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SECTION III

(INTEGRATION OF AGREED AMENDMENTS ON DB OR COUNCIL'S POSITION)

Subitem XX 01 01 01 01 — Remuneration and allowances

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 175 712 000	2 168 712 000	2 175 712 000	2 175 712 000	2 151 968 000

Subitem XX 01 01 01 02 — Expenses and allowances related to recruitment, transfers and termination of service

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
12 073 000	12 073 000	12 073 000	12 073 000	11 968 000

Subitem XX 01 01 01 03 — Adjustments to remuneration

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
27 294 000	27 294 000	27 294 000	27 294 000	26 996 000

Subitem XX 01 01 02 01 — Remuneration and allowances

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
129 397 000	129 397 000	129 397 000	129 397 000	128 015 000

Subitem XX 01 01 02 02 — Expenses and allowances related to recruitment, transfers and termination of service

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
8 194 000	8 194 000	8 194 000	8 194 000	8 159 000

Subitem XX 01 01 02 03 — Appropriations to cover any adjustments to remuneration

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
1 558 000	1 558 000	1 558 000	1 558 000	1 541 000

Subitem XX 01 02 01 01 — Contract staff

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
76 620 000	73 920 000	76 620 000	76 620 000	76 546 000

Subitem XX 01 02 01 02 — Agency staff and technical and administrative assistance in support of different activities

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
21 853 000	21 853 000	21 853 000	21 853 000	21 151 000

Subitem XX 01 02 01 03 — National civil servants temporarily assigned to the institution

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
39 449 000	39 449 000	39 449 000	39 449 000	39 029 000

Subitem XX 01 02 11 02 — Conferences, meetings and expert groups' expenses

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
20 993 000	20 993 000	26 493 000	20 993 000	20 993 000

Subitem XX 01 03 01 04 — Information and communication technology services

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
86 392 000	81 492 000	86 392 000	86 392 000	86 392 000

Article 01 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the 'Economic and financial affairs' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
72 126 934	71 901 128	72 126 934	72 126 934	71 340 664

Item 01 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
3 474 883	3 390 508	3 474 883	3 474 883	3 474 883

Item 01 01 03 01 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services, and specific expenditure

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
4 731 358	4 573 293	4 731 358	4 731 358	4 731 358

Article 01 03 02 — Macro-financial assistance

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
27 000 000	27 000 000	27 000 000	27 000 000	27 000 000	27 000 000	27 000 000	27 000 000	20 000 000	27 000 000

Remarks:

Macro-financial assistance ('MFA') is a form of financial aid extended by the Union to partner countries experiencing a balance of payments crisis. MFA is designed for countries geographically, economically and politically close to the Union. These include candidate and potential candidate countries, countries covered by the European Neighbourhood Policy and, in certain circumstances, other third countries. In principle, MFA is only available to countries benefiting from an International Monetary Fund programme.

MFA is exceptional in nature and is mobilised on a case-by-case basis to help countries dealing with serious balance-of-payments difficulties. Its objective is to restore a sustainable external financial situation, while encouraging economic adjustments and structural reforms.

While MFA can take the form of medium/long-term loans or grants, or a combination of these, this article only covers the grant element of MFA operations.

Appropriations under this article will also be used to cover costs incurred in relation to MFA operations, and in particular: (i) costs incurred to conduct operational assessments in the beneficiary countries to obtain reasonable assurances on the functioning of administrative procedures and financial circuits, (ii) costs related to the implementation of the 'Better Regulation' guidelines, in particular for ex-post evaluations of MFA operations, and (iii) costs to cover comitology requirements.

The Commission will inform the budgetary authority regularly of the macro-financial situation of the beneficiary countries and will report extensively on the implementation of MFA on a yearly basis.

Any revenue entered in Article 5 5 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations in accordance with point (a) of Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Decision No 778/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 August 2013 providing further macro-financial assistance to Georgia (OJ L 218, 14.8.2013, p. 15).

Decision No 1025/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2013 providing macro-financial assistance to the Kyrgyz Republic (OJ L 283, 25.10.2013, p. 1).

Decision No 534/2014/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 providing macro-financial assistance to Tunisia (OJ L 151, 21.5.2014, p. 9).

Decision (EU) 2015/601 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 April 2015 providing macro-financial assistance to Ukraine (OJ L 100, 17.4.2015, p. 1).

Decision (EU) 2016/1112 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2016 providing further macro-financial assistance to Tunisia (OJ L 186, 9.7.2016, p. 1).

Decision (EU) 2016/2371 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 December 2016 providing further macro-financial assistance to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan (OJ L 352, 23.12.2016, p. 18).

Decision (EU) 2017/1565 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 September 2017 on providing macro-financial assistance to the Republic of Moldova (OJ L 242, 20.9.2017, p. 14).

Decision (EU) 2018/598 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 April 2018 providing further macro-financial assistance to Georgia (OJ L 103, 23.4.2018, p. 8).

Decision (EU) 2018/947 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2018 providing further macro-financial assistance to Ukraine (OJ L 171, 6.7.2018, p. 11).

Article 01 04 05 — Provisioning of the EFSI guarantee fund

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
152 852 000	1 088 216 000	62 852 000	1 088 216 000	152 852 000	2 036 216 000	152 852 000	1 088 216 000	152 852 000	1 088 216 000

Item 01 04 77 03 — Pilot project — Model social impact approaches to social housing and empowerment of Roma: testing the use of innovative financial instruments for better social outcomes

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

For concentrated groups of European citizens, housing deprivation has been a constant for decades. Roma are one of the minority groups in Europe with the highest rates of poverty and social exclusion. Despite long-standing efforts, including the EU framework for national Roma integration strategies (NRIS) for 2020, introduced as long ago as in 2011, tackling the socio-economic exclusion of and discrimination against Roma remains an objective.

The implementation of NRIS has hitherto largely relied on grant funding from European structural and investment funds (ESIF). The use of ESIF funds has unfortunately been limited by the lack of political commitment and capacity of national and regional authorities in charge of managing the funds. Scarce use has been made of financial instruments to date, such as loans and guarantees, to promote the socio-economic inclusion of marginalised Roma communities.

This pilot project is part of the European Union's efforts to:

- Support social innovation and new, holistic approaches to social service provision, the empowerment of disadvantaged groups and delivering transformative solutions for key social challenges, in particular Roma inclusion;
- Stimulate cross-sectoral collaborations and social impact partnerships (public-private and civic engagement) as a new avenue for public value creation;
- Pioneer the use of new financial instruments and blended support (financial instruments, grant and capacity building) for projects with high social externalities;
- In the longer term, support the development of the social investment market and social impact interventions through testing/refinement of a model which could be scaled up across Europe under, for example, the future single EU investment programme (InvestEU).

The InvestEU programme could be a game changer, with financial allocation to support social infrastructure (namely housing, health and education facilities), social innovation and social impact schemes. The next integrated investment programme of the EU could offer a significant opportunity to make progress in achieving the inclusion of Roma.

Scope of the pilot project:

This project will develop a housing model solution and improved life opportunities for a selected group of marginalised Roma communities. The target beneficiaries will typically reside in unregulated/illegal

outsider settlements and face adversity as regards access to income/gainful employment opportunities and to other inclusion opportunities.

In essence, this is a multiphase model which involves the preparation (in terms of financial literacy, motivation, job assistance and life skills, and construction assistance) of Roma families on the path to home ownership and empowerment.

Activities will therefore include:

- The provision of financial education, job assistance and life skills training for selected participants from a disadvantaged background who are enrolled in the programme;
- Support for savings schemes for each family, for about one year, to enable loan payments to be made for construction materials for new homes;
- Engagement with public authorities for the allocation of land for the intervention, and providing training to public authorities so that they can implement and manage inclusion/desegregation programmes and further provide social services to the local community.

This multiphase model will trial innovative approaches combining financial instruments (loans, guarantees, etc.), grants and capacity building assistance.

The pilot may be carried out in partnership with an implementing organisation. Under a single grant contract with the Commission, the selected implementing partner would channel the support via:

- A guarantee for de-risking portfolios of social housing loans to targeted beneficiaries, accounting for some 25% of the budget; and
- Capacity building grants for NGOs providing coaching/mentoring services to municipalities, enabling the purchase of apartments/houses, constructions (provision of land and necessary infrastructure) and local Roma communities for financial literacy and construction training, employment and civic education, accounting for some 75% of the budget.

Activities will be closely aligned with and complement current pilot projects for Roma inclusion (ROMACT), cohesion policy funding tools which could be mobilised as a result, as well as relevant desegregation guidance and holistic approaches to local development principles.

The pilot project will test and develop integrated social finance models as part of a multicountry, pan-European approach, possibly as a pilot for a combined financial/advisory product under the InvestEU Programme post-2020. This should complement cohesion funding support and reinforce the objectives of social inclusion, desegregation, access to education, employment support and regional development. It could also provide models for replication under social outcome contracting mechanisms.

After being tested at multiple sites with substantial Roma communities, it will expand to different locations within the countries with substantial Roma communities (e.g. East Slovakia, East Czechia, Bulgaria, Romania and Hungary) and be replicated in an urban context.

Activities will be closely aligned with and complement current pilot projects for Roma inclusion (ROMACT) and additional Cohesion policy funding tools which could be mobilised. The pilot project will also contribute to policy development in the area of homelessness and housing exclusion and support preparation of the post-2020 EU framework for NRIS.

Target groups:

- Marginalised Roma families, as one of the most excluded groups in Europe, whose fate embodies one of the most acute social challenges in central and eastern European countries and, indeed, the EU;
- Public authorities, financial intermediaries and social impact actors (foundations, service providers).

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 02 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Internal market, industry, entrepreneurship and SMEs’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
91 369 060		91 143 254		91 369 060		91 369 060		90 373 028	

Item 02 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
7 088 788		7 004 413		7 088 788		7 088 788		7 088 788	

Article 02 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Internal market, industry, entrepreneurship and SMEs’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
5 993 597		5 835 532		5 993 597		5 993 597		5 993 597	

Article 02 02 01 — Promoting entrepreneurship and improving the competitiveness and access to markets of Union enterprises

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
135 298 400	143 261 000	135 298 400	143 261 000	145 298 400	148 261 000	135 298 400	143 261 000	135 298 400	143 261 000

Article 02 02 02 — Improving access to finance for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the form of equity and debt

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
264 160 000	210 000 000	244 160 000	204 000 000	304 160 000	230 000 000	264 160 000	210 000 000	269 160 000	215 000 000

Item 02 02 77 39 — Pilot project — Quality of service in tourism

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	120 000	p.m.	120 000	350 000	295 000	p.m.	120 000	350 000	207 500

Item 02 02 77 41 — Preparatory action — Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs Global / ALECO (Achieve Leadership in Entrepreneurship and Cooperation Opportunities)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 200 000	1 100 000			2 200 000	550 000

Remarks:

The preparatory action will build on the success of the EYE Global (ALECO) pilot project. It will contribute towards achieving EU objectives in the field of entrepreneurship and economic growth by supporting the creation of start-ups across the EU.

The action is a one-way mobility scheme for new EU entrepreneurs providing for a stay of up to three months in the US, Canada, Singapore or South Korea. The destination countries have been selected on the basis of the progress made by the current pilot, trade relevance (including the existence of Free-Trade Agreements) and the existence of advanced start-up support ecosystems.

Up to 350 candidates from EU Member States will be selected from the target group and given the opportunity to gain experience from successful and experienced host entrepreneurs and to interact with the host's start-up ecosystem.

The target group of participants includes profiles with the following eligibility criteria: 1. Future entrepreneurs with ready-to-implement business plans and giving a binding commitment to start up a firm; 2. Entrepreneurs who have started a business in the last three years, either alone or in partnership.

The Union budget will support the participating entrepreneurs by covering travel costs and subsistence costs in the chosen destinations for the duration of their stay and by funding the necessary measures to identify host entrepreneurs and promote the programme in the destination countries.

Arrangements for implementation of the action will build on existing arrangements for the EYE Global pilot, including delegation to the relevant executive agency where applicable, with provision being made for resources to be adjusted where necessary.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 02 02 77 42 — Pilot project — Smart destinations

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

A smart destination is the result of several factors, including information and communication technologies that promote an innovative territory, cooperation and co-creation, mainly by visitors. On the basis of an understanding of this aspect, accessibility is one of the features of an intelligent tourist destination, both physically and virtual. Smartness enhances the quality of the experience at the destination for both visitors and residents.

A smart city can be seen as an urban space that takes advantage of information and communication technologies and data science to answer today's challenges, namely to become more efficient in services and infrastructure management and to deliver enhanced quality of life to the people who live or work in the city or visit the city, including support for combating climate change.

In this context, city authorities are under pressure and are going through a digital transformation process that is reflected in the proliferation of smart-cities initiatives around the world. This is part of the strategic response to the challenges and opportunities of growing urbanisation and climate change, together with the emergence of cities as a space for social and economic development framed by an urgent need for global sustainability.

This study will cover a concept of urban intelligence and its building blocks that result from the city digital transformation process, which will lead to a paradigm shift turning the city into a platform where urban planning and management for sustainability is supported by urban analytics and real-time data.

With that in mind, a study will be carried out on the basis of an implementation plan in a specific city/region with a view to ensuring:

- Quantitative and qualitative data on tourism and smart destinations;
- Better knowledge of the impact of tourism;
- The development and creation of a European methodology of tourism analysis based on big data applied at EU level for smart destinations;
- Better research and development for solutions designed at EU level;

- Scope for local testing and future applicability (implementation plan in a specific city).

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 02 03 01 — Operation and development of the internal market of goods and services

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
32 027 000	26 610 000	24 027 000	24 110 000	32 027 000	26 610 000	32 027 000	26 610 000	31 027 000	25 810 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure arising in connection with measures contributing to the completion of the internal market and its operation and development:

- measures intended to make the operation of the internal market more effective and to ensure that citizens and businesses have access to the most extensive rights and opportunities resulting from the opening up and deepening of the internal market without borders and are able to exercise those rights and take advantage of those opportunities in full; and monitoring and evaluation measures relating to the practical exercise by citizens and businesses of their rights and opportunities with a view to identifying and facilitating the removal of any obstacles which may be preventing them from exercising those rights in full;
- approximation of standards and maintenance and development of an information system for technical standards and regulations, examination of the rules notified by Member States, EFTA States and Turkey and translation of the draft technical regulations and related final texts;
- financing of administrative and technical coordination and of cooperation between the notified bodies, grants in support of the European Technical Approval Organisation (EOTA), and of projects of Union interest undertaken by outside bodies;
- application of Union legislation on medical devices, cosmetics, foodstuffs, textile products, chemicals, classification and labelling of substances and mixtures, motor vehicles, toys, legal metrology, pre-packaging and the quality of the environment, aerosol dispensers, and information and publicity measures for greater awareness of Union legislation;
- a comprehensive review of regulations with a view to making necessary changes and producing an overall analysis of the effectiveness of the measures taken to further the sound operation of the internal market and an evaluation of the overall impact of the internal market on businesses and the economy, including the purchase of data and access by Commission departments to external databases, as well as targeted actions aimed at improving understanding of the functioning of the internal market and rewarding active participation in fostering its functioning;
- greater sectorial approximation in the fields of application of the ‘new approach’ directives, especially the extension of the ‘new approach’ to other sectors;
- measures implementing Regulation (EC) No 765/2008, both for the infrastructures and market surveillance, and Regulation (EC) No 764/2008, for procedures relating to the application of certain national technical rules to products lawfully marketed in another Member State, and implementation of the corresponding part of the Communication on the ‘Goods Package’ (Commission Communication of 19 December 2017 (COM(2017) 787 final)), including the preparation for the implementation of both legislative proposals mentioned therein (COM(2017)795 final - 2017/0353 (COD) and COM(2017)796 final - 2017/0354 (COD));

- implementation and monitoring of other Union legislation in the area of the single market for goods, in particular Council Regulation (EC) No 2679/98 and Directives 85/374/EEC and 2014/60/EU;
- the development of a unified area for security and defence, with measures implementing Directive 2009/43/EC simplifying terms and conditions of transfers of defence-related products within the Union and actions working towards the coordination of public procurement procedures for these products at Union level, as well as, where appropriate, devising studies and awareness-raising measures regarding the application of the legislation adopted;
- participation in the negotiation of agreements on mutual recognition and, under European agreements, support for the associate countries to allow them to adopt the *acquis* of the Union;
- implementation measures for Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, especially those resulting from the 2017 REACH REFIT evaluation as well as the 2013 REACH review (Commission Report of 5 February 2013 (COM(2013) 49 final));
- implementation and monitoring of the provisions in the area of public procurement especially in relation to the transposition (completeness and compliance) of the Directives 2014/23/EU, 2014/24/EU and 2014/25/EU;
- actions related to the implementation of Directive 2014/60/EU;
- implementing and monitoring the provisions governing public contracts with a view to ensuring their optimum operation and that tenders are genuinely open, including the awareness-raising and training of the various parties to these contracts; the introduction and use of new technologies in the various fields of operation of these contracts; the continuous adaptation of the legislative and regulatory framework in the light of developments arising from these contracts, particularly the globalisation of markets and existing or future international agreements;
- strengthening administrative cooperation through, inter alia, the Internal Market Information System (IMI), the deepening of knowledge of internal market legislation in the Member States and its sound application by them, and support for administrative cooperation between the authorities responsible for implementing legislation relating to the internal market with a view to achieving the Lisbon strategic goals as set out in the annual policy strategy;
- part of this appropriation will be used to achieve a similar level of implementation and enforcement of Union legislation by national bodies in order to fight distortions of competition and to contribute to a level playing field;
- reinforcing single market tools that make consumers and business more aware of internal market rules and enable them to enforce their rights, and that allow for better cooperation between the relevant national authorities;
- guaranteeing the completion and management of the internal market, especially in the fields of free movement of services, especially cross-border, recognition of professional qualifications, and intellectual and industrial property, in particular the development of proposals for establishing a Union patent;
- analysis of the effects of removing obstacles to the internal market for services and of the effects of measures in place as part of the follow-up to the progressive liberalisation of postal services, coordination of Union policies on postal services with regard to international systems and in particular with regard to participants in Universal Postal Union (UPU) activities, cooperation with central and eastern European countries, as well as analysis of practical implications of the application of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) provisions to the postal sector and overlap with UPU regulations;

- actions related to the implementation of the new Fertilising Products Regulation which will replace Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003;
- actions related to the implementation of the EU Action Plan for the Circular Economy.

This appropriation is also intended to cover expenditure on consultations, studies, evaluations, meetings of experts, information and publications directly linked to the achievement of the objective of the programme or measures coming under this article, as maintenance, updating and development of informatics systems related to technical regulations or linked to putting into place and monitoring policies launched within the framework of the internal market, and any other expenditure on technical and administrative assistance not involving public authority tasks.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this article. By way of information, those amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation; they give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the ‘European Economic Area’ Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget.

Legal basis:

Task resulting from the Commission’s prerogatives at institutional level, as provided for in Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Articles 34 to 36 thereof (OJ C 326, 26.10.2012).

Council Directive 75/107/EEC of 19 December 1974 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to bottles used as measuring containers (OJ L 42, 15.2.1975, p. 14).

Council Directive 75/324/EEC of 20 May 1975 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to aerosol dispensers (OJ L 147, 9.6.1975, p. 40).

Council Directive 76/211/EEC of 20 January 1976 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making-up by weight or by volume of certain prepackaged products (OJ L 46, 21.2.1976, p. 1).

Council Directive 76/768/EEC of 27 July 1976 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cosmetic products (OJ L 262, 27.9.1976, p. 169).

Council Directive 77/249/EEC of 22 March 1977 to facilitate the effective exercise by lawyers of freedom to provide services (OJ L 78, 26.3.1977, p. 17).

