EUR 10,4 million can be made available following beneficiaries requests to extend projects' duration due to the Covid-19 outbreak, and the resulting postponement of payment deadlines and final payments.

### Increased 06 02 01 03

# Optimising the integration and interconnection of transport modes and enhancing interoperability

The latest revision of the payment forecast for the Connecting Europe Facility support actions shows an additional need of EUR 1 million in payment appropriations.

# Increased 06 02 01 05

## Creating an environment more conducive to private investment for transport infrastructure projects

The payments for the Connecting Europe Facility Debt instrument were initially forecast for the year 2021. As the projects advanced at a faster pace than expected, the European Investment Bank is requesting the final payment of EUR 40,5 million already in 2020. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 33,8 million is needed.

### Decreased 06 02 03 01

## **European Maritime Safety Agency**

An amount of EUR 1 million in payment appropriations can be made available following the reprogramming of activities that could not take place due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The funds mainly relate to the expenditures for Cooperation on Coast Guard Functions. The other affected expenditure includes Information Services & Databases, Communication, Workshops & Training, and Studies in support of the Agency's operations and Operational missions.

#### Decreased 06 02 03 02

### **European Maritime Safety Agency -- Anti-pollution measures**

An amount of EUR 0,6 million in payment appropriations can be made available due to a number of activities that could not take place following travel restrictions.

#### Increased 06 03 03 01

## Achieving a resource-efficient, environmentally-friendly, safe and seamless European transport system

Based on the revised estimates, a reinforcement of EUR 2,7 million is needed to cover the invoices to be received by the end of the year.

#### Increased 07 02 01

# Contributing to a greener and more resource-efficient economy and to the development and implementation of Union environmental policy and legislation

In order to respond to the Covid-19 crisis and allow more liquidity for the beneficiaries of the EU LIFE programme, the Commission has decided to increase from 30% to 40% the pre-financing of all 2019 and 2020 LIFE calls for proposals. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 15 million in payment appropriations is needed in 2020.

# Increased 07 02 02

## Halting and reversing biodiversity loss

In order to respond to the Covid-19 crisis and allow more liquidity for the beneficiaries of the EU LIFE programme, the Commission has decided to increase from 30% to 40% the pre-financing of all 2019 and 2020 LIFE calls for proposals. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 11 million is needed in 2020.

## **Decreased 07 02 04**

#### Contribution to multilateral and international environment agreements

After the payment of all the outstanding invoices, there is a surplus of EUR 0,2 million on the budget line, corresponding to a reserve for exchange rate fluctuations.

#### Decreased 08 02 01 01

## Strengthening frontier research in the European Research Council

The European Research Council grant holders are mostly mono-beneficiaries. Therefore, issues faced by the beneficiaries due to the Covid-19 crisis (delays of project implementation) could not be compensated by other beneficiaries, less affected by the crisis, as it can be the case for multi-beneficiary grants on other budget lines. Hence, an amount of EUR 50.2 million can be made available.

#### Decreased 08 02 03 01

## Improving lifelong health and well-being

The amount of EUR 26,8 million can be made available due to a lower than expected payment request from the European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP), a public-private partnership supported by Horizon 2020 to develop the clinical research capacity in sub-Saharan Africa. Mainly due to the Covid-19 pandemic, delays have occurred in grant preparation and implementation (for example, delays in receiving necessary documents).

#### Decreased 08 03 01 01

#### **Euratom -- Fusion energy**

An amount of EUR 31,6 million in payment appropriations can be made available due to delays in the implementation of the contract for the operation of the Joint European Torus (JET) facilities by the UK Atomic Energy Authority. As milestones foreseen in the contract were not achieved in 2019, the European Commission has decided to suspend the contract's implementation, in accordance with the contract provision. The suspension applied from 1st January 2020 onwards and it is now expected that the contract will resume on the 1st October 2020. The amendment to the contract lifting the suspension includes an extension of duration as well as operational changes.

## Decreased 08 03 01 02

## **Euratom -- Nuclear fission and radiation protection**

The European Investment Bank (EIB), as entrusted entity for the implementation of the InnovFin financial instrument, reported that none of the operations related to the InnovFin window dedicated to Euratom will be mature enough to obtain an approval from the EIB Board of Directors by December 2020. Therefore, the appropriations corresponding to the InnovFin window dedicated to Euratom will not be implemented this year and the amount of EUR 20 million can be made available.