Council Directive 80/181/EEC of 20 December 1979 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to units of measurement and on the repeal of Directive 71/354/EEC (OJ L 39, 15.2.1980, p. 40).

Council Directive 85/374/EEC of 25 July 1985 on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States concerning liability for defective products (OJ L 210, 7.8.1985, p. 29).

Council Directive 89/105/EEC of 21 December 1988 relating to the transparency of measures regulating the pricing of medicinal products for human use and their inclusion in the scope of national health insurance systems (OJ L 040, 11.2.1989, p. 8).

Council Directive 90/385/EEC of 20 June 1990 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to active implantable medical devices (OJ L 189, 20.7.1990, p. 17).

Council Directive 91/477/EEC of 18 June 1991 on control of the acquisition and possession of weapons (OJ L 256, 13.9.1991, p. 51).

Council Directive 91/671/EEC of 16 December 1991 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to compulsory use of safety belts in vehicles of less than 3,5 tonnes (OJ L 373, 31.12.1991, p. 26).

Council Decision (8300/92) of 21 September 1992 authorising the Commission to negotiate agreements between the Community and certain non-member countries on mutual recognition.

Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 of 23 March 1993 on the evaluation and control of the risks of existing substances (OJ L 84, 5.4.1993, p. 1).

Council Directive 93/15/EEC of 5 April 1993 on the harmonisation of the provisions relating to the placing on the market and supervision of explosives for civil uses (OJ L 121, 15.5.1993, p. 20).

Council Directive 93/42/EEC of 14 June 1993 concerning medical devices (OJ L 169, 12.7.1993, p. 1).

Council Decision 93/465/EEC of 22 July 1993 concerning the modules for the various phases of the conformity assessment procedures and the rules for the affixing and use of the CE conformity marking, which are intended to be used in the technical harmonisation directives (OJ L 220, 30.8.1993, p. 23).

Council Decision 94/358/EC of 16 June 1994 accepting, on behalf of the European Community, the Convention on the elaboration of a European Pharmacopoeia (OJ L 158, 25.6.1994, p. 17).

Council Decision (8453/97) confirming the Article 113 Committee's interpretation of the Council decision of 21 September 1992 giving the Commission directives for the negotiation of European conformity assessment agreements.

Directive 98/5/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 1998 to facilitate practice of the profession of lawyer on a permanent basis in a Member State other than that in which the qualification was obtained (OJ L 77, 14.3.1998, p. 36).

Directive 98/79/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 October 1998 on in vitro diagnostic medical devices (OJ L 331, 7.12.1998, p. 1).

Council Regulation (EC) No 2679/98 of 7 December 1998 on the functioning of the internal market in relation to the free movement of goods among the Member States (OJ L 337, 12.12.1998, p. 8).

Directive 1999/4/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 February 1999 relating to coffee extracts and chicory extracts (OJ L 66, 13.3.1999, p. 26).

Council Directive 1999/36/EC of 29 April 1999 on transportable pressure equipment (OJ L 138, 1.6.1999, p. 20).

Directive 2000/14/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 May 2000 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the noise emission in the environment by equipment for use outdoors (OJ L 162, 3.7.2000, p. 1).

Directive 2000/35/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 June 2000 on combating late payment in commercial transactions (OJ L 200, 8.8.2000, p. 35).

Directive 2001/82/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 November 2001 on the Community code relating to veterinary medicinal products (OJ L 311, 28.11.2001, p. 1).

Directive 2001/83/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 November 2001 on the Community code relating to medicinal products for human use (OJ L 311, 28.11.2001, p. 67).

Directive 2002/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 2003 on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (OJ L 37, 13.2.2003, p. 19).

Directive 2002/96/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 2003 on waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) (OJ L 37, 13.2.2003, p. 24).

Council Regulation (EC) No 1435/2003 of 22 July 2003 on the Statute for a European Cooperative Society (SCE) (OJ L 207, 18.8.2003, p. 1).

Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 2003 relating to fertilisers (OJ L 304, 21.11.2003, p. 1).

Regulation (EC) No 273/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 February 2004 on drug precursors (OJ L 47, 18.2.2004, p. 1).

Directive 2004/9/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 February 2004 on the inspection and verification of good laboratory practice (GLP) (OJ L 50, 20.2.2004, p. 28).

Directive 2004/10/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 February 2004 on the harmonisation of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the application of the principles of good laboratory practice and the verification of their applications for tests on chemical substances (OJ L 50, 20.2.2004, p. 44).

Regulation (EC) No 648/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004 on detergents (OJ L 104, 8.4.2004, p. 1).

Regulation (EC) No 726/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004 laying down Community procedures for the authorisation and supervision of medicinal products for human and veterinary use and establishing a European Medicines Agency (OJ L 136, 30.4.2004, p. 1).

Directive 2004/22/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004 on measuring instruments (OJ L 135, 30.4.2004, p. 1).

Directive 2005/36/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 September 2005 on the recognition of professional qualifications (OJ L 255 30.9.2005, p. 22).

Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) and establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC (OJ L 396, 30.12.2006, p. 1).

Directive 2006/40/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 May 2006 relating to emissions from air conditioning systems in motor vehicles and amending Council Directive 70/156/EEC (OJ L 161, 14.6.2006, p. 12).

Directive 2007/45/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 September 2007 laying down rules on nominal quantities for prepacked products, repealing Council Directives 75/106/EEC and 80/232/EEC, and amending Council Directive 76/211/EEC (OJ L 247, 21.9.2007, p. 17).

Regulation (EC) No 764/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 laying down procedures relating to the application of certain national technical rules to products lawfully marketed in another Member State and repealing Decision No 3052/95/EC (OJ L 218, 13.8.2008, p. 21).

Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 setting out the requirements for accreditation and market surveillance relating to the marketing of products (OJ L 218, 13.8.2008, p. 30).

Decision No 768/2008/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 on a common framework for the marketing of products and repealing Council Decision 93/465/EEC (OJ L 218, 13.8.2008, p. 82).

Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (OJ L 353, 31.12.2008, p. 1).

Regulation (EC) No 78/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 January 2009 on the type-approval of motor vehicles with regard to the protection of pedestrians and other vulnerable road users, amending Directive 2007/46/EC and repealing Directives 2003/102/EC and 2005/66/EC (OJ L 35, 4.2.2009, p. 1).

Regulation (EC) No 79/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 January 2009 on type-approval of hydrogen-powered motor vehicles, and amending Directive 2007/46/EC (OJ L 35, 4.2.2009, p. 32).

Directive 2009/23/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on non-automatic weighing instruments (OJ L 122, 16.5.2009, p. 6).

Directive 2009/34/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 relating to common provisions for both measuring instruments and methods of metrological control (OJ L 106, 28.4.2009, p. 7).

Directive 2009/43/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 May 2009 simplifying terms and conditions of transfers of defence-related products within the Community (OJ L 146, 10.6.2009, p. 1).

Directive 2009/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2009 on the safety of toys (OJ L 170, 30.6.2009, p. 1).

Directive 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the coordination of procedures for the award of certain works contracts, supply contracts and service contracts by contracting authorities or entities in the fields of defence and security, and amending Directives 2004/17/EC and 2004/18/EC (OJ L 216, 20.8.2009, p. 76).

Directive 2009/125/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for the setting of ecodesign requirements for energy-related products (OJ L 285, 31.10.2009, p. 10).

Regulation (EC) No 661/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning type-approval requirements for the general safety of motor vehicles, their trailers and systems, components and separate technical units intended therefor (OJ L 200, 31.7.2009, p. 1).

Regulation (EU) No 305/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2011 laying down harmonised conditions for the marketing of construction products and repealing Council Directive 89/106/EEC (OJ L 88, 4.4.2011, p. 5).

Regulation (EU) No 1007/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 September 2011 on textile fibre names and related labelling and marking of the fibre composition of textile products and repealing Council Directive 73/44/EEC and Directives 96/73/EC and 2008/121/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 272, 18.10.2011, p. 1).

Directive 2013/29/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 June 2013 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of pyrotechnic articles (OJ L 178, 28.6.2013, p. 27).

Regulation (EU) No 167/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 February 2013 on the approval and market surveillance of agricultural and forestry vehicles (OJ L 60, 2.3.2013, p. 1).

Regulation (EU) No 168/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 January 2013 on the approval and market surveillance of two- or three-wheel vehicles and quadricycles (OJ L 60, 2.3.2013, p. 52).

Directive 2014/23/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the award of concession contracts (OJ L 94, 28.3.2014, p. 1).

Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on public procurement and repealing Directive 2004/18/EC (OJ L 94, 28.3.2014, p. 65).

Directive 2014/25/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on procurement by entities operating in the water, energy, transport and postal services sectors and repealing Directive 2004/17/EC (OJ L 94, 28.3.2014, p. 243).

Directive 2014/31/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of non-automatic weighing instruments (OJ L 96, 29.3.2014, p. 107).

Directive 2014/32/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of measuring instruments (OJ L 96, 29.3.2014, p. 149).

Regulation (EU) No 510/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 laying down the trade arrangements applicable to certain goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 1216/2009 and (EC) No 614/2009 (OJ L 150, 20.5.2014, p. 1).

Regulation (EU) No 540/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on the sound level of motor vehicles and of replacement silencing systems, and amending Directive 2007/46/EC and repealing Directive 70/157/EEC (OJ L 158, 27.5.2014, p. 131).

Directive 2014/60/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the return of cultural objects unlawfully removed from the territory of a Member State and amending Regulation (EU) No 1024/2012 (OJ L 159, 28.5.2014, p. 1).

Directive (EU) 2015/1535 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 September 2015 laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical regulations and of rules on Information Society services (OJ L 241, 17.9.2015, p. 1).

Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1151 of 1 June 2017 supplementing Regulation (EC) No 715/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council on type-approval of motor vehicles with respect to emissions from light passenger and commercial vehicles (Euro 5 and Euro 6) and on access to vehicle repair and maintenance information, amending Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, Commission Regulation (EC) No 692/2008 and Commission Regulation (EU) No 1230/2012 and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 692/2008 (OJ L 175, 7.7.2017, p. 1).

Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/2400 of 12 December 2017 implementing Regulation (EC) No 595/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the determination of the CO₂ emissions and fuel consumption of heavy-duty vehicles and amending Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Regulation (EU) No 582/2011 (OJ L 349, 29.12.2017, p. 1).

Regulation (EU) 2018/858 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 on the approval and market surveillance of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components and separate technical units intended for such vehicles, amending Regulations (EC) No 715/2007 and (EC) No 595/2009 and repealing Directive 2007/46/EC (OJ L 151, 14.6.2018, p. 1).

Directives and Regulations of the European Parliament and of the Council implementing the new approach in certain sectors such as machinery, electromagnetic compatibility, radio equipment and telecommunications terminal equipment, low voltage electrical equipment, personal protective equipment, lifts, explosive atmospheres, medical devices, toys, pressure equipment, gas appliances, construction, the interoperability of the rail system, recreational craft, tyres, explosives, pyrotechnic articles, cableways installations, etc.

Council Directives adopted for the removal of technical barriers to trade in areas not covered by the ‘new approach’.

Reference acts:

Commission Regulation (EC) No 692/2008 of 18 July 2008 implementing and amending Regulation (EC) No 715/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council on type-approval of motor vehicles with respect to emissions from light passenger and commercial vehicles (Euro 5 and Euro 6) and on access to vehicle repair and maintenance information (OJ L 199 28.7.2008, p. 1).

Commission Regulation (EU) No 406/2010 of 26 April 2010 implementing Regulation (EC) No 79/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on type-approval of hydrogen-powered motor vehicles (OJ L 122, 18.5.2010, p. 1).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/983 of 24 June 2015 on the procedure for issuance of the European Professional Card and the application of the alert mechanism pursuant to Directive 2005/36/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 159, 25.6.2015, p. 27).

Article 02 03 03 — European Chemicals Agency — Chemicals legislation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
59 827 657	59 827 657	59 527 657	59 527 657	59 827 657	59 827 657	59 827 657	59 827 657	58 827 657	58 827 657

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the Agency’s staff and administrative expenditure (Titles 1 and 2), and operational expenditure in connection with the work programme (Title 3).

The Agency must inform the European Parliament and the Council about transfers of appropriations between operational and administrative expenditure.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this article. By way of information, those amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation; they give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the ‘European Economic Area’ Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget.

The amounts repaid in accordance with Article 17 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/715 of 18 December 2018 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies set up under the TFEU and Euratom Treaty and referred to in Article 70 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 122, 10.5.2019, p. 1) constitute assigned revenue (point (b) of Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation) to be charged to Item 6 6 0 0 of the general statement of revenue.

In 2020, the Agency's revenue from fees and charges and the surplus carried over from previous year will not be sufficient to cover for the expected expenditure, which implies the need of a balancing subsidy from the Commission. The Union contribution for 2020 amounts to a total of EUR . An amount of EUR , coming from the surplus, is added to the amount of EUR entered in the budget.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) and establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC (OJ L 396, 30.12.2006, p. 1).

Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (OJ L 353, 31.12.2008, p. 1).

Item 02 03 77 10 — Preparatory action - Independent on-road real driving emissions (RDE) testing to ensure broad information and transparency for better market surveillance

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

As a follow-up to the existing pilot project under item 02 03 77 07, and having regard to paragraph 40 of the European Parliament recommendation of 4 April 2017 to the Council and the Commission following the inquiry into emission measurements in the automotive sector (P8_TA(2017) 100), this preparatory action will continue to fund measures relating to third-party testing of RDE in relation to transposition of Regulation (EC) No 715/2007.

In the past, qualified third parties provided authorities at Union and national level with reliable information on the emission behaviour of vehicles. That information was rarely made available by the authorities responsible. Funding should be made available to allow them to provide reliable data from on-road emissions testing of passenger cars which is independent of the data provided by manufacturers and regulatory authorities in order to promote transparency and improve market surveillance.

Third parties will use validated test procedures as laid down in Regulation (EC) No 715/2007 and Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1151, including the four RDE packages and the guidelines outlined in the Commission notice of 26 January 2017. They will publish the results of their measurements in order to support the development of best practice procedures and the provision of broader information to the authorities responsible and the public.

The focus of the work will be on lifetime compliance that can be assessed by testing vehicles which are outside the parameters currently regulated by either in-service conformity or market surveillance, i.e. vehicles more than five years old or which have been driven for more than 100 000 km. Such testing will provide extremely useful information on the quality of current emission control systems and will help in providing necessary information for the development of the new legislative proposal on emissions. The testing should include RDE tests and laboratory tests on older vehicles, as well as measurement of all possible pollutants, including those not currently regulated.

Independent third parties will thus contribute to better oversight of how exhaust standards are performing in practice and the extent to which the Union's objectives in terms of air quality and climate policy are being achieved. They will contribute to a broader understanding of exhaust reduction strategies with

regard to acceleration, high speed, ambient temperature and other criteria. Their specific test procedure will be documented transparently and should take into account current rules on RDE and the latest research.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 02 03 77 11 — Pilot project — Assessing the challenges and opportunities for market surveillance activities in relation to new technologies and the digital supply chain

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				300 000	150 000			300 000	75 000

Remarks:

The pilot project will assess the challenges and opportunities for consumers and market surveillance authorities as a result of emerging technologies (such as internet-connected devices, blockchain, etc.) and digital supply chains in relation to the safety of products, including those sold online. The pilot project may finance a study on the use of new technologies such as blockchain to ensure effective market surveillance and better traceability of products.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 02 04 02 01 — Leadership in space

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
214 373 454	204 450 000	195 373 454	204 450 000	234 373 454	214 450 000	214 373 454	204 450 000	214 373 454	204 450 000

Item 02 04 02 03 — Increasing innovation in small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
50 601 570	45 197 000	46 601 570	45 197 000	60 601 570	50 197 000	50 601 570	45 197 000	50 601 570	45 197 000

Item 02 04 03 01 — Achieving a resource-efficient and climate change resilient economy and a sustainable supply of raw materials

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
93 815 989	68 500 000	93 815 989	68 500 000	118 815 989	104 900 000	93 815 989	68 500 000	131 326 358	79 753 000

Remarks:

The aim of this appropriation will be to support secure supply of raw materials in order to meet the needs of Union society within the sustainable limits of the planet's natural resources. Activities will target the improvement of the knowledge base on raw materials and the development of innovative solutions for the cost-effective and environmentally friendly exploration, extraction, processing, recycling and recovery of raw materials and for their substitution by economically attractive alternatives.

Support will also be provided for tackling barriers impeding the deployment of circular-economy such as recovery of raw materials from different waste streams.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965), and in particular point (e) of Article 3(3) thereof.

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 02 04 77 08 — Pilot project — Aviation resilience to GNSS jamming and cyber-threats

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 500 000	750 000			1 500 000	375 000

Remarks:

This project will analyse the threat of GNSS jamming and cyber-attacks to aviation and identify mitigation measures.

This is a two-year project to be led by the European Union Aviation Safety Agency in coordination with European partners to ensure the safety of civil aviation by implementing integrated security measures and jamming-proof mechanisms. The project will identify good practices for regulators and operators, and provide policy guidance in connection with security for the GNSS system and possible future initiatives in the area of aviation security.

The project will also address the issue of GNSS/PNT equipment (most notably receivers) by proposing installation and operation strategies that can be implemented for current equipment as well as strategies that can result in more resilient new and/or improved products.

Moreover, the project will assess whether the proposed strategies are applicable to non-aviation domains.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 02 05 11 — European GNSS Agency

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
34 232 619	34 232 619	34 232 619	34 232 619	40 662 619	40 662 619	34 232 619	34 232 619	34 602 619	34 602 619

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the Agency's staff and administrative expenditure (Titles 1 and 2) and operational expenditure relating to the work programme (Title 3).

The Agency must inform the European Parliament and the Council about transfers of appropriations between operational and administrative expenditure.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this article. By way of information, those amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation; they give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the ‘European Economic Area’ Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget.

The amounts repaid in accordance with Article 17 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/715 of 18 December 2018 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies set up under the TFEU and Euratom Treaty and referred to in Article 70 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 122, 10.5.2019, p. 1) constitute assigned revenue (point (b) of Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation) to be charged to Item 6 6 0 0 of the general statement of revenue.

The establishment plan of the European GNSS Agency is set out in Annex ‘Staff’ to this section.

The Union contribution for amounts to a total of EUR . An amount of EUR , coming from the surplus, is added to the amount of EUR entered in the budget.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 912/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 September 2010 setting up the European GNSS Agency, repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1321/2004 on the establishment of structures for the management of the European satellite radio navigation programmes and amending Regulation (EC) No 683/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 276, 20.10.2010, p. 11).

Regulation (EU) No 1285/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the implementation and exploitation of European satellite navigation systems and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 876/2002 and Regulation (EC) No 683/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 1).

Article 02 05 77 — Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				500 000	250 000			500 000	125 000

Item 02 05 77 01 — Pilot project — The use of Galileo and EGNOS to reduce the number of cardiac-arrest-related deaths

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				500 000	250 000			500 000	125 000

Remarks:

Sudden cardiac arrests account for 20% of deaths in the European Union. This figure could be significantly lower if early chest compression and early defibrillation were performed on all victims. Indeed, research shows that a first defibrillation less than three minutes after cardiac arrest results in a survival rate of 74%. Yet less than 5% of cardiac arrest victims are treated with early chest compression and defibrillation.

Nowadays, more and more information campaigns are being carried out to encourage people to learn how to perform cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and to encourage individuals, private organisations and public authorities to acquire automated external defibrillators (AEDs). However, the location of these devices is in many cases unknown to others, including the emergency services. This results in a situation

where heart attack victims cannot be resuscitated in time. Hence, it is essential to develop and promote measures to map publicly accessible AEDs.

At the same time, the added value of the European global navigation satellite systems EGNOS and Galileo as regards location-based services has already been demonstrated. Those systems should also be used to save lives by locating AEDs.