# Decreased 08 05 77 01

## Pilot project -- Research into reducing CO2 emissions in steel production

Upon consortium request, the starting date of the pilot project has been postponed from December 2019 to January 2020. Consequently, payments initially foreseen in 2020 have to be postponed to 2021, and an amount of EUR 0,5 million can be made available.

#### Decreased 09 02 77 12

### Pilot project -- EU-wide programming contest

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, most of the EU code hackathons/workshops have been postponed to 2021. One interim payment will be paid in 2020 to cover the work prior to the suspension of the workshops. Therefore, an amount of EUR 235 580 in payment appropriations can be made available.

## Decreased 09 02 77 13

# Pilot project -- EU grants for small-scale online media: supporting high-quality news products and tackling fake news

The call for proposal for this project is still to be launched. The award decision will be finalised end of 2020/beginning 2021 with the project due to start in the first quarter of 2021. Therefore, no payments will be made in 2020 and an amount of EUR 550 000 in payment appropriations can be made available.

# Decreased 09 02 77 14

## Pilot project -- Integrity of social media

The call for proposal for this project is still to be launched. The award decision will be finalised end of 2020/beginning 2021 with the project due to start in the first quarter of 2021. Therefore, no payments will be made in 2020 and an amount of EUR 225 000 in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 09 02 77 15

## Pilot project -- Smart urban mobility involving autonomous vehicles

The call for proposal for this project ends 18/9/2020. The award decision will be finalised by the end of 2020 with the project due to start in the first quarter of 2021. Therefore there will be no payments in 2020 and an amount of EUR 250 000 can be made available.

#### Decreased 09 02 77 16

## Pilot project -- Media ownership monitor

The call for proposal for this project is still to be launched. The award decision will be finalised end of 2020/beginning 2021 with the project due to start in the first quarter of 2021. Therefore no payments will be made in 2020 and an amount of EUR 250 000 in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 09 02 77 17

# Preparatory action -- Media councils in the digital age

No payments are expected in 2020 for this preparatory action. Therefore, an amount of EUR 125 000 in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 09 05 77 08

## Preparatory action -- Cinemas as innovation hubs for local communities

The Grant Agreements for this preparatory action were signed and the projects launched at the beginning of the second quarter of 2020. All pre-financing of 60% has been paid. Therefore, an amount of EUR 1 664 can be made available.

## Decreased 09 05 77 10

# Pilot project -- Supporting investigative journalism and media freedom in the EU

The Grant Agreements for this pilot project were signed and the projects launched in the second and third quarter of 2020. All pre-financing has been paid and the forecasted interim payments have been delayed to the first quarter of 2021. Therefore, an amount of EUR 335 054 in payment appropriations can be made available.

## Decreased 10 02 77 03

# Pilot project -- Implementation of the research methodology `Multidimensional Inequality Framework` research methodology for the European Union

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, workshops could not take place as planned or have been held as digital meetings, which led to lower expenses. Besides, the payments related to some IT expenses will only take place in 2021. Therefore, an amount of EUR 0,4 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 10 02 77 04

#### Pilot project -- Integrated techniques for the seismic strengthening and energy efficiency of existing buildings

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, workshops could not take place as planned or have been held as digital meetings, which led to lower expenses. Therefore, an amount of EUR 147 000 can be made available.

#### **Decreased 10 03 01**

### **Euratom activities of direct research**

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the execution of contracts has slowed down for some months and the situation is still not back to normal. As this budget is implemented mainly through procurement and payments on deliverables, it is not expected that the delays can be recovered by year-end. Therefore, an amount of EUR 2 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

# **Decreased 10 05 01**

## Decommissioning of Euratom obsolete nuclear facilities and final disposal of wastes

An amount of EUR 3,9 million in payment appropriations can be made available, for the following reasons:

- Delays in the construction of the German national repository KONRAD in Karlsruhe. The costs for the
  construction and operation actually incurred were significantly lower than the forecast. This difference had been
  partially anticipated, but actual underspending due to this lower invoice amounts to EUR 1,9 million;
- A new grouting station dedicated to production of conditioned final waste packages is under construction in Ispra. The conditioning of solid radioactive waste in specific type of containers shall be done by embedding the radioactive waste in cement mortar. Delays in the contract execution has been worsened by the lock down, which is still limiting actual physical work on-site. Payments are linked to pre-defined deliverables for the construction and therefore could not be implemented. In addition, maintenance operations for the Nuclear Decommissioning facilities were reduced to the minimum necessary during the lock down. These delays led to a surplus of EUR 2 million in payment appropriations.