A registry of all accessible AEDs should be made available to emergency call-takers, who could advise persons calling emergency services as to where the nearest defibrillator is located. Where possible, the registry should also be made directly available to members of the public.

It should however be taken into consideration that:

- Some defibrillators are not accessible on a round-the-clock basis, since they might be located in places that are closed at specific times (offices, shops, schools, etc.);
- In some instances, such as in large buildings, the address of the defibrillator might not be sufficient to find it quickly. Location information should therefore also include important details such as the floor level;
- Information that defibrillators are in proper working order is also very important. For instance, modern defibrillators are now able to communicate battery power status.

Information provided in the registry should be made available in two ways:

1. By fitting AEDs with Galileo chipsets so that their exact position can be accurately tracked and
2. By manually adding details for AEDs that are not equipped with chipsets.

The project will demonstrate the added value of Galileo in saving lives. Due to its performance in terms of accuracy and signal availability, the European global navigation satellite programme will help reduce intervention time for victims of heart attacks, bearing in mind that every minute lost before chest compression or defibrillation lowers survival rate by 10%.

The central objective of the pilot project is therefore to:

analyse the best possible way of developing, organising and managing a registry of publicly accessible AEDs, taking advantage of the location information provided by Galileo;

find an alternative solution to a registry, based on Galileo.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 02 06 01 — Delivering operational services relying on space-borne observations and *in-situ* data (Copernicus)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
132 356 000	133 000 000	132 356 000	133 000 000	145 591 600	139 617 800	132 356 000	133 000 000	132 356 000	133 000 000

Remarks:

The aim of this appropriation is to:

- enable operations of Copernicus services, tailored to the needs of users;
- contribute to ensure access to data of the observation infrastructure necessary to operate Copernicus services;

- create opportunities for increased private sector usage of information sources, thereby facilitating innovation by value-adding service providers.

This appropriation will, in particular, fund the set-up, the establishment and operation of the six services mentioned in Regulation (EU) No 377/2014 and the related activities.

This appropriation may also fund cross-cutting activities among the services or their articulation and co-ordination, as well as for the in-situ co-ordination, user uptake and training and communication.

The budget envelope will be managed either directly by the Commission services or indirectly via delegation agreements with Union agencies and international organisations, or any entity eligible under Article 62 of the Financial Regulation.

When the Commission manages the budget directly, it may entrust the Joint Research Centre (JRC) with scientific and technical support tasks. The funding of these tasks may be entered into the JRC's indirect budget under point (g) of Article 21(2) and point (d) of Article 30(1) of the Financial Regulation.

In addition, in support of competitiveness and growth, this appropriation may also fund data dissemination and the incubation of new businesses by supporting more robust and innovative IT structures in Europe.

Copernicus services will facilitate access to key data required in policy formulation at Union, national, regional and local level in fields such as agriculture, forest monitoring, water management, transport, urban planning, climate change and many others. This appropriation covers mainly the implementation of delegation agreements for the Copernicus programme, pursuant to Article 58 of the Financial Regulation.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this article. By way of information, those amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation; they give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the 'European Economic Area' Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget. Any revenue from the contributions from candidate countries and, if applicable, the Western Balkan potential candidates for participating in Union programmes entered in Item 6 0 3 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations in accordance with Article 21 of the Financial Regulation.

Any revenue from contributions from third parties entered in Item 6 0 3 3 of the statement of revenue will give rise to the provision of additional appropriations to be entered in this Item in accordance with the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 377/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 April 2014 establishing the Copernicus programme and repealing Regulation (EU) No 911/2010 (OJ L 122, 24.4.2014, p. 44).

Article 03 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the 'Competition' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
96 583 056	96 357 250	96 583 056	96 583 056	95 530 186

Item 03 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
5 328 380	5 244 005	5 328 380	5 328 380	5 328 380

Article 03 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the 'Competition' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
6 335 622	6 177 557	6 335 622	6 335 622	6 335 622

Article 04 01 01 — Expenditure relating to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Employment, social affairs and inclusion’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
73 368 362		73 142 556		73 368 362		73 368 362		72 568 559	

Item 04 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
5 131 804		5 047 429		5 131 804		5 131 804		5 131 804	

Article 04 01 03 — Expenditure relating to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Employment, social affairs and inclusion’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
4 812 793		4 654 728		4 812 793		4 812 793		4 812 793	

Article 04 02 60 — European Social Fund — Less developed regions — Investment for growth and jobs goal

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
7 961 315 166	6 800 000 000	7 961 315 166	6 800 000 000	7 961 315 166	7 230 394 237	7 961 315 166	6 800 000 000	7 961 315 166	6 800 000 000

Article 04 02 61 — European Social Fund — Transition regions — Investment for growth and jobs goal

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 975 113 878	1 700 000 000	1 975 113 878	1 700 000 000	1 975 113 878	1 807 598 559	1 975 113 878	1 700 000 000	1 975 113 878	1 700 000 000

Article 04 02 62 — European Social Fund — More developed regions — Investment for growth and jobs goal

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 844 787 853	3 500 000 000	3 844 787 853	3 500 000 000	3 844 787 853	3 721 526 445	3 844 787 853	3 500 000 000	3 844 787 853	3 500 000 000

Article 04 02 64 — Youth Employment Initiative

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
116 666 667	600 000 000		p.m.	480 000 000	565 000 000	116 666 667	600 000 000	145 000 000	603 000 000

Item 04 03 01 05 — Information and training measures for workers’ organisations

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
20 784 000	19 400 000	20 784 000	19 400 000	22 000 000	20 008 000	20 784 000	19 400 000	20 784 000	19 400 000

Item 04 03 02 01 — Progress — Supporting the development, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of Union employment and social policy and working conditions legislation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
78 400 000	59 400 000	73 400 000	59 400 000	78 400 000	59 400 000	78 400 000	59 400 000	77 900 000	58 900 000

Remarks:

The general objective of the European Union programme for Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI) is to contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy and the related headline targets for employment, education and poverty by providing financial support for the Union’s objectives.

To achieve the general objectives of EaSI in terms of promoting a high level of employment, guaranteeing adequate social protection, combating social exclusion and poverty, improving working conditions and protecting workers’ safety and health, the specific objectives of the Progress axis are to:

- develop and disseminate high-quality comparative analytical knowledge in order to ensure that Union employment and social policy and working conditions and occupational health and safety legislation

are based on sound evidence and are relevant to needs, challenges and conditions in the individual Member States and the other participating countries,

- facilitate effective and inclusive information-sharing, mutual learning and dialogue on Union employment and social policy and working conditions and occupational health and safety legislation at Union, national and international level in order to assist the Member States and the other participating countries in developing their policies and in implementing Union law,
- provide policymakers with financial support to promote social and labour market policy reforms, build up the main actors’ capacity to design and implement social experimentation, and make the relevant knowledge and expertise accessible,
- provide Union and national organisations with financial support to develop, promote and support the implementation of Union employment and social policy and working conditions and occupational health and safety legislation,
- raising awareness, exchanging good practice, disseminating information and promoting the debate on the key challenges and policy issues in relation to working conditions, gender equality, occupational health and safety and the reconciliation of work and family life and the ageing society, including among social partners,
- to encourage creation of decent jobs in terms of stable employment and social rights, promoting acceptable employment for young people and combatting poverty by promoting social convergence.

In addition support could be provided to actions related to the implementation of the common provisions of EaSI such as monitoring, evaluation, dissemination of results and communication. Article 16 of Regulation (EU) No 1296/2013 describes the types of actions which may be financed.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this item. By way of information, these amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation; they give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the ‘European Economic Area’ Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget.

Any revenue from the contributions from candidate countries and, if applicable, the Western Balkan potential candidates for participating in Union programmes entered in Item 6 0 3 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to provision of additional appropriations in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1296/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on a European Union Programme for Employment and Social Innovation (‘EaSI’) and amending Decision No 283/2010/EU establishing a European Progress Microfinance Facility for employment and social inclusion (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 238).

Item 04 03 02 02 — EURES — Promoting workers’ voluntary geographical mobility and boosting employment opportunities

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
22 476 491	22 000 000	22 476 491	22 000 000	24 676 491	23 100 000	22 476 491	22 000 000	22 476 491	22 000 000

Remarks:

The general objective of the EaSI is to contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy and the related headline targets for employment, education and poverty by providing financial support for the Union’s objectives.

The EaSI is structured around three complementarity axes: Progress, EURES and Microfinance and Social Entrepreneurship.

To achieve the general objectives of EaSI, in particular to promote workers' geographical mobility and boost employment opportunities by developing Union labour markets that are open and accessible to all, the specific objectives of the EURES axis are to:

- ensure that job vacancies and applications, and any related information as well as working conditions and rights are transparent for the potential applicants and the employers; this shall be achieved through their exchange and dissemination at transnational, interregional and cross-border level using standard interoperability forms,
- help ensure that European-level job vacancies and mobility options are advertised in parallel to national job vacancies and applications and not only after local or national options are exhausted,
- develop services for the recruitment and placing of workers in employment through the clearance of job vacancies and applications at European level; this shall cover all phases of placement, ranging from pre-recruitment preparation to post-placement assistance, including language skill development options, with a view to the applicant's successful integration into the labour market; such services shall include targeted mobility schemes to fill job vacancies where labour market shortcomings have been identified and/or help particular groups of workers such as young people,
- provide assistance for national and cross-border support activities organised by EURES partners,
- initial and further training of EURES advisers in the Member States,
- contacts between EURES advisers and cooperation between government employment services, including those of candidate countries,
- promotion of EURES among firms and the general public,
- development of special structures for cooperation and services in border regions pursuant to point (b) of Article 17(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1612/68,
- measures to help remove mobility obstacles, particularly in the field of work-related social security.

This programme should also facilitate the matching and placement of apprentices and trainees as a critical element in helping the transition of young people from school to work, as already begun under the preparatory action 'Your first EURES job' and complemented by the Youth Employment Initiative. Companies, particularly small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), will be encouraged to recruit more young people, including by financial support.

Target groups:

- young people up to 30 years of age, regardless of their qualifications and work experience, as the scheme is not exclusively tailored for labour market entrants,
- all legally established businesses, particularly SMEs, to assist with reducing the costs of international hiring that affect mostly smaller companies.

Eligible jobs under this part of the programme will offer young people apprenticeships, a first work experience or specialised jobs. The scheme will not support situations of job substitution or precarious employment, or in any circumstances be contrary to national labour law.

To be eligible for funding, jobs have also to comply with the following criteria:

- be located in a EURES member country other than the country of origin of the young job-seeker (transnational vacancies),
- ensure a work placement for a minimum contractual period of 6 months.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this item. By way of information, these amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation; they give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the 'European Economic Area' Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget.

In addition support could be provided to actions related to the implementation of the common provisions of EaSI such as monitoring, evaluation, dissemination of results and communication. Article 21 of Regulation (EU) No 1296/2013 describes the types of actions which may be financed.

Legal basis:

Council Regulation (EEC) No 1612/68 of 15 October 1968 on freedom of movement for workers within the Community (OJ L 257, 19.10.1968, p. 2).

Commission Decision 2003/8/EC of 23 December 2002 implementing Council Regulation (EEC) No 1612/68 as regards the clearance of vacancies and applications for employment (OJ L 5, 10.1.2003, p. 16).

Regulation (EU) No 492/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 April 2011 on freedom of movement for workers within the Union (OJ L 141, 27.5.2011, p. 1).

Regulation (EU) No 1296/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on a European Union Programme for Employment and Social Innovation ('EaSI') and amending Decision No 283/2010/EU establishing a European Progress Microfinance Facility for employment and social inclusion (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 238).

Item 04 03 02 03 — Microfinance and Social Entrepreneurship — Increasing access to, and the availability of, financing for legal and physical persons, especially those furthest from the labour market, and social enterprises

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
15 735 000	23 000 000	15 735 000	23 000 000	17 735 000	24 000 000	15 735 000	23 000 000	14 235 000	21 500 000

Remarks:

The general objective of the EaSI is to contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy and the related headline targets for employment, education and poverty by providing financial support for the Union's objectives.

The EaSI is structured around three complementarity axes: Progress, EURES and Microfinance and Social Entrepreneurship.

To achieve the general objectives of EaSI in particular to promote employment and social inclusion by increasing the availability and accessibility of microfinance for vulnerable groups and micro-enterprises, and by increasing access to finance for social enterprises, the specific objectives of the Microfinance and Social Entrepreneurship axis are to:

- increase access to, and the availability of, microfinance for persons who have lost or are at risk of losing their jobs, or who have difficulty in entering or re-entering the labour market, persons at risk of social exclusion and vulnerable persons, including women wishing to start entrepreneurial careers, who are in a disadvantaged position with regard to access to the conventional credit market and who wish to start up or develop their own micro-enterprises; and for micro-enterprises, especially those which employ these persons as referred to,
- build up the institutional capacity of microcredit providers,

- support the development of social enterprises.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this item. By way of information, these amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation; they give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the 'European Economic Area' Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget.

Any revenue from the contributions from candidate countries and, if applicable, the Western Balkan potential candidates for participating in Union programmes entered in Item 6 0 3 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to provision of additional appropriations in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation.

Revenues and repayment from financial instruments, paid back to the Commission and entered in Item 6 4 1 0 and 6 4 1 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations in accordance with Article 21(5) and Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

The corresponding amount is estimated at EUR 10 000 000.

Part of the appropriations will be used to provide support and technical assistance for recipients of microfinance.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1296/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on a European Union Programme for Employment and Social Innovation ('EaSI') and amending Decision No 283/2010/EU establishing a European Progress Microfinance Facility for employment and social inclusion (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 238).

Article 04 03 12 — European Agency for Safety and Health at Work

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
15 507 072	15 507 072	15 427 072	15 427 072	15 507 072	15 507 072	15 507 072	15 507 072	15 507 072	15 507 072

Article 04 03 13 — European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (Cedefop)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
18 115 490	18 115 490	16 445 490	16 445 490	18 115 490	18 115 490	18 115 490	18 115 490	17 815 490	17 815 490

Article 04 03 15 — European Labour Authority (ELA)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
15 683 250	15 683 250	15 683 250	15 683 250	17 283 250	17 283 250	15 683 250	15 683 250	15 683 250	15 683 250

Item 04 03 77 29 — Pilot project — Role of the minimum wage in establishing the Universal Labour Guarantee

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

The report 'Working for a Brighter Future - Global Commission on the Future of Work' (ILO, 2019) [1] calls for the creation of a Universal Labour Guarantee to uphold the fundamental rights of all workers, regardless of the nature of their employment relationship, including a 'living wage', an upper limit on working hours and guaranteed safety and health at work.

The existence of a national minimum wage, established through collective bargaining and agreements, is central to the establishment of the Universal Labour Guarantee, helping to improve workers' conditions, promote societal development and overturn policies that, in recent years, have been leading to precariousness, lower wages and increased inequality.

In order to promote national minimum wage schemes more effectively as a tool for economic and social development, Eurofound should examine the different realities in the Member States, as well as the impact of this instrument on employment rates, workers' qualifications, precariousness levels, the development of Member States and other factors considered relevant.

The pilot project will be implemented in such a way that it does not overlap with the existing or ongoing studies that will be used for preparation of the impact assessment for the forthcoming initiative on minimum wages. On the basis of the information available, the pilot project will bring added value and will complement existing work under the initiative by, for example, mapping developments in the minimum wage setting institutions.

[1] The recommendations are intended to strengthen and revitalise labour institutions. From employment regulations and contracts to collective bargaining and labour inspection systems, these institutions are the cornerstone of just societies, paving the way towards formalisation, reducing labour poverty and guaranteeing a future of work with dignity, economic security and equality. Under a Universal Labour Guarantee, the fundamental rights of all workers, regardless of their contractual agreement or employment status, must be respected, ensuring them 'an adequate living wage' (ILO Constitution, 1919), limits on their working hours and safe and healthy workplaces. Collective agreements or laws and regulations may raise the basic level of protection. This proposal also allows for the recognition of occupational safety and health as fundamental principles and rights at the workplace.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 05 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Agriculture and rural development’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
102 417 765	102 191 959	102 417 765	102 417 765	101 301 289

Item 05 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
3 173 321	3 088 946	3 173 321	3 173 321	3 173 321

Item 05 01 02 11 — Other management expenditure

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
6 118 392	6 118 392	6 118 392	6 118 392	6 118 392

Article 05 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Agriculture and rural development’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
6 718 366	6 560 301	6 718 366	6 718 366	6 718 366

Item 05 02 08 03 — Operational funds for producer organisations

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
699 000 000	643 200 000	699 000 000	699 000 000	699 000 000

Item 05 02 15 06 — Specific aid for bee-keeping

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
35 000 000	35 000 000	35 000 000	39 000 000	39 000 000

Item 05 02 15 99 — Other measures for pigmeat, poultry, eggs, bee-keeping, other animal products

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
p.m.	p.m.	30 000 000	32 000 000	32 000 000

Article 05 02 18 — School schemes

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
215 000 000	215 000 000	217 000 000	215 000 000	215 000 000

Chapter 05 03 — Direct payments aimed at contributing to farm incomes, limiting farm income variability and meeting environment and climate objectives

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
40 953 000 000	40 768 900 000	40 953 000 000	40 693 000 000	40 621 000 000

Remarks:

Any revenue entered in Article 6 7 0 of the general statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations on any line in this chapter in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

When establishing the budgetary appropriations for this chapter, an amount of EUR 849 000 000 originating from Items 6 7 0 1 and 6 7 0 2 of the general statement of revenue was taken into account for Article 05 03 01, and in particular for Item 05 03 01 10.

The following legal basis applies to all articles and items of this chapter unless otherwise stated.

Legal basis:

Council Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 of 29 September 2003 establishing common rules for direct support schemes under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers and amending Regulations (EEC) No 2019/93, (EC) No 1452/2001, (EC) No 1453/2001, (EC) No 1454/2001, (EC) 1868/94, (EC) No 1251/1999, (EC) No 1254/1999, (EC) No 1673/2000, (EEC) No 2358/71 and (EC) No 2529/2001 (OJ L 270, 21.10.2003, p. 1).

Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 of 19 January 2009 establishing common rules for direct support schemes for farmers under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers, amending Regulations (EC) No 1290/2005, (EC) No 247/2006, (EC) No 378/2007 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 (OJ L 30, 31.1.2009, p. 16).

Regulation (EU) No 671/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 July 2012 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 as regards the application of direct payments to farmers in respect of the year 2013 (OJ L 204, 31.7.2012, p. 11).

Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agricultural policy and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 352/78, (EC) No 165/94, (EC) No 2799/98, (EC) No 814/2000, (EC) No 1290/2005 and (EC) No 485/2008 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 549).

Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 637/2008 and Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 608).

Regulation (EU) No 1310/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down certain transitional provisions on support for rural development by the European Agricultural

Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD), amending Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards resources and their distribution in respect of the year 2014 and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 and Regulations (EU) No 1307/2013, (EU) No 1306/2013 and (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards their application in the year 2014 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 865).