#### Increased 12 02 01

## Implementation and development of the single market for financial services

A reinforcement of EUR 98 420 in payment appropriations is needed due to a higher amount of payments due on outstanding commitments. This is a consequence of an increase of the commitment appropriations in previous years.

#### Increased 14 02 01

## Supporting the functioning and modernisation of the customs union

Nearly 80% of the expenditure is linked to lengthy software development and testing cycles of the various IT systems, which make precise forecasts of payment appropriations particularly difficult. Since the start of 2020, there has been a significant increase in number and value of invoices for this budget line.

A reinforcement of EUR 18,3 million in payment appropriations is requested to cover the additional needs stemming from this higher than expected level of implementation and is paramount to allow finalising the Customs projects: 8 out of the 17 new IT systems required for the Union Customs Code will be delivered by end 2020.

## **Decreased 14 02 02**

## Membership of international organisations in the field of customs

Following the decision of the Council of the World Customs Organization (WCO) in June, the 2020 contribution to the WCO was not adjusted compared to last year's contribution. Hence, the amount of EUR 13 056 can be made available.

## Increased 14 03 01

## Improving the proper functioning of the taxation systems

Since the start of 2020, there has been a significant increase in number and value of invoices for this budget line. A reinforcement of EUR 3,5 million in payment appropriations is requested to cover the additional needs stemming from this higher than expected level of implementation.

## Increased 14 04 01

## Implementation and development of the internal market

Since the start of 2020, there has been a significant increase in number and value of invoices for this budget line. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 0,5 million is requested to cover additional needs stemming from this higher than expected level of implementation.

#### Decreased 16 03 01 02

### Information for the media and audiovisual productions

Due to the exceptional situation linked to the Covid-19 pandemic, many activities initially foreseen for 2020 have been cancelled or postponed. Accordingly, the payments expected in 2020 are lower than initially foreseen and an amount of EUR 1,5 in million payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 16 03 01 03

#### Information outlets

Due to the exceptional situation linked to the Covid-19 pandemic, many activities initially foreseen for 2020 have been cancelled or postponed. Accordingly, the payments expected in 2020 are lower than initially foreseen and an amount of EUR 1 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 16 03 01 04

## Communication of the Commission Representations, Citizens-- Dialogues and `Partnership` actions

Due to the exceptional situation linked to the Covid-19 pandemic, many activities initially foreseen for 2020 have been cancelled or postponed. Accordingly, the payments expected in 2020 are lower than initially foreseen. This budget line is particularly affected as many information events to citizens organized by Representations and Citizens' Dialogues have been cancelled in 2020. Therefore, an amount of EUR 7,5 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 16 03 02 02

## Operation of radio and television studios and audiovisual equipment

Due to the exceptional situation linked to the Covid-19 pandemic, many activities initially foreseen for 2020 have been cancelled or postponed. Accordingly, the payments expected in 2020 are lower than initially foreseen and an amount of EUR 0,9 million can be made available.

### Decreased 16 03 02 03

# Online and written information and communication tools

Due to the exceptional situation linked to the Covid-19 pandemic, many activities initially foreseen for 2020 have been cancelled or postponed. Accordingly, the payments expected in 2020 are lower than initially foreseen and an amount of EUR 1 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

## Decreased 16 03 02 05

# Public opinion analysis

Due to the exceptional situation linked to the Covid-19 pandemic, many activities initially foreseen for 2020 have been cancelled or postponed. Accordingly, the payments expected in 2020 are lower than initially foreseen and an amount of EUR 2,1 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

## Decreased 18 04 01 01

# Europe for citizens -- Strengthening remembrance and enhancing capacity for civic participation at the Union level

Due to some delays linked with the Covid-19 situation, the payment needs until the end of the year have decreased.. Therefore, an amount of EU 4,2 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

## Increased 19 02 01

## Response to crisis and emerging crisis

The implementation of the Instrument contributing to stability and peace is progressing more rapidly than previously estimated. Based on the revised forecast, a reinforcement of EUR 35 million is needed to proceed with cost claims and first pre-financings due in 2020.

#### **Decreased 19 04 01**

### Improving the reliability of electoral processes, in particular by means of election observation missions

As the actions linked to the Election Observation Missions (EOMs) take mainly place in the countries where the elections occur, this budget line was hugely affected by the consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic. Many missions were cancelled, delayed and changed. Therefore, EUR 28,5 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Increased 19 05 01

## Cooperation with third countries to advance and promote Union and mutual interests

Based on the revised forecast of payment, a reinforcement of EUR 3 million is requested to proceed with cost claims and first pre-financings, and to cover most urgent needs before the end of 2020.

### **Decreased 20 02 01**

## External trade relations, including access to the markets of third countries

The deployment and operation of the system for screening of foreign direct investments (FDI) has been delayed from last quarter of 2020 to first or second quarter of 2021. The signature of the framework contract is now foreseen for the end of November instead of September 2020. The commitment and the signature of the specific contract should follow shortly thereafter. This means that some of the payments will be delayed and processed only in 2021. In addition, costs have decreased since many events have been cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic, or have been replaced by virtual meetings.

For these reasons an amount of EUR 0,5 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 20 02 77 02

Pilot project -- Women and trade: creating a model chapter on gender in free trade agreements based on data on women participating in trade and women participating in the domestic economy

The final payment for one project was lower than estimated (EUR 18 037 instead of EUR 80 000). The unspent budget is mostly related to lower expenditure for in-country surveys, travel and translation. Moreover, the final payment for another project will be due only at the beginning of 2021. As a consequence, an amount of EUR 111 963 in payment appropriations can be made available.

## Increased 21 02 01

#### **Cooperation with Latin America**

The overall shortage of payment appropriations on the line is estimated at EUR 44 million. It is mainly linked to the need to frontload disbursements of budget support, normally planned for 2021, in order to allow partner countries to take immediate measures in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic. The countries affected are Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua and Peru.

Part of the needs (EUR 28 million) will be covered through a Commission autonomous transfer. In addition, an amount of EUR 5 million in payment appropriations is requested in the Global Transfer to cover most urgent payments needed before the end of 2020.

## Increased 21 02 02

### Cooperation with Asia

The overall shortage of payment appropriations on this budget line is estimated at EUR 126,5 million. It is mainly linked to the need to frontload disbursements of budget support, normally planned for 2021, in order to allow for immediate response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The countries affected are Nepal, Myanmar and Cambodia.

Part of the needs (EUR 41,5 million) will be covered through a Commission autonomous transfer. In addition, an amount of EUR 35 million is requested through the Global Transfer, and a reinforcement of EUR 50 million will be requested in the Draft Amending Budget 10 to cover most urgent payments needed before the end of 2020.

#### Increased 21 02 03

## **Cooperation with Central Asia**

The shortage of payment appropriations on this budget line is mainly linked to the need to frontload disbursements of budget support, normally planned for later years, in order to allow for immediate response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The countries affected are Tadzhikistan and Uzbekistan. A reinforcement of EUR 6 million is requested through the Global Transfer. In addition, an amount of EUR 15 million will be requested in the Draft Amending Budget 10 to cover most urgent payments needed before the end of 2020.

#### Increased 21 02 04

# **Cooperation with the Middle East**

The shortage of payment appropriations on this budget line is mainly linked to the need to frontload disbursements of budget support, normally planned for later years, in order to allow for immediate response to the Covid-19 pandemic in Yemen. A reinforcement of EUR 20 million in payment appropriations is therefore requested in the Global Transfer to cover most urgent payments needed before the end of 2020.

#### Increased 21 02 20

## Erasmus+ -- Contribution from the development cooperation instrument (DCI)

Following the updated forecasts received from the National Agencies (NA) implementing the Erasmus+ programme, additional payment appropriations are needed in order to pay the pre-financings requested by the NA and to ensure a smooth running of Erasmus+ activities. A reinforcement of EUR 2 million is therefore needed.