Item 05 03 01 02 — Single area payment scheme (SAPS)

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
4 355 000 000	4 355 000 000	4 355 000 000	4 376 000 000	4 376 000 000

Item 05 03 01 07 — Redistributive payment

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
1 674 000 000	1 674 000 000	1 674 000 000	1 681 000 000	1 681 000 000

Item 05 03 01 10 — Basic payment scheme (BPS)

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
16 514 000 000	16 329 900 000	16 514 000 000	16 189 000 000	16 117 000 000

Item 05 03 01 11 — Payment for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
11 765 000 000	11 765 000 000	11 765 000 000	11 819 000 000	11 819 000 000

Item 05 03 01 13 — Payment for young farmers

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
453 000 000	453 000 000	453 000 000	573 000 000	573 000 000

Item 05 03 01 99 — Other (decoupled direct payments)

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
10 000 000	10 000 000	10 000 000	3 000 000	3 000 000

Item 05 03 02 50 — POSEI — European Union support programmes

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
419 000 000	419 000 000	419 000 000	420 000 000	420 000 000

Item 05 03 02 60 — Voluntary coupled support scheme

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
4 077 000 000	4 077 000 000	4 077 000 000	4 084 000 000	4 084 000 000

Item 05 03 02 61 — Small farmers scheme

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
939 000 000	939 000 000	939 000 000	802 000 000	802 000 000

Item 05 03 02 99 — Other (direct payments)

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 000 000	2 000 000	2 000 000	1 000 000	1 000 000

Item 05 05 04 02 — Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union *acquis*

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
28 178 364	80 000 000	28 178 364	70 000 000	28 178 364	80 000 000	28 178 364	80 000 000	18 178 364	80 000 000

Item 05 07 01 06 — Expenditure for financial corrections in favour of Member States following decisions on accounting clearance of previous years' accounts with regard to shared management declared under the EAGGF-Guarantee Section (previous measures) and under the EAGF

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
19 700 000	19 700 000	19 700 000	17 400 000	17 400 000

Item 05 07 01 07 — Expenditure for financial corrections in favour of Member States following decisions on conformity clearance of previous years' accounts with regard to shared management declared under the EAGGF-Guarantee Section (previous measures) and under the EAGF

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
p.m.		p.m.		p.m.		176 600 000		176 600 000	

Item 05 08 77 17 — Pilot project — Developing a farmers' toolbox for integrated pest management practices from across the Union

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	315 000	p.m.	315 000	1 875 000	1 252 500	p.m.	315 000	1 875 000	783 750

Remarks:

While EU legislation has been developed over the years to ensure sustainable use of pesticides, there are still many gaps in its implementation at Member State level and farmers say that replacing pesticides is difficult and costly or that alternatives do not exist.

Building on the findings of the recent Commission evaluation (COM(2017) 587 final), the study will assess integrated pest management (IPM) measures taken in each of the Member States, including farmland managed under IPM, and possibly classify them by type of crops. It will collect evidence of pesticide use reduction and gather information on the practices applied. The project will develop a toolbox to enable farmers and farmers' advisers to achieve the policy aim of significantly reducing pesticide dependency. The toolbox should describe, for a large number of crops, the protocols to be applied for IPM, including the alternatives to chemical pesticides. The study will identify and propose effective approaches, beginning with the modification of farming practices, using rotation wherever possible, followed by the introduction, where appropriate, of resilient and resistant crop varieties and the use of beneficial insects and alternative pesticides, etc. Alternatives should be tailored to local conditions.

The project, costing an estimated EUR 1 500 000 over two years, will take into account inter alia the experiences gained from work done by the International Organisation for Biological Control (IOBC), the International Biocontrol Manufacturer Association (IBMA) and organisations working with farmers on different agronomic approaches and IPM.

The study will contain an analysis of how well common agricultural policy (CAP) tools are promoting IPM among farmers. It will also propose how to scale up practices throughout Europe, with the help of the post-2020 CAP instruments (e.g. farm advisory services informing farmers how to apply IPM) and the CAP green architecture to encourage farmers to apply the principles of IPM.

The study will also investigate the obstacles (real or perceived) seen by farmers and experts that limit dissemination and uptake of IPM in the field.

Article 14 of Directive 2009/128/EC on Sustainable Use of Pesticides (SUD) lays down that 'Member States shall take all necessary measures to promote low pesticide-input pest management, giving wherever possible priority to non-chemical methods, so that professional users of pesticides switch to practices and products with the lowest risk to human health and the environment among those available for the same pest problem.'

The Commission's evaluation of the implementation of SUD (COM(2017) 587 final) states: 'Integrated Pest Management is a cornerstone of the Directive, and it is therefore of particular concern that Member States have not yet set clear targets and ensured their implementation, including for the more widespread use of land management techniques such as crop rotation.'

It also notes that 'Member States need to develop clearly defined criteria so that they can assess systematically whether the eight principles of IPM are implemented, and take appropriate enforcement

measures if this is not the case. Such tools could confirm that the intended outcome of IPM as specified in the Directive, a reduction of the dependency on pesticide use, is being achieved.’

Both the Agriculture Council (on 6 November 2017) and the European Parliament (on 13 November 2017) have discussed the findings in the Commission’s report and both have confirmed their commitment to ensuring deeper and meaningful implementation in the future.

This project will help farmers and Member States to begin applying IPM consistently, and reduce farmers’ dependence on pesticides.

As stated by the Commission, a budget of at least EUR 1 500 000 is necessary in order to implement the project successfully. The pilot project will generate results that can be incorporated into the research project ‘Stepping up integrated pest management’ and can contribute to gathering information on how IPM is currently applied on the ground, and will be useful for Member States in designing their CAP plans.

This ongoing pilot project, with a view to becoming a preparatory action, has been successfully reassessed and its budget increased. The budget increase was requested by the Commission and stakeholders in order to ensure optimum implementation. The increase makes up for the budget cuts made in connection with the compromise package in 2018 on pilot projects and preparatory actions

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item 05 08 77 18 — Pilot project — Establishing an operational programme: structuring the agri-food sectors to safeguard the handing-on of family farms and the sustainability of local agriculture

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	315 000	p.m.	315 000	800 000	715 000	p.m.	315 000	800 000	515 000

Item 05 09 03 01 — Securing sufficient supplies of safe and high quality food and other bio-based products

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
322 162 041	246 618 066	312 162 041	246 618 066	372 162 041	271 618 066	322 162 041	246 618 066	358 411 695	257 493 066

Article 06 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Mobility and transport’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
38 732 537	38 506 731	38 732 537	38 732 537	38 310 306

Item 06 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 365 758	2 281 383	2 365 758	2 365 758	2 365 758

Article 06 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Mobility and transport’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 540 763	2 382 698	2 540 763	2 540 763	2 540 763

Item 06 01 04 01 — Support expenditure for Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Transport

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
2 000 000		2 000 000		2 000 000		2 000 000		2 000 000	

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the programme support actions defined in point (7) of Article 2 and point (b) of Article 5(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility, amending Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 680/2007 and (EC) No 67/2010 (OJ L 348, 20.12.2013, p. 129), and directly related to the accompanying measures necessary for the implementation of the Connecting Europe Facility programme and trans-European transport network (TEN-T) guidelines. This includes expenditure on studies, meetings of experts, information and publications, software and databases supporting actions directly linked to the achievement of the objective of the Connecting Europe Facility.

Legal basis:

See Article 06 02 01.

Item 06 02 01 01 — Removing bottlenecks, enhancing rail interoperability, bridging missing links and improving cross-border sections

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 732 979 805	980 000 000	1 673 979 805	980 000 000	1 882 979 805	1 055 000 000	1 732 979 805	980 000 000	1 764 429 805	989 435 000

Item 06 02 01 02 — Ensuring sustainable and efficient transport systems

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
333 547 370	95 000 000	283 547 370	95 000 000	368 547 370	112 500 000	333 547 370	95 000 000	339 097 370	96 665 000

Item 06 02 01 03 — Optimising the integration and interconnection of transport modes and enhancing interoperability

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
457 547 618	372 469 092	397 547 618	352 469 092	497 547 618	392 469 092	457 547 618	372 469 092	457 547 618	372 469 092

Article 06 02 02 — European Union Aviation Safety Agency

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
37 954 000	37 954 000	37 954 000	37 954 000	43 506 000	43 506 000	37 954 000	37 954 000	37 954 000	37 954 000

Article 06 02 04 — European Union Agency for Railways

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
27 440 121	27 440 121	26 990 121	26 990 121	30 000 000	30 000 000	27 440 121	27 440 121	27 440 121	27 440 121

Item 06 02 77 23 — Pilot project — TachogrApp: feasibility study and cost analysis of developing a certified application to be used as a tachograph

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	280 000	p.m.	280 000	300 000	430 000	p.m.	280 000	300 000	355 000

Item 06 02 77 24 — Preparatory action — User-friendly information tool on urban and regional vehicle access regulation schemes

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	500 000	p.m.	500 000	1 000 000	1 000 000	p.m.	500 000	1 000 000	750 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the preparatory action.

This preparatory action will develop a user-friendly tool (online/app) enabling motorists (i.e. both professional and non-professional drivers) to be fully informed about urban and regional access regulation schemes.

The information will include: geographical scope, access conditions (vehicle type, time (including temporary restrictions with links to real-time information sources, etc.), tariffs (prices and validity), payment options, enforcement policies, penalties and appeal procedures etc., both for a country's own nationals and foreign nationals, with the possibility of information pushes at users' request

Consideration may also be given to including accompanying measures such as park-and-ride facilities, freight consolidation etc. could be considered.

The tool will primarily be targeted at private users (in parallel with existing platforms with information on passengers' rights), but it could also include specific information for professional users (e.g. road haulage companies) and links to navigation and routing platforms.

The second year of implementation of the preparatory action will focus on extending it to enable road users to be fully informed about urban and regional access schemes by working on the enablers needed, i.e. standardisation and data provision for the integration of information into navigation tools.

The preparatory action will consist of three stages:

1. Work on an Urban Vehicle Access Regulations template in the context of the Digital Single Gateway Regulation,
2. Work on data by working with DATEX experts, etc., and
3. Development of demonstrators.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item 06 02 77 25 — Pilot project — Eco labelling for aviation / Demonstration project for the introduction of a voluntary Green Label system in Aviation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 500 000	750 000			1 500 000	375 000

Remarks:

This project will provide easily accessible information on environmental performance in aviation, ideally from a neutral and independent source, to the travelling public and people living near airports.

In the same way that European citizens are informed about organic products, passengers will be informed about the green record of aircraft and airlines. The project will look into the green record of individual aircraft (noise and emissions) and carriers (greenhouse gas emissions, particulate matter emissions, offsetting, sustainable ('bio') fuels and aircraft noise) as well as operational measures.

The main activities will focus on developing governance, metrics, communication design and the eco-portal, which is an existing IT platform that will be expanded to include emissions, fleet and operational data to support the label scheme.

The scheme will also allow airports to rank airlines by environmental performance so as to provide local incentives.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 06 02 77 26 — Pilot project — Urban mobility interconnection with air transport infrastructure

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				300 000	150 000			300 000	75 000

Remarks:

This pilot project will be implemented in the form of a study; it will be designed to ensure the best interconnection between city centres and airports. While some airports are located at the close periphery of some big cities, some smaller airports are sometimes far away. Urban mobility should be investigated as a possible solution for shortage of infrastructure capacity while taking into account the environmental dimension, such as local air quality and noise. Traffic management as well as other technological options will also be assessed.

The study will also address the issue of long distance high speed railway connections to/between airports and urban areas.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 06 02 77 27 — Pilot project — Revitalisation of cross-border night trains

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				500 000	250 000			500 000	125 000

Remarks:

In view of the Commission's policy priorities to 'revitalise rail', construct a 'single European railway area' and achieve 'modal shift', and also in view of the pressing need to find alternatives to medium-haul flights and to meet international climate targets, this pilot project will focus on analysing, studying and formulating specific policy recommendations to help companies establish viable international train services, in particular high-speed and night-train services, including via legislation on public service provision.

The project will involve a comprehensive analysis of companies' new international services (high-speed but in particular night trains) and their most recent experiences and perceived difficulties, including the aspects of ticketing, potential difficulties in concluding international public service contracts and procurement and financing for upgrades and maintenance of rolling stock.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 06 02 77 28 — Pilot project — Capacity for the greening of European sea ports

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				300 000	150 000			300 000	75 000

Remarks:

One approach taken by port authorities that has recently been gaining momentum has been to determine a set of development activities and investments which would both create the appropriate technical and organisational set-up for future port operations and take into account various social and environmental requirements to maintain or improve the level of quality delivered in those two areas. The project will present the research that has been conducted into the level of awareness and behaviour of European ports in the field of sustainable development, and as regards the Green Port Concept (GPC) in particular. A hypothesis has been formulated that incorporation of the GPC into the development strategy for European sea ports will improve their environmental relationship and make them more competitive. The survey results will make it possible to identify the approach to be taken for the development of green ports and undertake research into assembling a package of instruments that will support those activities. It will therefore be possible to target the development strategies of European sea ports in line with the GPC.

Outcome/possible evolution of the project

Due to the wide range of potential uses of the research results, the authors have plans for a series of activities to publicise them, including a report on the quantitative survey, a series of scientific articles and a monograph.

Innovative/experimental nature of the project

The authors of the project will conduct a survey - the first of its kind in Europe - of the perception of EU port authorities' activities in the area of sustainable development of the GPC. The interdependence of actions undertaken and economic performance of sea port will then be studied. The new knowledge gained under the project will establish a new, complex and interdisciplinary approach to the organisation and operation of a sea port for business implementation. Moreover, any port will be able to be assessed as to the extent to which it is already implementing the green port concept and, subsequently, as to what type of actions should be taken to take the right approach and proceed with greening of the port. This should be the basis for further development of Green Port assessments, with appropriate measurements and values according to the GPC goals.

The maritime sector is witnessing heightened activity focusing on the sustainable development of sea ports. This activity covers the two main areas of their external operations, i.e. reducing the negative environmental impact of port investment and operational activity, and the relationship of ports with their surroundings. The social responsibility of sea ports is a factor which can make a difference, especially in the latter area. At the same time, port management bodies and municipal authorities are increasingly showing interest in both of these areas. The 'greenness' of ports and their community relations are verified each year in competitions and ranking tables (e.g. Green Port Awards).

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the

general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 06 03 03 01 — Achieving a resource-efficient, environmentally-friendly, safe and seamless European transport system

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
82 293 876	72 392 254	82 293 876	72 392 254	110 293 876	86 392 254	82 293 876	72 392 254	102 593 682	78 482 254

Item 06 03 07 31 — Single European Sky Air Traffic Management Research (SESAR) Joint Undertaking — Support expenditure

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
16 340 354	3 268 071	3 340 354	2 268 071	16 340 354	3 268 071	16 340 354	3 268 071	16 340 354	3 268 071

Item 06 03 07 32 — Single European Sky Air Traffic Management Research 2 (SESAR2) Joint Undertaking

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
104 455 700	106 611 934	104 455 700	106 611 934	114 455 700	111 611 934	104 455 700	106 611 934	104 455 700	106 611 934

Item 06 03 07 33 — Shift2Rail (S2R) Joint Undertaking — Support expenditure

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
5 194 004	1 031 451	1 694 004	1 031 451	5 194 004	1 031 451	5 194 004	1 031 451	5 194 004	1 031 451

Item 06 03 07 34 — Shift2Rail (S2R) Joint Undertaking

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
74 743 078	73 199 685	74 743 078	73 199 685	82 243 078	76 949 685	74 743 078	73 199 685	74 743 078	73 199 685

Article 07 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Environment’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
47 546 672		47 320 866		47 546 672		47 546 672		47 028 357	

Item 07 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
2 978 743		2 894 368		2 978 743		2 978 743		2 978 743	

Article 07 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Environment’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
3 118 950		2 960 885		3 118 950		3 118 950		3 118 950	

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

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
155 195 200	88 000 000	155 195 200	88 000 000	217 195 200	119 000 000	155 195 200	88 000 000	155 195 200	88 000 000

Article 07 02 02 — Halting and reversing biodiversity loss

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
220 844 000	112 000 000	220 844 000	112 000 000	308 844 000	156 000 000	220 844 000	112 000 000	220 844 000	112 000 000

Article 07 02 03 — Supporting better environmental governance and information at all levels

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
50 165 300	51 000 000	50 165 300	51 000 000	70 165 300	61 000 000	50 165 300	51 000 000	50 165 300	51 000 000

Article 07 02 06 — European Environment Agency

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
40 418 782	40 418 782	40 418 782	40 418 782	41 718 782	41 718 782	40 418 782	40 418 782	41 718 782	41 718 782

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the Agency's staff, administrative and operational expenditure.

The mission of the Agency is to provide the Union and the Member States with objective, reliable and comparable information on the environment at Union level, thus enabling them to take the requisite measures to protect the environment, to assess the results of such measures and to inform the public.

The Agency must inform the European Parliament and the Council about transfers of appropriations between operational and administrative expenditure.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this article. By way of information, these amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation; they give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the 'European Economic Area' Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget.

Any revenue from the contributions from candidate countries and, if applicable, the Western Balkan potential candidates for participating in Union programmes entered in Item 6 0 3 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations in accordance with points (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation.

Any revenue from the Swiss Confederation's contribution to participation in Union programmes entered in Item 6 0 3 3 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations in accordance with points (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation.

The amounts repaid in accordance with Article 17 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/715 of 18 December 2018 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies set up under the TFEU and Euratom Treaty and referred to in Article 70 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 122, 10.5.2019, p. 1) constitute assigned revenue (point (b) of Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation) to be charged to Item 6 6 0 0 of the general statement of revenue.

The establishment plan of the European Environment Agency is set out in Annex 'Staff' to this section.

The Union contribution for 2020 amounts to a total of EUR 41 972 000. An amount of EUR 253 218 coming from the recovery of 2018 surplus is added to the amount of EUR 41 718 782 entered in the budget.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EC) No 401/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the European Environment Agency and the European Environment Information and Observation Network (OJ L 126, 21.5.2009, p. 13).

Item 07 02 77 53 — Preparatory action — EU pollinator monitoring and indicators

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				5 000 000	2 500 000			5 000 000	1 250 000

Remarks:

The preparatory action will support the implementation of an EU-wide monitoring scheme for wild insect pollinators in Member States and construction of associated indicators.

Pollinators are an integral part of healthy ecosystems and their dramatic decline is a serious cause for concern. In Europe, animal pollination is primarily delivered by insects: around 2 000 bee species, 900 hoverfly species, 500 butterfly species and 8 000 moth species. Other fly species, wasps and beetles also play an important pollination role. Without them, many plant species would decline and eventually disappear, with far-reaching consequences for nature and human wellbeing. In the EU, four out of five crop and wild flowering plant species depend, at least in part, on animal pollination. Up to EUR 15 billion of the EU's annual agricultural output is directly attributed to insect pollinators; they are widely regarded as one of the most important indicators of a healthy environment.

On 1 June 2018, the Commission adopted the EU Pollinators Initiative, following calls from the European Parliament and the Council for action to tackle the widely acknowledged dramatic decline of pollinators. The initiative lays down a number of actions to address known causes of the decline, but also focuses on strengthening the knowledge base. It emphasises the importance of a systemic approach to collection of data and information on pollinators, in order to evaluate policy actions and improve their effectiveness. While in some areas there is a reasonable level of knowledge (decline of butterflies, the poor state of their habitats and the drivers of declines), knowledge gaps remain overall with regard to the status of and trends for most pollinator populations, as well as the causes and consequences of their decline. A coordinated monitoring process at EU level, powered by a standardised field data collection, will make it possible to close the critical gaps and develop robust indicators to underpin impactful EU policies for pollinators.

Pollinator indicators will in particular be essential for a new EU post-2020 biodiversity framework and the new Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). Pollinators are a high-profile topic in the work of the UN Convention on Biological Diversity, which sets a global framework of actions on biodiversity, and to which the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation actively contributes. This culminated in the first global report on pollinators issued by the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services in 2016. It is expected that pollinators will feature in targets for the future global biodiversity framework. Apart from the fact that pollinators represent a target on their own merit, pollinator indicators will also help measure progress towards a number of other biodiversity targets, including those relating to the EU Habitats Directive, the Natura 2000 network, agriculture and forestry.

As stipulated under Action 5C of the EU Pollinators Initiative, the Commission will include a pollinator indicator in the performance and monitoring framework of the CAP once it has been finalised and is operational. Such an indicator would be an invaluable addition to the indicator framework in the Commission proposals for the CAP 2021-2027: insect pollinators are a good proxy for wider biodiversity and an essential factor in agricultural production. Because of this dual role, pollinator indicators would be also an excellent addition to the monitoring framework for the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals in the EU, in particular Goals 15 ('Life on land') and 2 ('Zero hunger'). The grassland butterfly indicator is already included in that framework and this action will help underpin the sustainability of butterfly monitoring and indicator reporting across the EU.

While the monitoring and indicators developed under the EU Pollinators Initiative address wild pollinator species, they will also greatly benefit honeybee health and the beekeeping sector. Managed and wild species share food/forage resources as well as the main pressures on their populations. Monitoring of wild

species will provide not only good information about the quality of the environment for all pollinators, but also essential data for research into various pressures and their interplay. This is crucial for devising effective mitigation actions and supporting effective recovery.

Beyond this fundamental contribution to policy-making, data and information generated by the monitoring scheme would enable development of tools for land managers, in particular farmers. Data on the status of pollinator species, paired with good crop data (for example as per outputs of Action 3B of the EU Pollinators Initiative), would enable development of an atlas of pollinators and pollination or an early warning system for pollination deficit. These would help farmers, whose yields and profits essentially depend on pollinators, to make informed decisions on how to secure this agricultural input and mitigate risks relating to the decline of insect pollinators.

Furthermore, it would also enable tools for actors higher up the biomass chain, such as risk assessment and management tools for food and drink manufacturers, suppliers or retailers whose products and services depend on pollinator-dependent agricultural produce. In this way, good data and information on pollinators would support the bioeconomy agenda more broadly. The 2018 update of the Bioeconomy Strategy includes an action that would support the development of such tools, with a view to facilitating integration of pollinators into supply value chains (Action 3.3.4).

The scope of an EU pollinator monitoring scheme is expected to cover at least the main taxonomic groups: bees, hoverflies, butterflies and moths. At the moment, the only systemic EU-level monitoring of any pollinator group is conducted for butterflies in half the EU Member States. In 2018, the European Parliament funded the pilot project on EU butterfly monitoring and indicators (ABLE) to expand that monitoring scheme. This preparatory action will build on that pilot project to ensure full EU coverage with regard to monitoring butterflies, and will help establish the first-ever EU-level monitoring processes for other pollinator groups.

The Commission expects to launch a technical expert group in May 2019, mandated to devise an EU-wide pollinator monitoring scheme and pollinator indicators by May 2020. With a view to implementing the monitoring scheme and enabling the flow of data to build indicators as early as in 2021, it will be crucial to kick off the necessary preparations in Member States in 2020. Many Member States are expected to face challenges as regards administrative and academic capacities, meaning that successful implementation will help by focusing efforts early on.

Activities of the preparatory action:

The preparatory action will fund activities that help address challenges to Member State capacities with a view to facilitating harmonised implementation of an EU-wide monitoring scheme for insect pollinators.

Specifically, the preparatory action will support the following activities:

- Pooling of expertise at EU level, expert networking and training;
- Coordination of implementation of the scheme across Member States;
- Assistance with the preparation of administrative, financial and academic capacities in Member States;
- Assistance with initial implementation of the scheme in Member States with inadequate capacities;
- Building on and complementing the European Parliament pilot project ABLE with regard to the existing butterfly monitoring scheme.

This preparatory action will run for three years and will have a budget of EUR 5 000 000.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the

general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 07 02 77 54 — Preparatory action — Environmental monitoring through honey bees

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				3 000 000	1 500 000			3 000 000	750 000

Remarks:

The objective of this preparatory action is to put in place a tool for collecting environmental data with the help of honey bees and bee products. This will enable evaluation of pollution exposure and diffusion in the environment at landscape level. It will also enable evaluation of plant diversity across landscapes.

Despite the considerable impact of various environmental pollutants, in particular pesticides, on human wellbeing and nature, there are still major data and information gaps regarding exposure. Honey bees come into contact with diverse matrices due to their biological needs and behaviour. During their wide-ranging foraging activity (up to 15 km radius) they are exposed to pollutants present in the atmosphere, soil, vegetation and water. Numerous plants are visited every day to collect nectar, secretions from sap-feeding insects, pollen and/or water, while plant gums are collected for propolis production. While flying they also come into contact with airborne particles, which stick to their body hairs or are inhaled via spiracles. Contaminants are brought back to the beehives and may be found in bee products, such as honey, wax, propolis, pollen and bee bread. Honey bees and their products could also be an excellent tool for monitoring other environmental pollutants besides pesticides, such as heavy metals, particulate matter, volatile organic compounds and sulphur dioxide.

Honey bees are already used as bioindicators of the level of environmental contamination. Studies have been performed using bees and bee products as biological monitoring instruments to measure environmental quality. Various levels of environmental monitoring with honey bees have already been described, with varying degrees of complexity and sensitivity. Prompted by concern for honey bee colony losses, beekeepers, beekeeper technicians and scientists in parts of Europe began analysing the contaminant content of bees and bee products. The results are often the same: bees are exposed to a wide variety of contaminants simultaneously and consecutively.

Furthermore, there are considerable knowledge gaps as regards plant species richness and abundance across various landscapes in the EU. Such knowledge is essential for evaluation of habitat quality as well as evaluation of pressures that different land uses may exert on habitats. Collection and analysis of pollen from beehives offers a promising avenue to gather invaluable data and information that can help to close those knowledge gaps.

Environmental data and information generated through monitoring using honey bees would support EU policies in the following areas:

- Public health and food safety;
- Plant and animal health, including bee health;
- Agriculture rural development, including beekeeping;
- Agricultural production and food security;
- Environmental protection (nature, air, water, soil);
- Biodiversity.

It would in particular support effective actions under:

- Directive 2009/128/EC on the sustainable use of pesticides;

Regulation (EC) 1107/2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market;
 The EU common agricultural policy;
 EU biodiversity policy, including the EU Pollinators Initiative;
 Directive (EU) 2016/2284 on the reduction of national emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants;
 Directive 2010/75/EU on industrial emissions.

In this way, environmental monitoring through honey bees would contribute towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in the EU, in particular Goals 2 ('Zero hunger'), 3 ('Good health and wellbeing'), 12 ('Responsible consumption and production'), 14 ('Life below water') and 15 ('Life on land').

In 2018, the European Parliament funded the pilot project 'Environmental monitoring of pesticide use through honey bees'. This preparatory action will build on that pilot project. It will further expand the scope to other environmental pollutants as well as monitoring of plant diversity. The preparatory action will be a citizen science project in which beekeepers will play a key role by collecting samples from beehives.

Activities of the preparatory action:

The preparatory action will fund EU-wide implementation of the monitoring methodology currently being developed and tested by the pilot project. Furthermore, the action will look to expand the monitoring to include other environmental pollutants and plant diversity.

Specifically, activities under this preparatory action will:

- Explore how to expand the monitoring protocol to include environmental pollutants besides pesticides, and develop relevant modules;

- Implement the monitoring protocol by sampling beehives across various land uses in all Member States;

- Carry out chemical and pollen analysis of samples;

- Develop IT infrastructure to create, store, manage, process and share data;

This preparatory action will run for three years and will have a budget of EUR 4 000 000.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 07 02 77 55 — Preparatory action — Measuring the pulse of European biodiversity using the Red List Index

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 400 000	1 200 000			2 400 000	600 000

Remarks:

This preparatory action will evaluate the changes in biodiversity status in Europe, at the EU28 and pan-European levels, address clustered drivers of decline and monitor the impact of conservation measures and policy action. It will be an important contribution to the final evaluation of the EU Biodiversity Strategy and the post-2020 biodiversity frameworks. The proposed approach combines the mobilisation of dedicated knowledge networks and data with the use of an established metric, the International Union

for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List Index (RLI), so as to update existing European Red Lists (ERL) and assess status changes in species, with the aim of informing sectoral and land use policies, which is critical for refining the scope of their action.

In Europe, the risk of extinction of species has increased dramatically over the last 20 years. While the drivers of these declines are largely known for some groups of organisms, and conservation measures and policies have been implemented to prevent the continuation of these downward trends, data and knowledge on species trends and threats are either non-existent or not easily accessible, species status indicators have not been systematically produced, and the geographical scope of conservation and policy action has been uneven. This makes it more difficult to understand the impact of specific recovery measures and poses a challenge to measuring EU progress against regionally and internationally agreed targets to halt biodiversity loss.

The IUCN RLI is a widely accepted metric for measuring changes in extinction risk globally and has been adopted as an official indicator of progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals and the global Aichi Biodiversity Targets. As such, it was recently used to assess regional trends in mammals, birds and amphibians for Europe and Central Asia in the regional assessment report of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and is proposed to be used in the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. The RLI uses data from the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species, which in Europe has assessed over 11 000 species since 2006 at two regional levels: for geographic Europe, and for the 28 Member States of the European Union. For marine species, the area covered by the assessments includes the Mediterranean, the Black, Baltic and North Seas, and the European part of the Atlantic Ocean (i.e. territorial waters and Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZ), including the EEZs of the Macaronesian Islands belonging to Portugal and Spain). However, IUCN Red List assessments become officially outdated after 10 years and no taxonomic group has ever been reassessed at the EU28 and pan-European levels. Therefore, it is vital that species be regularly reassessed to obtain a reliable and meaningful indicator of European biodiversity trends and threat abatement over time for more widespread evidence-informed policy-making.

The preparatory action will use the IUCN RLI to estimate the aggregate extinction risk for almost all taxa assessed to date by the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species at the EU28 and pan-European levels. These include vertebrates (mammals, amphibians, reptiles and freshwater fish), invertebrates (non-marine molluscs, butterflies, saproxylic beetles, dragonflies and bees) and plants (vascular and medicinal). The IUCN RLI can measure whether the rate of biodiversity loss has been reduced in Europe, helping to improve the effectiveness of conservation measures applied on the ground while assessing progress in implementing EU policies and legislation, such as the current EU Biodiversity Strategy – particularly Target 1, which aims to increase the protection of species and their habitats by fully implementing the EU Nature Directives – as well as informing policy targets in the post-2020 agenda. These reassessments should be aligned with the policy cycle (e.g. 2010 Biodiversity Action Plan, EU biodiversity policy to 2020, 2030 Biodiversity Strategy, etc.).

The overall methodology for species reassessments will be based on the existing Red List assessments. Some preliminary work will be needed to collect the necessary information and update the assessments. Assessment workshops will take place only to review the Red List status of the most endangered species, and so they are expected to be fewer in number than for a typical assessment exercise, and, consequently, cheaper. The duration of these workshops will vary from one to four days, depending on the number of species to be assessed. Taxonomic knowledge, expertise and data will be mobilised through engagement with the relevant Specialist Groups of the IUCN Species Survival Commission (SSC), and with IUCN staff leading the global assessment by these groups. Additional consultation with and engagement of local and international experts will be key to the success of the activities, and so this action has a huge potential for galvanising local knowledge hubs and for capacity building (through workshops). The IUCN Red List typically makes species assessments and distribution maps freely available on its website, and all the newly collected information will be uploaded to the European Environment Agency (EEA) Biodiversity

Data Centre. Any additional detailed time series data on population abundance and distribution for the proposed groups of species collected under this action will be made available, subject to the terms established in legal data sharing agreements with existing monitoring schemes to clarify intellectual property rights and rights of access to data, in an integrated database that can directly contribute to an integrated monitoring system for biodiversity and ecosystems to be developed by the Commission and the EEA.

DELIVERABLES

The reassessments will provide four main deliverables:

- 1) An ERL publication for each group of species (EU and pan-European levels), providing an overview of the analyses undertaken and the results of the reassessment process, including examples of species with positive, stable and negative trends as shown by the RLI, a compilation of conservation successes and failures, with key messages and recommendations tailored to the main sectors responsible for actions taking place across Europe that continue to support and/or threaten species conservation. These will be critical to improving biodiversity mainstreaming across non-state actors and informing the general public as to which actions and behaviours will benefit European biodiversity and promote ecosystem services and, hence, human wellbeing. The final reassessments for each species will also be presented in updated factsheets on the IUCN website. The advantages of uploading the factsheets to the Red List website are: access to all ERL data in one place; access to the most up-to-date assessments beyond the scope of this action which benefit from new information being incorporated by the SSC Expert Network; and a comparison with global and other regional assessments for the same species. In line with previous ERL publications, the updated assessments will be in full colour with figures and photos throughout, and the publications will also be designed to minimise download times for the PDF version. The publications will be delivered in print (300 copies) as well as in electronic formats (Word and PDF).
- 2) Integration of updated Red List databases into the EEA Biodiversity Data Centre and its hosting infrastructure. All the information collected to estimate the RLI (population size, distribution, demographic trends, habitats, threats) will be used to update the current species assessments in the Species Information Service, and exported to Microsoft Access databases (per taxonomic group), which will then be formatted in accordance with the requirements of the EEA Biodiversity Data Centre, where they will be made available.
- 3) Preparation of text for the Europa website. A new tab under the current index available for each ERL assessment on the Europa website showing the results of the RLI for each taxonomic group will be created and the respective text will be prepared in parallel with the ERL publications. The current structure (i.e. titles and subtitles) as developed for previous ERL projects might require revision to better encapsulate and profile the efforts for, and results of, systematic monitoring and of the RLI.
- 4) ‘The pulse of European biodiversity’ brochure summarising the findings of the reassessments and the RLI, highlighting the importance of biodiversity monitoring and long-term trends, clustering drivers of threat to provide key messages to the societal sectors with the greatest impacts, and celebrating cases of conservation success. It is important that positive messages be included to help create the optimistic social movement that will enable change. The brochure will be produced in line with the Commission’s visual identity guidelines. It will have broad appeal and will be used to communicate with policymakers and the interested public. It will also be an important communication tool for the media and will provide DG Environment with a very useful tool that can be widely distributed to other DGs and stakeholders, and used in awareness-raising campaigns. The brochures will be delivered in print (1 500 copies) as well as in electronic formats (Word and PDF).

This three-year preparatory action will have a total budget of EUR 2 400 000.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 07 02 77 56 — Pilot project — Making the Iron Gate dams passable for Danube sturgeon

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 000 000	1 000 000			2 000 000	500 000

Remarks:

This pilot project will assess technical solutions for opening a migration route for sturgeon to pass the Iron Gate hydropower dams I and II on the Danube River on the border between Romania and Serbia. Considering the size of the dams (the largest on the River Danube), the size of the fish (up to 7 metres in length) and the surrounding rocky terrain, this is an extraordinary engineering challenge requiring a solution with a high degree of innovation, tailored to local circumstances.

Restoring sturgeon migration aids is highlighted as a flagship project under the Sturgeon Strategy of the International Commission for the Protection of the Danube River (ICPDR) as well as in the Action Plan of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region with a view to improving the conservation status of the Danube sturgeon. The flagship project also contributes to the implementation of the pan-European Action Plan for the Conservation of the Sturgeon under the Bern Convention, to which the EU is a party.

This pilot project will prepare a sound and comprehensive technical feasibility study for facilitating sturgeon migration including:

- 1) concept/pre-design for potential technical options for upstream and downstream fish passage restoration, including comparison of advantages and disadvantages (restrictions), cost estimates, risks (technical, financial) and identification of the next steps required for an outline design, including structural design, technical components design and operational concept;
- 2) hydraulic modelling;
- 3) concept for an implementation strategy (the sequence of structure implementation, e.g. a step-by-step process following a learning-by-doing approach, i.e. an adaptive fishway design approach);
- 4) identification of feasible management alternatives, in particular for downstream fish protection (e.g. turbine management, trap and transport) – both short-term and long-term;
- 5) field surveys necessary to fill knowledge gaps not covered by ongoing studies (non-existing data or outdated data);
- 6) concept for fishway evaluation/monitoring;
- 7) update of funding concept;
- 8) review of technical concepts by peer reviewers/fishway experts.

These components of the technical Feasibility Study will cost some EUR 2 000 000. The ICPDR as well as the competent national authorities of Romania and Serbia will be closely involved in the implementation of the study.

The activities to be implemented could be redesigned to avoid possible overlaps with ongoing work.

Funding for this project is currently not provided for in any EU programme.

There is no ready-to-apply design for this kind of fish pass and the innovative solution funded under this project will thus be a paradigm for designing comparable fish passes on other, large European rivers. Similar challenges to that of making Iron Gate I and II passable for large fish (e.g. large scale, high discharge, variable water levels in the reservoir) are also encountered around the Baltic Sea, where large dams on the Vistula (Poland), the Neman (Lithuania) and the Daugava (Latvia) rivers hinder fish migration and sturgeon reintroduction programmes. Other examples are the Gabčíkovo dam as well as larger dams on the Tisza and Drava in the Danube basin, on the Evros in Bulgaria and Greece, and rivers on the Iberian Peninsula, for example on the Guadalquivir, a former sturgeon river. Finding fish migration solutions for all these rivers would be an important contribution to implementation of the EU Water Framework Directive.

Passages for sturgeon on large dams only exist in Russia on the Volga and Kuban rivers and in the United States on the Connecticut and Columbia rivers. Experience gathered with these facilities should be taken into account, but will not answer all questions. One of the best known and most successful examples of fish passes for sturgeon in Europe is at Geesthacht in Germany, but there the weir is only 4.5 m high, whereas Iron Gate I is 60 m high.

In addition, this pilot project will also involve Serbian water management stakeholders, thereby helping them learn how to comply with the environmental acquis.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 07 02 77 57 — Preparatory action — Promoting alternatives to animal testing

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 800 000	900 000			1 800 000	450 000

Remarks:

The previous pilot project to promote and develop alternatives to animal testing provided for various actions (to develop education and training but also to improve information and communication on alternative methods) as identified in the three pillars of actions proposed by the Commission for the pilot project in its 'Interim report on the implementation of Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions 2017' (Ref. Ares(2017)1094287 - 01/03/2017) and carried out by the Commission in 2018. In order to ensure the sustainability and efficiency of those successful actions, the pilot project should continue as a preparatory action.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 07 02 77 58 — Preparatory action – Creation of a European drought resilience and adaptation observatory

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 500 000	750 000			1 500 000	375 000

Remarks:

The main objective of the preparatory action is to turn the European drought observatory into an organisation with institutional capacity and human and material resources, so that a university network, R&D units, companies from the productive sector and civil society can operate efficiently and effectively.

This European observatory will carry out research into the origins and consequences of droughts.

The aim is also to combine human resources and scientific and technical knowledge in order to provide information (analysis of statistics and trends) and methodologies for handling and adapting productive resources to the realities and needs of each region and each specific agricultural production type, and to provide assistance and advisory service support to the Member States and regions affected by drought.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 07 02 77 59 — Pilot project — Improving guidance and knowledge sharing between land managers, conservationists and local communities to preserve cultural heritage landscapes under and outside Natura 2000

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				439 881	219 940			439 881	109 970

Remarks:

Landcare initiatives are characterised by close cooperation between conservationists, farmers and local communities. Their aim is to preserve the diversity of European landscapes and their biodiversity, and to provide support for the further sustainable development of rural economies. Cooperative nature conservation efforts on the basis of Landcare principles currently exist in six Member States (France, Germany, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Romania and Spain) and a start is currently being made on similar approaches in other Member States (e.g. Lithuania and Czechia).

Actively improving how EU nature directives are implemented provides the setting within which Landcare initiatives are taking place. The project will promote the relevant CAP measures, including measures for farmland birds and Natura 2000 site management, and work to include all relevant measures/goals in the CAP strategic plans and the Prioritised Action Frameworks. In addition, implementation of the Water Framework Directive is considered an important factor for the project and for implementation of EU nature legislation.

To achieve these goals in the regions on the ground, the participating organisations are carrying out a broad range of activities in support of various stakeholders in relevant rural areas in order to secure conservation measures from a structural perspective.