#### Increased 21 04 01

# Enhancing the respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms and supporting democratic reforms

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, a lot of contracting was frontloaded and more advance payments executed. Moreover, the funds not yet contracted at country level from the 2019 commitments (EUR 32 million) will be contracted by the end of 2020, which will also entail additional advance payments. A reinforcement of EUR 10 million is therefore needed, of which EUR 1 million will be implemented through a Commission autonomous transfer, and an amount of EUR 9 million is requested in the Global transfer.

#### **Decreased 21 06 01**

# Promotion of a high level of nuclear safety, radiation protection and the application of efficient and effective safeguards relating to nuclear material in third countries

Actions relating to the Instrument for Nuclear Safety Cooperation (INSC) have been severely impacted by the ongoing Covid-19 crisis. The nature of INSC operations (field visits, training of personnel, supply of equipment, safety assessments etc.) means that the implementation of a majority of projects has slowed down significantly. Therefore, the revised forecasts indicate that an amount of EUR 12 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### **Decreased 21 08 01**

## Evaluation of the results of Union aid and follow-up and audit measures

The surplus in payment appropriations is mainly due to two factors:

- some contracts (result oriented monitoring and evaluations) cannot be finalized in 2020 due to the Covid-19 crisis and the pre-financing payments initially envisaged cannot be paid:
- some contracts that were postponed from 2019 to 2020, were in turn delayed now due to the Covid-19 crisis with an impact on the use of 2020 payment appropriations.

Therefore, a total amount of EUR 9 million can be made available, of which EUR 2,5 million will cover needs through a Commission autonomous transfer. An amount of EUR 6,5 million can be made available for the Global transfer.

#### **Decreased 21 08 02**

# Coordination and promotion of awareness on development issues and on the enlargement and neighbourhood policies

The finalisation of some contracts was delayed due to the Covid-19 crisis. Therefore, a total amount of EUR 2,5 million can be made available, of which EUR 1,3 million will cover needs through a Commission autonomous transfer. An amount of EUR 1,2 million can be made available for the Global transfer.

#### Decreased 21 09 51 01

#### Asia

The surplus of EUR 0,4 million in payment appropriations is due to over-optimistic forecasting. An amount of EUR 0,2 million will cover needs through a Commission autonomous transfer. Therefore, an amount of EUR 0,2 million can be made available for the Global transfer.

#### Decreased 21 09 51 02

#### **Latin America**

The surplus of EUR 1 million in payment appropriations is due to over-optimistic forecasting. An amount of EUR 0,1 million will cover needs through a Commission autonomous transfer. Therefore, an amount of EUR 0,9 million can be made available for the Global transfer.

#### Increased 22 02 03 02

# Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union acquis

The remaining part of the commitment for the 2016 special measure to support refugees in Turkey has to be paid to the EU Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian crisis (EUTF Madad). The timely payment of this invoice is important in the context of the frontloading of operations as part of the Global Response to the Covid-19 crisis, as announced in the early summer for the Madad Trust Fund's activities. The payment implementation of the EUTF Madad in 2020 was much higher than expected at the time of the establishment of the Draft Budget 2020. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 100 million is requested in the Global transfer.

Moreover, there is a need for additional payment appropriations under this budget line due to reprogramming, increase of pre-financing payments and of indirect management mode with the beneficiary country in order to speed up payments to address the Covid-19 crisis. This additional reinforcement of EUR 90 million in payment appropriations will be requested in the Draft Amending Budget 10.

#### Increased 22 04 01 01

# Mediterranean countries -- Human rights, good governance and mobility

In order to help partner countries deal with the economic, social and health consequences of the Covid-19 crisis, the Commission has been modifying on-going programmes in order to speed up their implementation and the related payments. In particular, the requirements for the disbursement of budget support tranches of a programme for Morocco have been modified. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 52 million in payment appropriations is needed, of which EUR 15 million will be covered through a Commission autonomous transfer, and EUR 37 million is requested in the Global transfer.

## Increased 22 04 01 02

## Mediterranean countries -- Poverty reduction and sustainable development

In order to help partner countries deal with the economic, social and health consequences of the Covid-19 crisis, the Commission has been modifying on-going programmes in order to speed up their implementation and the related payments. In particular, several budget support programmes for Morocco, Tunisia, Jordan and Algeria have been topped-up and their requirements for disbursement have been modified. In addition, other on-going regional and national programmes for the benefit of small and medium enterprises for example have been topped up and related payments increased and accelerated.