The main working areas for implementation of EU nature legislation involve:

- offering additional sources of income for land users through landcare measures, e.g. agri-environmental measures that preserve landscapes and biodiversity,
- marketing high quality regional products (e.g. from Natura 2000 sites),
- supporting rural tourism,
- creating jobs,
- and fostering regional identities.

Experience so far shows that the Landcare approach improves implementation of EU nature directives by enhancing local biodiversity, preserving cultural landscapes and improving quality of life for people in rural areas. In line with the Action Plan for nature, people and the economy, these developments promote smarter participatory approaches and strengthen full involvement of landowners and users.

There should therefore be efforts to intensify contact and exchange of experiences within the European Landcare initiatives and organisations. In recent years, a start has been made on pooling experience among various European Landcare initiatives, which have benefited from those contacts. During mutual visits and workshops, new approaches for better implementation of EU environment/nature and farming policies have been developed; but today it is essential to strengthen this cooperation on a European level so as to boost the long-term benefit for rural development and nature.

Greater collaboration across Europe would also help improve implementation of EU directives, such as the Habitats Directive and the Water Framework Directive, and the impact of the Common Agricultural Policy on cultural landscapes in various countries. Feedback and suggestions will be summarised and shared with the Commission as well as with the competent ministries in the Member States.

This project will involve both existing and new partners so that they learn from defined key factors and practical experience. They can participate in workshops and the European conference. The project will therefore ultimately help foster European partnerships and strengthen the European Union. Accordingly, five workshops with successful partners will be run in order to define key factors for cooperative nature conservation. The key factors will be summarised in a multilingual publication and presented at a final European conference on 'Landcare Europe – cooperative nature conservation to benefit man and nature'. New Landcare movements can use this to improve their work on the ground.

The central goal of the project is to promote better implementation of EU directives, such as the Habitats Directive and the Water Framework Directive, and the impact of the Common Agricultural Policy on cultural landscapes in various countries. Feedback and suggestions will be summarised and delivered to the Commission as well as to the respective ministries in the Member States. This will also foster the transfer of knowledge and practical experiences from one country to another and the development of suitable programmes if necessary.

This project will involve both existing and new partners so that they learn from defined key factors and practical experience. They can participate in workshops and the European conference. The project will therefore ultimately help foster European partnerships and strengthen the European Union.

In addition to implementation of EU nature conservation directives, further topics will be discussed that are not directly related to everyday Landcare work in Europe, with the aim of finding solutions and learning from tried-and-tested practices:

questions of coexistence with large carnivores in rural areas;

lessons learnt and conclusions for the restoration of habitats for farmland birds and participation in the new contract relating to farmland birds;

on the basis of experience gained and suggestions emerging from landcare initiatives in Europe, the pilot project will contribute to updating guidance on Natura 2000 and farmland;

conclusions will also feed in to action to promote several deliverables under the Action Plan for Nature;

Experiences and lessons learnt can also feed in to biogeographical networking events, etc.

The special value of Landcare initiative collaboration is that, in the process, a bridge is built between nature conservation, land users and local communities. Therefore, EU policy targets can be better achieved and a pro-European atmosphere can be promoted in rural areas.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 08 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Research and innovation’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
6 207 137		5 981 331		6 207 137		6 207 137		6 139 472	

Item 08 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
321 492		237 117		321 492		321 492		321 492	

Article 08 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Research and innovation’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
407 173		249 108		407 173		407 173		407 173	

Item 08 01 05 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff implementing research and innovation programmes — Horizon 2020

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
99 202 032		98 702 032		99 202 032		99 202 032		99 202 032	

Item 08 02 01 01 — Strengthening frontier research in the European Research Council

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 169 970 133	1 978 553 728	2 051 470 133	1 965 553 728	2 199 970 133	1 993 553 728	2 169 970 133	1 978 553 728	2 169 970 133	1 978 553 728

Item 08 02 01 02 — Strengthening research in future and emerging technologies

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	35 423 585	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	35 423 585	p.m.	35 423 585	p.m.	35 423 585

Item 08 02 01 03 — Strengthening European research infrastructures, including e-infrastructures

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
247 270 417	198 815 486	235 770 417	198 815 486	247 270 417	198 815 486	247 270 417	198 815 486	247 270 417	198 815 486

Item 08 02 02 01 — Leadership in nanotechnologies, advanced materials, laser technology, biotechnology and advanced manufacturing and processing

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
596 300 594	518 793 206	536 300 594	510 793 206	616 300 594	528 793 206	596 300 594	518 793 206	596 300 594	518 793 206

Item 08 02 02 02 — Enhancing access to risk finance for investing in research and innovation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
463 764 801	120 856 938	435 764 801	120 856 938	463 764 801	120 856 938	463 764 801	120 856 938	390 264 801	98 806 938

Item 08 02 02 03 — Increasing innovation in small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
58 696 783	31 186 450	46 196 783	31 186 450	58 696 783	31 186 450	58 696 783	31 186 450	58 696 783	31 186 450

Item 08 02 03 01 — Improving lifelong health and well-being

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
648 685 745	597 667 007	642 685 745	597 667 007	713 685 745	630 167 007	648 685 745	597 667 007	675 046 838	605 575 007

Remarks:

Lifelong health and well-being for all, high-quality and economically sustainable health and care systems, with health care becoming more personalised for more efficacy, and opportunities for new jobs and growth in the health sector and its related industries are the aims of this activity. To that respect activities will focus on effective health promotion and disease prevention (e.g. understanding the determinants of health, developing better preventive vaccines). Particular attention will be paid to gender- and age-related health specificities. In addition, emphasis will be placed on managing, treating and curing disease (notably via an increased personalisation of medicine), including fighting cancer, disability and reduced functionality (e.g. by transferring knowledge to clinical practice and scalable innovation actions, better use of health data, independent and assisted living). Furthermore, efforts will be made to improve decision-making in prevention and treatment provision, identify and support the dissemination of best practice in the health care sector, and support integrated care and the uptake of technological, organisational and social innovations empowering in particular older persons as well as disabled persons to remain active and independent. Finally, activities will be based on a gender-sensitive approach that recognises, amongst other things, the position of women in both the informal and the formal care sector.

Legal basis:

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965), and in particular point (a) of Article 3(3) thereof.

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 08 02 03 02 — Securing sufficient supplies of safe, healthy and high quality food and other bio-based products

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
288 728 659	196 048 586	260 528 659	196 048 586	318 728 659	211 048 586	288 728 659	196 048 586	288 728 659	196 048 586

Item 08 02 03 03 — Making the transition to a reliable, sustainable and competitive energy system

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
378 723 375	371 904 517	378 723 375	371 904 517	433 723 375	445 679 517	378 723 375	371 904 517	437 834 269	389 637 517

Remarks:

Research efforts to ensure a secure, clean and efficient energy supply will focus on reducing the Union's energy consumption and carbon footprint and on securing a low-cost, low-carbon electricity supply. These efforts will build on the objectives and priorities of the Energy Union and the Strategic Energy Technology (SET) Plan.

At least 85 % of the budget appropriations will be allocated to the renewables and energy efficiency policy areas, including smart grids, energy storage and smart cities and communities.

Revenues and repayment from financial instruments, paid back to the Commission and entered in Item 6 4 1 0 and 6 4 1 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations in accordance with Article 21(5) of the Financial Regulation.

Attention shall be paid to helping to close the research and innovation divide in Europe, without undermining the excellence criteria.

Legal basis:

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965), and in particular point (c) of Article 3(3) thereof.

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 08 02 03 04 — Achieving a European transport system that is resource-efficient, environmentally friendly, safe and seamless

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
266 184 054	281 336 863	231 584 054	271 036 863	312 584 054	304 536 863	266 184 054	281 336 863	291 118 104	288 816 863

Item 08 02 03 05 — Achieving a resource-efficient and climate change resilient economy and a sustainable supply of raw materials

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
335 790 132	270 375 566	335 790 132	270 375 566	375 790 132	314 275 566	335 790 132	270 375 566	357 285 003	276 823 566

Remarks:

The main focus of this activity is to achieve a resource-efficient and climate change resilient economy and a sustainable supply of raw materials in order to meet the needs of a growing global population within the sustainable limits of the planet's natural resources. To that respect emphasis will be placed on fighting and adapting to climate change, on sustainably managing natural resources and ecosystems and on enabling the transition towards a green economy through eco-innovation. Comprehensive and sustained global environmental observation and information systems will also be developed.

Revenues and repayment from financial instruments, paid back to the Commission and entered in Item 6 4 1 0 and 6 4 1 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations in accordance with Article 21(5) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965), and in particular point (e) of Article 3(3) thereof.

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 08 02 03 06 — Fostering inclusive, innovative and reflective European societies

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
139 557 525	128 990 572	130 057 525	128 990 572	139 557 525	128 990 572	139 557 525	128 990 572	139 557 525	128 990 572

Article 08 02 04 — Spreading excellence and widening participation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
133 166 041	134 355 325	133 166 041	134 355 325	146 482 645	141 013 627	133 166 041	134 355 325	138 566 660	135 975 325

Article 08 02 05 — Horizontal activities of Horizon 2020

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
115 382 001	99 235 199	111 882 001	99 235 199	115 382 001	99 235 199	115 382 001	99 235 199	115 382 001	99 235 199

Article 08 02 06 — Science with and for society

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
73 431 161	64 810 922	68 431 161	64 810 922	74 000 000	65 095 342	73 431 161	64 810 922	73 431 161	64 810 922

Item 08 02 07 32 — Innovative Medicines Initiative 2 (IMI2) Joint Undertaking

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
249 947 970	184 313 342	249 947 970	184 313 342	249 947 970	184 313 342	249 947 970	184 313 342	243 447 970	179 520 198

Remarks:

The Innovative Medicines Initiative 2 (IMI2) Joint Undertaking, a joint undertaking (JU) between the Commission and the biopharmaceutical industry, will build up on the results of its predecessor, IMI. IMI2's objective is to improve the drug development process by supporting more efficient research and development cooperation among academia, small and medium-sized enterprises and the biopharmaceutical industry, in order to deliver better and safer medicines for patients.

IMI2 JU shall contribute to the implementation of Horizon 2020, and in particular the specific objective 'Health, demographic change and wellbeing for all' of the priority 'Societal challenges'.

Legal basis:

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965).

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Council Regulation (EU) No 557/2014 of 6 May 2014 establishing the Innovative Medicines Initiative 2 Joint Undertaking (OJ L 169, 7.6.2014, p. 54).

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 08 02 07 33 — Bio-Based Industries (BBI) Joint Undertaking — Support expenditure

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
8 613 816	2 286 218	8 613 816	2 286 218	8 613 816	2 286 218	8 613 816	2 286 218	8 613 816	2 286 218

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the administrative and running costs of the Joint Undertaking.

Legal basis:

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965).

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Council Regulation (EU) No 560/2014 of 6 May 2014 establishing the Bio-based Industries Joint Undertaking (OJ L 169, 7.6.2014, p. 130).

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 08 02 07 36 — Clean Sky 2 Joint Undertaking

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
284 058 252	299 887 500	284 058 252	299 887 500	304 058 252	309 887 500	284 058 252	299 887 500	284 058 252	299 887 500

Item 08 02 07 38 — Fuel Cells and Hydrogen 2 (FCH 2) Joint Undertaking

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
79 615 399	74 336 359	79 615 399	74 336 359	99 615 399	84 336 359	79 615 399	74 336 359	79 615 399	74 336 359

Article 08 02 08 — SME instrument

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
587 742 199	532 049 827	659 742 199	532 049 827	659 742 199	532 049 827	587 742 199	532 049 827	659 742 199	553 649 827

Remarks:

This dedicated market-oriented instrument shall support the participation of SMEs in Horizon 2020 targeting all types of innovative SMEs that wish to develop, grow and internationalise. Support shall be provided to innovation in SMEs through the implementation of the SME instrument under a single management system and implemented in a bottom-up manner.

A minimum of 7 % of the total budgets of the specific objective ‘Leadership in enabling and industrial technologies’ and the priority ‘Societal challenges’ shall be allocated to the dedicated SME instrument averaged over the duration of Horizon 2020.

Legal basis:

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965), and in particular point (c) of Article 3(2) thereof.

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104), and in particular Annex II thereof.

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 08 03 01 01 — Euratom — Fusion energy

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
172 526 872	174 611 650	166 626 872	173 511 650	172 526 872	174 611 650	172 526 872	174 611 650	172 526 872	174 611 650

Item 08 03 01 02 — Euratom — Nuclear fission and radiation protection

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
74 754 023	92 297 374	71 854 023	91 397 374	74 754 023	92 297 374	74 754 023	92 297 374	73 354 023	91 597 374

Article 09 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Communications networks, content and technology’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
45 932 816		45 707 010		45 932 816		45 932 816		45 432 094	

Item 09 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
2 198 573		2 114 198		2 198 573		2 198 573		2 198 573	

Article 09 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Communications networks, content and technology’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
3 013 085		2 855 020		3 013 085		3 013 085		3 013 085	

Article 09 02 01 — Definition and implementation of the Union’s policy in the field of electronic communications

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 815 000	3 000 000	3 815 000	3 000 000	5 315 000	3 750 000	3 815 000	3 000 000	3 315 000	2 600 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure on a set of measures designed to:

- coordinate a better regulatory framework for competition, investment and growth over the entire range of issues in the e-communications field: economic analysis, impact assessment, policy development, regulatory compliance,
- carry out and review the Union’s policy on electronic communication networks and services with a view to launching initiatives designed to meet the challenges in this dynamically evolving sector (convergence of electronic communications with audiovisual and content delivery),

- facilitate the implementation of the digital single market, in actions related to broadband targets through regulation, policy and public financial assistance, including coordination with cohesion policy in the areas relevant to electronic communications networks and services,
- develop policies and coordination measures which will ensure that Member States implement their national broadband plans with reference to the fixed and mobile infrastructure and their possible convergence, including coherence and economic efficiency of public interventions at Union and Member State levels,
- develop policy and legislation with a particular focus on issues related to access and authorisation of e-communications networks and services, notably interoperability, interconnection, civil works, the independence of regulators and new measures to strengthen the single market,
- facilitate the monitoring and implementation of relevant legislation in all Member States,
- provide coordination of infringement proceedings, and input to relevant State aid matters,
- develop policy and legislation with a particular focus on issues related to retail and consumer issues notably net neutrality, switching, roaming, demand and use stimulation and universal service,
- promote, monitor and review the implementation of the Union roaming policy as established under Regulation (EU) 2015/2120 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 laying down measures concerning open internet access and amending Directive 2002/22/EC on universal service and users' rights relating to electronic communications networks and services and Regulation (EU) No 531/2012 on roaming on public mobile communications networks within the Union (OJ L 310, 26.11.2015, p. 1),
- develop and implement consistent market-based regulations to be applied by national regulatory authorities and to respond to individual notifications from those authorities, notably regarding relevant markets, competition and appropriate regulatory intervention, in particular for next generation access networks,
- develop policies across the board which will ensure that Member States manage all uses of spectrum, including the different internal market realms such as e-communications, 5G (including broadband internet), and innovation,
- promote and monitor the implementation of the regulatory framework for communication services (including the mechanism provided for in Article 7 of Directive 2002/21/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 March 2002 on a common regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services (Framework Directive) (OJ L 108, 24.4.2002, p. 33),
- enable third countries to pursue a policy of opening up their markets to the same extent as in the Union,
- promote and monitor the implementation of the radio spectrum policy programme (Decision No 243/2012/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 March 2012 establishing a multiannual radio spectrum policy programme (OJ L 81, 21.3.2012, p. 7)),
- develop policies on copyright at Union level, including on Directive 96/9/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 1996 on the legal protection of databases (OJ L 77, 27.3.1996, p. 20),
- develop, implement and monitor policies in the context of the digital single market, on e-commerce in the Union, in particular those related to Directive 2000/31/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2000 on certain legal aspects of information society services, in particular electronic commerce, in the Internal Market ('Directive on electronic commerce') (OJ L 178, 17.7.2000, p. 1), including the assessment of legal and economic barriers stemming from the internal market framework for electronic commerce or from related measures,

- support the implementation and take-up of policies in the context of eGovernment (in particular the eGovernment Action Plan 2016-2020) and eIDAS (Regulation (EU) No 910/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions in the internal market and repealing Directive 1999/93/EC (OJ L 257, 28.8.2014, p. 73)) in order to advance the quality and innovation of public administrations and accelerate the large-scale public and private sector use of trusted identification and trust services in the digital single market,
- support actions to safeguard the continued stability and security of the internet governed by a genuine multi-stakeholder model to ensure that economic and social opportunities offered by electronic communications can be fully exploited,
- continue implementing the action lines put forward in the Commission communication of 12 February 2014 entitled ‘Internet Policy and Governance — Europe’s role in shaping the future of Internet Governance’ (COM(2014) 072 final), and notably
- providing financial support for the Internet Governance Forum, the Pan-European dialogue on Internet Governance (EuroDIG) and the secretariat of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) Governmental Advisory Committee,
- promote the importance of ICTs in the development of the post-2015 sustainable development goals, including through capacity and confidence-building measures in the area of electronic communications addressed at third countries.

The specific objectives of those measures are:

- the formulation of a Union policy and strategy in the field of communication services and networks (including convergence between electronic communications and audiovisual environments, aspects related to the internet, etc.),
- the continuous development of radio spectrum policy in the Union,
- the development of activities in the mobile and satellite communications sector, particularly as regards frequencies, and demand stimulation,
- an analysis of the situation and the legislation adopted in these areas, as well as State aid decisions,
- an analysis of the financial state of play and investment intensities in the sector,
- the coordination of these policies and initiatives as regards the international environment (e.g. WRC, CEPT, etc.),
- the development of activities and initiatives in relation to the digital single market, including on roaming,
- the development of activities and initiatives in relation to cohesion policy,
- the continuous development and maintenance of the database in relation to the radio spectrum policy programme and other actions related to monitoring and the implementation of the programme,
- the promotion and further advancement of the Union’s vision of the multi-stakeholder model of Internet governance.

Those measures consist, inter alia, in preparing analyses and progress reports, consulting stakeholders and the public, preparing communications, legislative proposals and monitoring the application of legislation, and translations of notifications and consultations under Article 7 of Directive 2002/21/EC.

This appropriation is also intended to cover, in particular, contracts for analysis and expert reports, specific studies, evaluation reports, coordination activities, grants and the part-financing of certain measures.

In addition, it is also intended to cover expenditure on meetings of experts, communication events, membership fees, information and publications directly linked to the achievement of the objectives of the policy or measures coming under this article, and any other expenditure on technical and administrative assistance not involving public authority tasks outsourced by the Commission under ad hoc service contracts.

Legal basis:

Task resulting from the Commission's prerogatives at institutional level, as provided for in Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Article 09 02 03 — European Union Agency for Network and Information Security (ENISA)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
20 535 495	20 535 495	20 535 495	20 535 495	20 646 000	20 646 000	20 535 495	20 535 495	20 535 495	20 535 495

Article 09 02 04 — Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC) — Office

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
7 117 000	7 117 000	7 117 000	7 117 000	7 775 000	7 775 000	7 117 000	7 117 000	7 117 000	7 117 000

Item 09 02 77 08 — Preparatory action — Monitoring media pluralism in the digital era

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	687 500	p.m.	687 500	1 000 000	1 187 500	p.m.	687 500	1 000 000	937 500

Item 09 02 77 09 — Pilot project — A Europe-wide rapid response mechanism for violations of press and media freedom

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	700 000	p.m.	700 000	1 380 119	1 390 060	p.m.	700 000	1 380 119	1 045 030

Remarks:

With the deterioration of press and media freedom in EU Member States and candidate countries showing a worrying trend, this pan-European rapid response mechanism on violations of media freedom should provide tangible protection to journalists including fact-finding, advocacy, monitoring, informing the European public and awareness-raising.

The right to freedom of expression needs strong defence to protect democracy, strengthen public discourse and guarantee an enabling environment for investigative and independent journalists. Hence, it is crucial to set up a pan-European response mechanism on violations of press and media freedom.

This mechanism will make violations visible and provide practical help to journalists under threat, in collaboration with European, regional and local stakeholders in the field of media freedom. The Practical help must encompass tools to protect journalists under threat: providing direct advice and legal support as well as offering shelter and assistance so they can continue their profession. Delegates will be sent to countries affected and advocacy will support fighting impunity. Monitoring of the situation provides reliable and comprehensive information for the public as well as European authorities. This promotes awareness-raising and allows early warnings. Instruments will be adjusted according to individual needs on a case-by-case basis. This unique toolkit contained in the rapid response mechanism will prevent further violations and will improve press and media freedom.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item 09 02 77 10 — Preparatory action — Cross-border investigative journalism fund

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	750 000	p.m.	750 000	1 500 000	1 500 000	p.m.	750 000	1 500 000	1 125 000

Item 09 02 77 13 — Pilot project — EU grants for small-scale online media: supporting high-quality news products and tackling fake news

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 200 000	1 100 000			2 200 000	550 000

Remarks:

The pilot project will provide dedicated EU grants for small-scale online media wishing to develop fact-checking capabilities, fact-checkers and academics for the development and dissemination of innovative solutions, including fostering collaboration between fact-checking organisations, media and universities. The support provided will not affect the independence of the organisations which receive it.

The project will support Commission efforts in tackling online disinformation and in promoting media innovation in the wider context of the Digital Single Market. It will facilitate and complement the objectives and actions provided for in the communication on 'Tackling online disinformation: a European Approach' and in the action plan on disinformation. In particular, the project will facilitate the creation of national multidisciplinary teams, to be made up of media practitioners, fact-checkers and academic researchers. This will complement the Connecting Europe Facility programme, which provides infrastructure (European Platform on Disinformation) to foster cooperation at European level between national multidisciplinary teams.

The project will also complement Commission support for the development of a code of practice. This includes enabling fact-checkers and academics, while maintaining their independence, to develop traceability, accountability and reliable indicators for source transparency, and to continuously monitor the scale, techniques, tools, nature and impact of disinformation. Moreover, the project will support the development and testing of emerging technologies, including artificial intelligence to identify disinformation and technologies enabling customisable online experience, which could provide users with tools to identify and report disinformation.

The actions supported by the project will build on the preparatory action on Media Literacy for All by complementing it and by focusing not on citizens but on media actors. The project will support Commission initiatives to promote media freedom and pluralism and quality news media and journalism.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 02 77 14 — Pilot project — Integrity of social media

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				900 000	450 000			900 000	225 000

Remarks:

Social media have revolutionised economies and societies. After only 15 years, the benefits of long-distance communication at close to zero costs are being enjoyed and a number of new business opportunities have emerged in many sectors, ranging from advertising and marketing to social sciences.

Over the last few years, the challenges that have also been posed have had to be dealt with: privacy concerns, an imbalance between digital and non-digital aspects of life, a lack of understanding of how social media work, dissemination of illegal or hateful content and, lastly, manipulation of citizen perception.

Manipulation of citizen perception has been the subject of a number of academic studies, which have shown that tinkering with a social media newsfeed can affect and influence the mood, choices and reactions of individuals. This was brought to light even more after the 2016 revelation that Cambridge Analytica used data collected from Facebook accounts to attempt to manipulate voters in the US elections and the Brexit referendum.

This pilot project will build on the work carried out by the Commission's Platform Observatory and fake-news initiatives and the European Science and Media Hub of the European Parliament. It will monitor, identify, study and eventually tackle attempts to manipulate user perception.

This work will focus on negative messages and how to tackle them and could also develop a pan-European certification scheme for anti-hoax initiatives, which could facilitate the Commission's efforts, as there are a number of fact-checker/anti-hoax websites operating across the EU but their reliability could sometimes be questioned. A checklist leading to certification could be a cost-effective solution for the EU and Member State authorities.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 02 77 15 — Pilot project — Smart urban mobility involving autonomous vehicles

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

For the medium and long term, cities across the European Union should implement on a large scale the concept of autonomous/driverless electric cars, helping them to promote a better and green urban mobility policy for their citizens, tourists, other relevant stakeholders and the environment. This pilot project will involve a set of integrated actions in at least 10 cities (pilot cities), of various sizes, in different EU Member States, including congested urban centres and key neighbourhoods, tourist destinations, including fortresses, thematic amusement parks and resorts, airports, educational campuses, large hospitals, etc. The project will ensure a sound geographical balance between cities which are spread over EU countries (north, south, east, west, centre), between wealthier and poorer cities, and between more significant or small to medium-sized cities. Drawing on strong political will and on competent

administrative and technical capacity, action will be taken to test autonomous vehicles and customise a future initiative that turns the pilot phase into a communitarian one.

The project will combine, in an integrated manner, the acquisition of small shuttle driverless electric buses with a capacity of 15 people, including access for people with disabilities, which offer more, efficient and smart mobility for pilot cities and private sites.

The shuttles will draw on data from LIDAR sensors, cameras, GPS facilities, real-time kinetic positioning sources, IMU sensors and odometry, which will be merged and interpreted by in-depth learning programmes, using artificial intelligence and high-speed connectivity.

Acquisition will be complemented by intensive educational campaigns promoted through social media channels in city halls, schools, universities, tourist information centres, housing associations, unions etc. The goal is to develop a robust urban mentality that is geared to using this alternative transport model, enhance the importance of green mobility alternatives in the European urban environment, and visibly promote the Commission's financial support too. At the end of the project, a lessons-learnt guide will be produced and delivered publicly in all the official languages of the EU. It will be disseminated via relevant official channels (e.g. association of municipalities in every EU Member State, relevant umbrella networks for local government, tourist destinations, and transport unions. Public events (e.g. press conferences) and practical demonstrations will be held at the European Parliament, the Committee of the Regions and the Commission and in every pilot city.

The shuttles will be fitted with smart facilities (e.g. digital displays) providing relevant information about journeys, destinations, carbon footprint and educational messages about the importance of living in a green urban environment; they will measure air quality in real time, using sensors, and communicate arrivals/departures at stations, using audio and digital displayed messages; they will provide passengers with free wi-fi. During the pilot project, use of shuttles will be free of charge. The operational costs necessary for optimum functioning will be covered by the projects and warranties offered by the company winning a public tender for delivering the shuttles.

Another fundamental argument is that, by delivering tangible results, this kind of pilot project will create a scalable model usable for different cities across the EU, with different and specific mobility needs. Its results will help municipalities and other relevant stakeholders (including private operators) to prepare their future mobility projects that could be funded by the Commission and national governments during the next allocation period (2021–2024) through regional operational programmes and other programmes supporting EU cohesion policy. They will become more aware of costs, safety and security requirements, logistics, maintenance costs, and affordability considerations. Cities could adapt and adopt new local decisions/policies for smart urban mobility, enhancing the importance of using integrated urban alternative modes, with mobility as a service facility and fleets of efficiently used green vehicles that are adapted in a proper urban environment.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 02 77 16 — Pilot project — Media ownership monitor

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

Digital technology has lowered the entry cost to mass media and opened up a tightly regulated market to a whole range of new players. As, however, the business model of traditional media is disintegrating in the process, a trend towards concentration of ownership can be observed. While the Internet remains a technological tool for accessing an unlimited variety of offerings, market failures, regulatory shortcomings and the nature of algorithmic news distribution lead to significant limitations of media pluralism, which is an important precondition for the freedom of information and expression.

Transparency of media ownership is therefore considered a key prerequisite for safeguarding those freedoms. It elevates the general public’s level of media literacy and enables meaningful concentration control and regulatory action.

The pilot project will:

Create publicly available, searchable databases for up to six European countries in the respective relevant languages to provide profiles of the most relevant media outlets that shape public opinion, as well as of the corporate entities and individuals behind them. The methodology selecting the sample, and for data research, analysis and presentation, will be based on an existing methodology that is well documented, has already been tested and implemented elsewhere in the world and can thus be considered a widely accepted and legitimate instrument in this field;

Feature a narrative part to accompany the database and contextualise the county-specific environment in which media operate, including a detailed legal assessment based on a widely applied template to allow for comparative global analysis;

Include the measurement, computation and publication of up to 10 indicators of risks to media pluralism in the legal, economic and technical domains, based on a reliable and tested methodology that builds on the existing work of the Media Pluralism Monitor in this field;

Publish and promote findings and the use thereof by means of the online resource itself, but also through supporting actions, such as launch events and press conferences.

This pilot project will run for two years.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 02 77 17 — Preparatory action — Media councils in the digital age

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				500 000	250 000			500 000	125 000

Remarks:

The pilot project supporting media councils in the digital age so as to enhance trust in media and address disinformation issues has been turned into a preparatory action, given its crucial importance and benefits. This will enable these independent self-regulation mechanisms to be sustainable, which is a precondition for their success. In order to protect media freedom and pluralism and to promote professionalism as regards journalistic content, the preparatory action will bring about a better understanding of the consequences and challenges of digital developments through a press council forum and, in parallel, support the transition of media self-regulatory bodies into the online world, and engage them in discussions with Internet intermediaries and Internet media stakeholders. Activities:

Conducting a survey with a view to an in-depth examination of the state of and models for media self-regulation in the digital environment and to creating clarity as to how to achieve, in a converged media environment, the traditional goals of media regulation (i.e. a pluralistic and diverse media landscape in which the media benefit from independence from political, commercial and other influences and are accountable to the public);

Developing the first online database on the current functioning of media self-regulatory bodies and promoting the work of press councils in Europe;

Developing a pan-EU working group on the digital challenges so as to apply the recommendations emerging from the survey;

Providing direct support to newly established press councils in Europe;

Including press/media councils in a global dialogue on media ethics in the digital age (participation at global internet conferences, etc.);

Organising regular meetings with Internet intermediaries with the aim of achieving online recognition of media content already under the supervision of a press council.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 09 03 03 — Promoting interoperability, sustainable deployment, operation and upgrading of trans-European digital service infrastructures, as well as coordination at European level

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
126 106 990	74 179 000	102 606 990	74 179 000	126 106 990	74 179 000	126 106 990	74 179 000	126 106 990	74 179 000

Article 09 03 04 — WiFi4EU — Support the deployment of free local Wi-Fi

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
24 298 355	49 838 000	19 798 355	49 838 000	24 298 355	49 838 000	24 298 355	49 838 000	24 298 355	49 838 000

Article 09 03 77 — Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 850 000	1 425 000			2 850 000	712 500

Item 09 03 77 02 — Pilot project — Developing artificial intelligence (AI) for diagnosis and treatment of paediatric cancer

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

Paediatric cancers are a collection of diverse rare diseases that together represent individually life-threatening diseases and collectively a major public health issue. With 35 000 new cases and more than 6 000 children and young people dying each year in Europe, paediatric cancer remains the leading cause of death from disease for children and adolescents. Moreover, there are more than 300 000 European childhood cancer survivors (nearly half a million by 2020). Two thirds of survivors live with the long-term treatment-related side effects that can be severe and impact on the daily life of half of those affected.

The effective implementation of machine-learning and AI technologies can bring solutions for many societal challenges, including improved diagnostic and treatment pathways. Integrated healthcare and research data platforms that collate information on clinical phenotypes, diagnostic tests (including pathology, genomics and radiological imaging), treatment interventions and clinical outcomes will be powerful tools for early and accurate diagnoses, enable precision in stratification of patient cohorts according to therapeutic needs, and facilitate development of new therapeutic innovation.

The particularity of paediatric cancers being rare diseases necessitates a collaborative approach to collate and integrate the data collected in all Member States, including best practices and new technologies in order to further develop common solutions. The use of big data for better insights into cancer genesis, outcomes and the long-term side effects of treatments is currently underdeveloped. AI and machine learning are future tools to digest complex data sets and foster precision cancer medicine for all young people in Europe.

Further advances in the diagnosis and treatment of paediatric oncology will require multinational, multidisciplinary integrated healthcare and research data platforms allowing real-world data simulations of machine-learning algorithms and AI that can be exploited in data-driven clinical decision support applications directly benefiting patients.

The proposed project should support research in Artificial intelligence technologies with precise application for diagnosis and treatment of paediatric cancers.

The pilot project will follow a two-stage approach:

1. Development of multinational approaches to facilitate capture of data from multiple sources. Building on existing multidisciplinary platforms/datasets, developing integrated healthcare and research data platforms that collate clinical data, including, for example, clinical history, relevant diagnostic tests (pathology, genomics, radiological imaging), treatment interventions and clinical outcomes for childhood cancers, connecting all relevant stakeholders from paediatric oncology and technology developers.
2. Development of applications using AI technologies to improve disease diagnosis, management, and the development of effective therapies: utilising integrated healthcare and research data platforms to develop clinically relevant machine-learning and AI technology applications. The pilot project may focus on one or more applications, including in connection with radiological imaging, digital pathology, integrated genotyping and outcome prediction algorithms and clinical decision making.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 03 77 03 — Preparatory action — Smart local administration drawing on the Internet of Things, artificial intelligence, virtual reality and machine learning tools to get closer to the citizen

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

The Centre for Innovation and Civic Imagination (CICI) is an instrument for social innovation, communication, research and promotion, as well as a forum for discussion and information for citizens, the public and experts in various fields. The CICI also aims to become a permanent laboratory in which to develop and test different forms of collaboration between city actors in order to support participatory practice and promote discussions on urban innovation projects. It manages analysis processes, develops

pilot projects for the community and seeks to solve the city's pressing problems and plan future projects, and identify complementary functions in relation to the current dynamics of the city. One of the particularities of the CICI is its effective organisation of open meetings and innovation methodologies recommended by the Commission, using the concept of the quadruple helix (addressing themes for analysis with the participation of experts in public administration location, academics, the business environment and the NGO sector), or even the quintuple helix model, by involving the citizen - a direct beneficiary of measures aimed at increasing the quality of life in the city. The CICI coordinates and guides complex networks of participatory governance.

The strong points of this preparatory action are that it will emphasise the proactivity of citizens vis-à-vis local government and stress the importance of their participation in the decision-making process.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 03 77 04 — Preparatory action — Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Big Data (BD) in the digital transformation of public administrations in Europe: an EU platform of regions

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				850 000	425 000			850 000	212 500

Remarks:

The preparatory action will establish a European platform of regions on AI and BD so as to enhance public administration efficiency and user-centred services. The rapid integration of digital technologies poses a number of challenges for national, regional and local governments. An important aspect of this transformation concerns the expectations of citizens and businesses about their interaction with governments. This requires the digital transformation of governments to rise to the challenge.

Public administrations need to change the way they work and organise themselves. They have to ensure the skills needed to use new digital tools; they need to work collaboratively and engage with citizens and businesses.

The EU vision is to make public administration (PA) open, interoperable, efficient, inclusive, borderless and user-friendly by providing a new digital environment for public services. With the eGovernment Action Plan and Connectivity for a Competitive Digital Single Market – Towards a European Gigabit society, the Commission considers that digital transformation of PA is key for a successful Digital Single Market.

The EU common effort includes a consistent legal basis, policies and financing programmes for digital interoperability and innovative solutions for public administrations.

However, there is a need for an EU tool to support a platform of regions able to address digital transformation of PA across Europe.

AI and BD are driving a new social and economic paradigm in Europe and beyond. Regions need to be part of the process as the closest level of government to citizens.

Use of AI and BD by public administrations has increased, demonstrating great potential in a broad range of sectors - from mobility to environmental monitoring and geophysical simulations, from smart power grids to personalised healthcare. A platform of European regions will contribute to exchanging and developing common responses and solutions. European regions can provide significant input into making PA systems more efficient and capable of generating public value and delivering better public services.

A move towards a European platform of regions for digital transformation has already started, proving that regional engagement represents added value for the digital single market objectives to modernise PA and reduce the digital divide. To that end, two European high-level seminars have been organised in Brussels, on digital transformation of PA, with the participation of European regions, businesses and the Commission - DG DIGIT, DG CONNECT, DG ECOFIN and the Secretary-General. The meetings have been promoted by the Regional Government of Emilia-Romagna, with the involvement of Hessen, Catalonia, Flanders, Wallonia, Ile-de-France, Nouvelle-Aquitaine and Trondheim and, from the business side, IT and AI providers. Emilia-Romagna hosts the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts, has been selected to be a European HPC Supercomputing Centre and is establishing an international foundation on BD and AI for human development.

Objectives and activities

The digital transformation Platform of European Regions will:

- share knowledge on European, national and regional legislation and regulatory frameworks so as to enhance the use of AI and BD;
- share models to enhance strategic drivers towards digitalisation, in particular infrastructures, data and services, digital skills and communities;
- improve sharing of data sets and knowledge on AI and BD applications for public services;
- enhance the AI and BD skills and capabilities of civil servants;
- develop and share new ways of working, including smart working.

Specifically, the preparatory action will focus on the following activities:

- establishment of the platform of regions for AI and BD, connecting regional governments, ICT agencies, suppliers and enterprises;
- development of pilot testing arrangements in connection with the cultural transformation stemming from the digital workplace and smart working;
- two European hackathons on the use of shared data, standards and interoperability for public administrations;
- two seminars for the co-creation of user-centred public services based on AI and BD;
- peer learning for managers in connection with AI and BD.

The platform will involve a dozen European regions from different Member States.

The preparatory action will complement the ISA2 programme. Specifically, the Join Up platform can contribute to the action.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 04 01 01 — Strengthening research in future and emerging technologies

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
446 952 871	466 500 000	442 952 871	466 500 000	461 952 871	474 000 000	446 952 871	466 500 000	453 036 200	468 325 000

Item 09 04 01 02 — Strengthening European research infrastructure, including e-infrastructure

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
73 582 043	76 500 000	65 582 043	76 500 000	73 582 043	76 500 000	73 582 043	76 500 000	73 582 043	76 500 000

Item 09 04 02 01 — Leadership in information and communications technology

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
877 375 691	711 700 000	831 375 691	711 700 000	917 375 691	731 700 000	877 375 691	711 700 000	893 597 902	716 567 000

Remarks:

The specific objective is to maintain and build global leadership in enabling technologies, which underpin competitiveness across a range of existing and emerging industries and sectors. In line with the digital single market, the specific objective of ICT research and innovation is to enable Europe to develop and exploit the opportunities brought by ICT progress for the benefits of its citizens, businesses and scientific communities.

ICT underpins innovation and competitiveness across a broad range of private and public markets and sectors, and enables scientific progress in all disciplines. Over the next decade, the transformative impact of digital technologies, ICT components, infrastructures and services will be increasingly visible in all areas of life.

Activities will strengthen the Union's scientific and technology base and insure its global leadership in ICTs, help drive and stimulate innovation through ICT use and ensure that ICT progress is rapidly transformed into benefits for Europe's citizens, businesses, industry and governments. The activities under the 'Leadership in information and communications technology' specific objective will be primarily based on research and innovation agendas defined by industry and business, together with the research community and will have a strong focus on leveraging private sector investment.

Activities cover collaboration, networking actions and national programme coordination initiatives. Also entered in this item are the costs of independent experts assisting in proposal evaluations and project reviews, the costs of events, meetings, conferences, workshops and seminars of European interest organised by the Commission, the costs of studies, analyses and evaluations, the costs of monitoring and evaluation of the specific programme and of the framework programmes and the costs of measures to monitor and disseminate the results of the programmes, including measures under previous framework programmes.

Revenues and repayment from financial instruments, paid back to the Commission and entered in Item 6 4 1 0 and 6 4 1 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations in accordance with Article 21(5) of the Financial Regulation.

This could cover further research work in the field of developing European internet search engines.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965), and in particular point (a)(i) of Article 3(2) thereof.