Therefore, an overall reinforcement of EUR 325 million in payment appropriations is needed, of which EUR 25 million will be covered through a Commission autonomous transfer, EUR 79 million are requested in the Global transfer, and EUR 221 million will be requested in the Draft Amending Budget 10.

#### Increased 22 04 02 01

## Eastern Partnership -- Human rights, good governance and mobility

In order to help partner countries deal with the economic, social and health consequences of the Covid-19 crisis, the Commission has been modifying on-going programmes in order to speed up their implementation and the related payments. In particular, several budget support programmes for Armenia have been topped-up and their requirements for disbursement have been modified. In addition, an on-going programme for the stabilisation and growth in Ukraine has been topped up and the related payments increased and accelerated.

Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 38 million in payment appropriations is requested in the Global transfer.

#### Increased 22 04 02 02

## Eastern Partnership -- Poverty reduction and sustainable development

In order to help partner countries deal with the economic, social and health consequences of the Covid-19 crisis, the Commission has been modifying on-going programmes in order to speed up their implementation and the related payments. In particular, several budget support programmes for Armenia and Georgia have been topped up and their requirements for disbursement have been modified. In addition, several programmes for resilience and stability (Ukraine East, Armenia), for small and medium enterprises and businesses (Armenia) have been topped up and the related payments increased and accelerated.

Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 137 million is needed, of which EUR 72 million is requested in the Global transfer and EUR 65 million will be requested in the Draft Amending Budget 10.

## Increased 22 04 03 01

# Cross-border cooperation (CBC) -- Contribution from Heading 4

When preparing the budget, the Commission did a prudent estimation of the needs for payment appropriations on this budget line, in light of previous years' implementation and experience with the accuracy of Member States' forecasts. However, project implementation has gathered speed in 2020 and the Managing Authorities have requested the full amount of pre-financing due in 2020. A reinforcement of EUR 24 million in payment appropriations is therefore needed.

# Increased 22 04 03 04

## Other multi-country cooperation in the neighbourhood -- Supporting measures

There are increased payment needs related to regional measures put in place to help partner countries in the Neighbourhood deal with the economic and social consequences of the Covid-19 crisis. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 13 million in payment appropriations is needed, of which EUR 8 million will covered through a Commission autonomous transfer, and EUR 5 million is requested in the Global Transfer.

#### Decreased 23 03 01 01

## Disaster prevention and preparedness within the Union

The payment forecast has been reduced by EUR 60 million for the following reasons:

- Member States requested lower level of pre-financing on the stockpiling contracts;
- Delays in the purchase of 2 Canadairs, resulting in the postponement to 2021 of the pre-financing initially foreseen for 2020;
- Delays in the implementation of some grant contracts, which result in having to postpone the interim and final payments to 2021;
- Signature and pre-financing of the medical evacuation services (Medevac) contract with Germany postponed to 2021;
- Some final payments related to 2016-2017 contracts were not paid (or partially paid) following analysis of final report.

#### Decreased 23 03 77 04

## Preparatory action -- Network of European hubs for civil protection and crisis management

An amount of EUR 17 750 in payment appropriations can be made available because the contract, which has been closed, resulted in a lower consumption of funds.

#### **Decreased 24 02 01**

# Preventing and combating fraud, corruption and any other illegal activities affecting the Union's financial interests

Due to the Covid-19 measures, OLAF could not implement the budget related to the Hercule programme as planned. In the course of 2020, it was not possible to organise the planned conferences and the Digital Forensic & Analyst trainings, OLAF's flagship. Therefore, an amount of EUR 1 million can be made available.

#### **Decreased 26 02 01**

### Procedures for awarding and advertising public supply, works and service contracts

Following the postponement of the eNotices2 project, initially planned in 2019 and launched in May 2020, some payments will be postponed to 2021. Therefore, an amount of EUR 250 000 can be made available.

## Increased 26 03 01

# Interoperability solutions and common frameworks for European public administrations, businesses and citizens (ISA²)

A reinforcement of EUR 6 million in payment appropriations is needed for the following reasons:

- The accelerated implementation rate of the programme due to the end of the current Multiannual Financial Framework:
- Many projects are catching up previous years' delays;
- More short-terms contracts have been signed than initially planned, leading to faster implementation rate.

#### Increased 26 03 77 06

## Preparatory action -- Governance and quality of software code -- Auditing of free and open-source software

Based on an updated estimation, a reinforcement of EUR 172 000 is needed to pay the invoices due by the end of the year.

#### Increased 26 03 77 09

## Preparatory action -- Data analytics solutions for policymaking

Based on an updated estimation, a reinforcement of EUR 15 000 is needed to pay the invoices due by the end of the year.

#### **Decreased 29 02 01**

# Providing quality statistical information, implementing new methods of production of European statistics and strengthening the partnership within the European Statistical System

Difficulties in the implementation of the ongoing grants for actions awarded to National Statistical Institutes due to the Covid-19 pandemic will lead to the postponement of payments to 2021. In addition, pre-financings originally planned for the end of 2020 will be postponed due to some delays in the publications and signature of the grant agreements. Therefore, an amount of EUR 6 million can be made available.

#### Decreased 32 02 01 01

# Further integration of the internal energy market and the interoperability of electricity and gas networks across borders

The energy strand of the Connecting Europe Facility was increased in both commitments and payments during the conciliation procedure of the budget 2020. Commitment appropriations were used in 2020 as the calls for proposals were launched during the year. However, the related first pre-financings will only take place in 2021. Therefore, an amount of EUR 18,5 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

### Decreased 32 02 01 02

## **Enhancing Union security of energy supply**

The energy strand of the Connecting Europe Facility was increased in both commitments and payments during the conciliation procedure of the draft budget 2020. Commitment appropriations were used in 2020 as the calls for proposals were launched during the year. However, the related first pre-financings will only take place in 2021. Therefore, an amount of EUR 5,8 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 32 02 01 03

## Contributing to sustainable development and protection of the environment

The energy strand of the Connecting Europe Facility was increased in both commitments and payments during the conciliation procedure of the draft budget 2020. Commitment appropriations were used in 2020 as calls for proposals were launched during the year. However, the related first pre-financings will only take place in 2021. Therefore, an amount of EUR 5,8 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

## **Increased 32 02 10**

## Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER)

The Agency faces a steep increase in appeals against its decisions stemming from the implementation of the new Clean Energy Package. Needs for the first half of the year have been funded through savings, but savings identified for the second half of the year are insufficient to cover the remaining needs, in particular legal counsel and translation services for decisions and appeals. Therefore, a reinforcement of EUR 0,4 million is requested.

# **Decreased 32 02 52**

## Completion of energy projects to aid economic recovery

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the progress in the implementation of the last projects is slower than expected, thus creating delays in the submission of payment requests. Therefore, the revision of payment forecast indicates a surplus of EUR 27 million that can be made available.

## **Decreased 32 03 01**

## **Nuclear safeguards**

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, some deliveries of instruments, equipment and material foreseen initially before December 2020 will be delivered after this date and thus paid in 2021. There is also a decrease of the budget needed for the inspection missions. Therefore, an amount of EUR 3 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### **Decreased 32 03 03**

## Nuclear decommissioning assistance programme in Lithuania

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the anticipated acceleration of the implementation of the decommissioning programmes did not materialise. This affected the physical delivery of material and presence of foreign experts on site. It also delayed pre-financings paid by Euratom in relation to procurement procedures that were extended, delayed or suspended to alleviate economic operators and national authorities constraints. Therefore, an amount of EUR 13,8 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 32 03 04 01

### Kozloduy programme

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the anticipated acceleration of the implementation of the decommissioning programmes did not materialise. This affected the physical delivery of material and presence of foreign experts on site. It also delayed pre-financings paid by Euratom in relation to procurement procedures that were extended, delayed or suspended to alleviate economic operators and national authorities constraints. Therefore, an amount of EUR 16,9 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

#### Decreased 32 03 04 02

## **Bohunice** programme

Due to the Covid-19 crisis, the anticipated acceleration of the implementation of the decommissioning programmes did not materialise. This affected the physical delivery of material and presence of foreign experts on site. It also delayed pre-financings paid by Euratom in relation to procurement procedures that were extended, delayed or suspended to alleviate economic operators and national authorities constraints. Therefore, an amount of EUR 23,6 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

## Decreased 32 04 03 01

## Making the transition to a reliable, sustainable and competitive energy system

Due to the Covid-19 crisis the progress of several projects was delayed leading to a postponement in the requests for interim payments. In addition, the signature of grant agreements was also delayed, leading to a postponement in the requests for pre-financing. Therefore, an amount of EUR 52 million in payment appropriations can be made available.

## Increased 33 02 01

### Ensuring the protection of rights and empowering citizens

A reinforcement of EUR 4,6 million in payment appropriations is needed to honour outstanding and future legal commitments and for pre-financings of the projects from 2020 calls for proposals.

## **Increased 33 02 02**

## Promoting non-discrimination and equality

A reinforcement of EUR 3 million in payment appropriations is needed to honour outstanding and future legal commitments and for pre-financings of the projects from 2020 calls for proposals.

# Increased 33 03 01

## Supporting and promoting judicial training and facilitating effective access to justice for all

A reinforcement of EUR 7 million in payment appropriations is needed to honour outstanding and future legal commitments and for pre-financings of the projects from 2020 calls for proposals.

#### **Increased 33 03 02**

## Facilitating and supporting judicial cooperation in civil and criminal matters

A reinforcement of EUR 7 million in payment appropriations is needed to honour outstanding and future legal commitments and for pre-financings of the projects from 2020 calls for proposals.

#### Decreased 33 03 77 08

# Preparatory action -- Capacity building, programmatic development and communication in the context of the fight against money laundering and financial crimes

A call for tenders was launched combining the budget of 2019 (EUR 1 million) and 2020 (EUR 750 000) for this preparatory action. The deadline for submission of tenders is 8 October and therefore the payment appropriations will not be used this year and an amount of EUR 0,7 million can be made available.

#### **Increased 33 04 01**

### Safeguarding consumers-- interest and improving their safety and information

A reinforcement of EUR 0,7 million in payment appropriations is needed to honour outstanding and future legal commitments as well as for pre-financings of projects from 2020 calls for proposals .

#### Increased 34 02 01

### Reducing Union greenhouse gas emissions

The reinforcement need of EUR 3,4 million is mainly due to two factors that were not known when the draft budget 2020 was prepared:

- a change in the spending pattern for funds related to the financial instrument Private Finance for Energy Efficiency (PF4EE), where grants were used instead. These grants require a pre-financing between 20% and 40% upon signature of the agreement;
- the decision, following the Covid-19 pandemic, to increase from 30% to 40% the pre-financing of traditional grants concluded under calls for proposal 2019 and 2020.

## **Increased 34 02 02**

## Increasing the resilience of the Union to climate change

The reinforcement need of EUR 8,7 million is mainly due to two factors that were not known when the draft budget 2020 was prepared:

- a change in the spending pattern for funds related to the financial instrument Private Finance for Energy Efficiency (PF4EE), where grants were used instead. These grants require a pre-financing between 20% and 40% upon signature of the agreement;
- the decision, following the Covid-19 pandemic, to increase from 30% to 40% the pre-financing of traditional grants concluded under calls for proposal 2019 and 2020.

## Increased 34 02 03

## Better climate governance and information at all levels

The reinforcement need of EUR 2,4 million is mainly due to two factors that were not known when the draft budget 2020 was prepared:

- a change in the spending pattern for funds related to the financial instrument Private Finance for Energy Efficiency (PF4EE), where grants were used instead. These grants require a pre-financing between 20% and 40% upon signature of the agreement;
- the decision, following the Covid-19 pandemic, to increase from 30% to 40% the pre-financing of traditional grants concluded under calls for proposal 2019 and 2020.

# **Decreased 34 02 04**

# Contribution to multilateral and international climate agreements

All commitments and payments to multilateral and international climate agreements due for 2020 have been made. Hence, the amount of EUR 9 556 in payment appropriations can be made available.

# **Decreased 40 02 41**

## **Differentiated appropriations**

Following a review of the payments needs for the protocols related to the Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreements (SFPAs) until the end of the year, an amount of EUR 6 million in payment appropriations will not be used and can be made available.