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European

Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 09 04 03 01 — Improving lifelong health and well-being

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
179 751 775	147 200 000	164 001 775	147 200 000	199 751 775	157 200 000	179 751 775	147 200 000	187 862 880	149 633 000

Remarks:

The vision of the eHealth action plan 2012-2020 is to utilise and develop e-health to address several of the most pressing health and health systems challenges of the first half of the twenty-first century, namely:

- to improve chronic disease and multi-morbidity (multiple concurrent disease) management and to strengthen effective prevention and health promotion practices,
- to increase the sustainability and efficiency of health systems by unlocking innovation, enhancing patient-/citizen-centric care and citizen empowerment and encouraging organisational changes,
- to foster cross-border healthcare, health security, solidarity, universality and equity,
- to improve legal and market conditions for developing e-Health products and services.

ICT-based products and services have demonstrated their capacity to help address these major challenges in the form of personalised health, telehealth and telecare solutions, service robotics for health and care, support for prolonged active and independent living and home-based care. It is also a major new growth opportunity as large new markets for ICT-based products and services emerge to address health, demographic change and well-being.

Activities will cover development and exploitation of ICT for health, well-being and ‘ageing well’ solutions. This will build on the emergence of underpinning technologies arising out of ICT in LEIT such as micro-nano systems, embedded systems, robotics, internet of the future and cloud technologies. It will also build on further development of security- and privacy-enhancing technologies.

The ambient assisted living research and development joint programme will also be supported to contribute to market availability and exploitation of ICT-based products and services and the ICT innovation and pilot projects will be further supported in response to the European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing and the eHealth 2020 action plan.

Activities will cover collaboration, networking actions and national programme coordination initiatives. Also entered in this item are the costs of independent experts assisting in proposal evaluations and project reviews, the costs of events, meetings, conferences, workshops and seminars of European interest organised by the Commission, the costs of studies, analyses and evaluations, the costs of monitoring and evaluation of the specific programme and of the framework programmes and the costs of measures to monitor and disseminate the results of the programmes, including measures under previous framework programmes.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965), and in particular point (a) of Article 3(3) thereof.

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 09 04 03 02 — Fostering inclusive, innovative and reflective European societies

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
53 632 314	47 700 000	48 382 314	46 700 000	53 632 314	47 700 000	53 632 314	47 700 000	54 632 314	48 000 000

Remarks:

The specific objective is to foster inclusive, innovative and reflective European societies in a context of unprecedented transformations and growing global interdependencies.

Activities will cover four main areas: ICT-enabled public sector innovation, understanding and preserving Europe’s intellectual basis and cultural heritage, learning and inclusion.

ICT-enabled public sector innovation refers to the use of ICT for the creation and implementation of new processes, products, services and methods of delivery which result in significant improvements in the efficiency, effectiveness and quality of public services. The future public administrations should be digital and cross-border by default. Activities will cover fostering efficient, open and citizen-centric public services, involving the public sector as an agent for innovation and change as well as cross-border innovation measures or seamless delivery of public services.

The aim of the second challenge is ‘to contribute to an understanding of Europe’s intellectual basis and cultural heritage: its history and the many European and non-European influences; as an inspiration for our lives today’, as well as to facilitate the access and exploitation of this cultural heritage, including towards the future European Cultural Heritage Cloud.

The aim of the third challenge is to support the widespread adoption of ICT in schools and for training in Europe.

The fourth challenge is to get the elderly (aged 65 and above), the unemployed and low-educated persons, migrants, people in need of care, people living in remote or poorer areas, persons with disabilities, and the homeless people to fully participate in society. Activities will focus on empowering them with the necessary digital skills and providing them with access to digital technologies. Activities aiming at fostering a better consideration for inclusiveness and responsibility aspects in ICT-related innovations will also be supported.

Activities will cover collaboration, networking actions and national programme coordination initiatives. Also entered in this item are the costs of independent experts assisting in project reviews, the costs of events, meetings, conferences, workshops and seminars of European interest organised by the Commission, the costs of studies, analyses and evaluations, the costs of monitoring and evaluation of the specific programme and of the framework programmes and the costs of measures to monitor and disseminate the results of the programmes, including measures under previous framework programmes.

Part of the support of the Union to the COST intergovernmental framework for transnational cooperation among researchers, engineers and scholars across Europe will also be covered from this appropriation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing

Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965), and in particular point (f) of Article 3(3) thereof.

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 09 04 03 03 — Fostering secure European societies

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
78 153 053	55 400 000	58 403 053	55 400 000	78 153 053	55 400 000	78 153 053	55 400 000	68 153 053	52 400 000

Remarks:

The specific objective is to foster secure societies, contributing to the protection of freedom and security of the Union and its citizens.

The integrated portfolio of activities will develop solutions to protect our society and economy against accidental or man-made disruptions of the information and communication technologies our society and economy depends on; providing solutions for end-to-end secure ICT systems, services and applications; safeguarding the human right of privacy in the digital society; providing the incentives for the industry to supply secure ICT; stimulating the uptake of secure ICT.

The aim is to ensure cyber security, trust and privacy in the digital single market, whilst at the same time improving the competitiveness of the Union's security, ICT and service industries. Another objective is to increase users' trust in their participation in the digital society and overcome citizens' concern with the disclosure of their personal information online because of security issues (e.g. internet usage for banking or purchases).

Activities will cover collaboration, networking actions and national programme coordination initiatives. Also entered in this item are the costs of independent experts assisting in project reviews, the costs of events, meetings, conferences, workshops and seminars of European interest organised by the Commission, the costs of studies, analyses and evaluations, the costs of monitoring and evaluation of the specific programme and of the framework programmes and the costs of measures to monitor and disseminate the results of the programmes, including measures under previous framework programmes.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965), and in particular point (g) of Article 3(3) thereof.

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Item 09 04 77 24 — Pilot project — Digital European platform of quality content providers

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	117 000	p.m.	117 000	390 000	312 000	p.m.	117 000	390 000	214 500

Item 09 04 77 26 — Pilot project — Developing and trialling an infrastructure for mechanisms to protect children’s rights in the online domain on the basis of the GDPR and other EU legislation relevant to children in the online domain

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 500 000	750 000			1 500 000	375 000

Remarks:

The pilot project will develop and trial:

- i. reliable online checks to identify and protect or block under-age children using sites or apps processing personal data, providing peer-to-peer or one-to-many communication services or providing goods and services that are potentially harmful to children;
- ii. reliable consent mechanisms for holders of parental responsibilities;
- iii. effective support mechanisms for children encountering difficult situations online;
- iv. a mechanism for defending children’s rights in the online domain;
- v. options for online access to EU content dedicated to children; and
- vi. mechanisms to involve children in the decision-making process for the infrastructure.

In carrying out the above tasks, the pilot project will involve relevant European and Member State stakeholders in the authentication and validation supply chain.

In particular, the Connecting Europe Facility supports the cross-border exchange of eID attributes so that they can be used to implement child protection mechanisms (e.g. age verification for access to online content based on the date of birth contained in the eID).

The project will be implemented over two years (2020-2021).

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 04 77 27 — Preparatory action — Art and the digital: Unleashing creativity for European industry, regions and society

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 800 000	900 000			1 800 000	450 000

Remarks:

Europe's capacity to compete in the global market will depend on its capacity to convert scientific and technological knowledge into innovative products and services; even more, the appeal of Europe will strongly depend on how its regions can conceive an inspiring, motivating and future-oriented environment for its citizens. The transformation of society by digital technologies is creating opportunities for Europe that a joint effort between the arts and technology could help fully exploit. In the digital world, Europe can stake a claim on leadership in ways of living and in those components of the digital revolution that most depend on creativity, i.e. broadly in 'content'. A committed partnership between arts and technology can make this claim a reality in areas as diverse as social inclusion, new digital media (augmented reality, new media such as social media, etc.), urban development (smart cities, Internet of Things, etc.) or the future of mobility.

Enhanced collaboration between art and technology would not only stimulate innovation and thereby enhance the competitiveness of Europe; it would also help unleash creativity in society and in European regions. Multiple presidency conclusions on 'crossovers from culture to businesses' have therefore invited the European institutions to consider enhancing collaboration between arts and technology for a holistic exploration of opportunities that overcomes the traditional boundaries of sectors, disciplines or the culture-engineering divide.

The Commission - DG CONNECT - has reacted by launching the STARTS programme - innovation at the nexus of science, technology and the arts. This is a highly pertinent step focused on promoting innovation in industry, with the arts as the catalyst for unconventional thinking and exploration. The Commission is fostering innovation rooted in such collaboration by introducing lighthouse projects that will put forward the crucial role of the arts in tackling challenges in the context of the digital single market.

This preparatory action will build on the work carried out by the pilot projects preceding it and explore how to best introduce the programme across the board and have STARTS ideas extended from pure industrial settings to, for instance, areas of regional and urban development where the digital also plays a prominent role. It will develop a coherent horizontal framework for 'art-technology' thinking in Europe across sectors and disciplines as well as across pertinent activities of European institutions (including framework programmes structural funds, education programmes, etc.).

The preparatory action will create a network of key players from the art world (art institutions and artists engaging with technology), digital media relying on the arts for media content, industry that considers art as a means for exploration of possible applications, and regions and cities willing to create infrastructure to host collaborations of artists and technologists as a seed for urban development. It will support artistic explorations of technology, e.g. by supporting technologies for performances and installations, and will stimulate the most promising pathways by seed-funding ideas for art-technology collaborations. It will in particular foster practical mechanisms that help turn ideas emerging from such collaborative explorations into tangible assets for European society and industry.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 04 77 28 — Pilot project — Art and the digital: unleashing creativity for European water management

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

Sustainable water management is essential for Europe, given a global trend of ever-higher water consumption. Water scarcity and the role of water in a broader context of preservation of natural habitats must be tackled through methods for water reuse, reduction of waste and measures to conserve natural water habitats. The capacity of European regions to tackle the issue of water scarcity beyond resource efficiency is an important issue to address. It will in particular be important to enable multi-stakeholder governance of these scarce resources and to increase awareness of the fact that water is a valuable resource.

Opening up the traditional water sector to new technologies, in particular digital technologies, will help introduce efficiency and productivity in water management but will also help raise awareness of the

problems and position of sustainable water management in a broader context of sustainability and preservation. For example, data from sensors and robotics can help cope with water waste, virtual reality can introduce scenarios for future use of water resources, augmented reality can help evaluate different policies and help citizens better understand and react to water problems, etc. An important aspect of the management of natural resources is community involvement (e.g. community-based measurements of pollution levels or water shortage), where digital can play an important role.

Action must be taken to speak to the heart of innovators and to stimulate their minds to come up with creative solutions. The contention is that in this context new opportunities arise for joint efforts between digital technologies and artistic practices. Performance artworks and virtual or augmented reality can jointly address the need to raise awareness. Artists can come up with novel uses of digital technologies, such as artificial intelligence, to help address water sustainability in new and unforeseen ways. Links between digital and traditional crafts (such as, for example, boat building) can give rise to new forms of alliances for conserving water habitats by, for instance, linking cultural and ecological aspects for tourism.

The project will explore links between art and digital for water management in given regional contexts and will mobilise the technological and cultural resources of European regions to help tackle the imminent challenge of water management.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 04 77 29 — Pilot project — Inclusive web accessibility for persons with cognitive disabilities (web inclusiveness: access for all)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				900 000	450 000			900 000	225 000

Remarks:

This pilot project will support actions in the area of independent and inclusive access to online content and services for people with cognitive disabilities. Building on the work of the W3C's Web Accessibility Initiative, under this project two specific actions will be taken. First, it will seek to create an overview of existing research/studies and identify gaps in web accessibility requirements for cognitive disabilities. The overview will then serve as guidance on practical measures to further accessibility. Second, it will seek to propose/promote tools drawing on artificial intelligence, machine learning or similar solutions to automate the transformation and/or adaptation of web content and services in a way that enables persons with cognitive disabilities to understand and use such content and services (content absorption). Equally, it will seek to propose the simplification or adaptation of web-authoring tools that persons with cognitive disabilities could use to create online content (content creation). The project may be implemented on the basis of a tender for the first action and a public grant for the second action(s); it may be implemented in a way that complements existing projects, but overlaps should be prevented.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Chapter 09 05 — Creative Europe

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
136 655 000	124 223 900	133 427 000	124 223 900	157 583 900	134 688 350	136 655 000	124 223 900	150 955 000	131 298 900

Article 09 05 01 — MEDIA Sub-programme — Operating transnationally and internationally and promoting transnational circulation and mobility

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
115 923 000	99 200 000	114 695 000	99 200 000	127 515 300	104 996 150	115 923 000	99 200 000	120 923 000	103 200 000

Article 09 05 05 — Multimedia actions

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
20 732 000	22 000 000	18 732 000	22 000 000	21 768 600	22 518 300	20 732 000	22 000 000	21 732 000	23 000 000

Item 09 05 77 05 — Preparatory action — Subtitling European cultural television content throughout Europe

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	975 000	p.m.	975 000	p.m.	975 000	p.m.	975 000	p.m.	975 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the preparatory action.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item 09 05 77 06 — Preparatory action — Media literacy for all

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	500 000	p.m.	500 000	500 000	750 000	p.m.	500 000	500 000	625 000

Item 09 05 77 08 — Preparatory action — Cinemas as innovation hubs for local communities

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	1 500 000	750 000	p.m.	p.m.	1 500 000	375 000

Item 09 05 77 10 — Pilot project — Supporting investigative journalism and media freedom in the EU

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	637 500	p.m.	637 500	1 000 000	1 137 500	p.m.	637 500	1 000 000	887 500

Item 09 05 77 11 — Pilot project — A European public sphere: a new online media offer for young Europeans

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 500 000	1 250 000			2 500 000	625 000

Remarks:

The project will address the failure to communicate Europe to younger generations of Europeans that is the result of a lack of a truly transnational public sphere for media, the fact that traditional media no longer attract young Europeans in the same way as the internet does and the fact that national media do not cover pan-European topics positively or in a way which unites people. Therefore, the project will more effectively portray the sense of togetherness which is at the heart of European identity and which is reflected in a common culture, similar lifestyles and shared values.

The younger generations of Europeans consume information and entertainment primarily online using new social media and content-sharing platforms. Therefore, it must be made clear that young Europeans get their information online. In order to enter into a dialogue about Europe via relevant themes and topics, attract younger European citizens to European ideas and values and empower truly European citizens through current and future information and dialogue platforms, the pilot project will take a radically new approach to providing news and information to young people.

The pilot project will be based on new concepts of editorial thinking, a new multiplatform strategy and a highly innovative and flexible technical infrastructure that allows fast adaptation, translation and conversion of content in many languages and formats across Europe, creating a highly innovative, digital product that intentionally stands out from traditional media.

The project is targeted at Europeans aged between 18 and 34 , i.e. at a time of life when many young people are developing their political views and laying the foundations for their professional and private lives. The focus is on informative, thought-provoking, entertaining and emotive content. All content will be bundled on one specific online service. Furthermore, it will be made accessible on all kinds of social media as well as other online gateways through which the target group can be reached.

The content will deal with topics that are of current interest for young Europeans in the EU and will be put into context in order to make it compelling and appealing to the target group. The European perspective will be created by comparing and contrasting regional experiences and points of view on matters of pan-European importance. Young Europeans share an interest in issues such as work, education, equality, love, culture and music. Nevertheless, there are significant differences between countries and between urban and rural areas. The aim is to address relevant topics of pan-European importance and at the same time provide a forum for local perspectives, allowing young users to identify strongly with the content.

Controversial opinions will provide an impetus for debate. On political issues, a personal approach makes it easier to understand the effects of institutional decisions. In this context, well-known influencers and local personalities from social networks will have their say in addition to actors from the political sphere in order to bridge the gap between European affairs and the everyday reality of users' lives.

This ambitious pan-European and multilingual project will launch offline and online an open, true, deep and constructive debate about recent and future life in Europe among young Europeans, using innovative formats on digital platforms, with the ultimate goal of creating greater awareness about European visions and realities and enhancing Europeans' commitment to European values and ideas so that they subsequently contribute to a more active civil society.

The project will build on a strong partnership of independent and innovative media across Europe, including the start-up and creative sector. The project will also benefit from substantial investment in research and innovation, e.g. in automated translation in the media sector.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the

general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 05 77 12 — Pilot project — Developing a strategic research, innovation and implementation agenda and a roadmap for achieving full digital language equality in Europe by 2030

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 800 000	900 000			1 800 000	450 000

Remarks:

The EU has 24 official Member State languages. In addition, there are unofficial regional languages as well as minority languages and languages used by immigrants and important trading partners. Several studies have found a striking imbalance in terms of digital language technologies. Very few languages, such as English, French and Spanish, are well supported technologically, while more than 20 languages are in danger of digital extinction. The recent study ‘Language equality in the digital age’, commissioned by the European Parliament’s Science and Technology Options Assessment (STOA) panel, made 11 general recommendations on how to address this growing threat. It was followed up by a European Parliament resolution of 11 September 2018 on language equality in the digital age (on the basis of a joint CULT/ITRE report), making 45 general recommendations, several of which follow the STOA study.

Technology-enabled multilingualism is missing one crucial and mission-critical piece – a strategic research and implementation agenda. This pilot project will develop an agenda and a roadmap for achieving full digital language equality in Europe by 2030. In close collaboration with the European institutions, the project will bring together all stakeholders (including industry, research and innovation communities, national innovation organisations, national and international public administrations and associations), initiate a structured dialogue and public consultations, organise brainstorming sessions and conferences throughout Europe, and pull together all initiatives that are currently isolated and fragmented in order to produce a sustainable and interwoven strategy for human language technologies in Europe in all relevant sectors and areas of life, including trade, education, health, tourism, culture and governance. This will also extend to an investigation into the impact of artificial intelligence technologies on the linguistic landscape in Europe, including the ever-increasing brain drain of young talent to other continents.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 09 05 77 13 — Pilot project — Support for increased cooperation between industry, nongovernmental organisations (NGOs) and Member State authorities for the swift removal of child sexual abuse material online

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

The pilot project involves proposing that grants be provided by the Commission to one or more NGOs in order to support initiatives for the swift removal of child sexual abuse material on the internet. It is important to help organisations already working proactively to build platforms and umbrella organisations so as to cooperate across all Member States. If stakeholders receive more funds, they will be able to cooperate more effectively to prevent the dissemination of such material. The pilot project will support

cooperation between actors in the provision of training for staff, development of digital resources and exchange of information to detect and remove potential harmful material. As communication in this area needs to be safe and quick, such solutions should also be supported.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 10 01 05 14 — Other expenditure for new major research infrastructures — Euratom programme

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
20 018 830	18 518 830	20 018 830	20 018 830	20 018 830

Article 10 03 01 — Euratom activities of direct research

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
13 701 830	12 000 000	12 101 830	11 500 000	13 701 830	12 000 000	13 701 830	12 000 000	12 901 830	11 600 000

Article 11 01 01 — Expenditure relating to officials and temporary staff in the 'Maritime affairs and fisheries' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
31 780 543	31 554 737	31 780 543	31 780 543	31 434 097

Item 11 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 396 761	2 312 386	2 396 761	2 396 761	2 396 761

Article 11 01 03 — Expenditure relating to information and communication technology equipment and services of the 'Maritime affairs and fisheries' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 084 729	1 926 664	2 084 729	2 084 729	2 084 729

Article 11 03 01 — Establishing a governance framework for fishing activities carried out by Union fishing vessels in third country waters

	Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
11 03 01	57 856 978	57 931 978	57 856 978	57 931 978	57 856 978	57 931 978	74 756 978	72 831 978	74 756 978	72 831 978
Reserve	84 743 000	79 200 000	80 743 000	79 200 000	84 743 000	79 200 000	67 843 000	64 300 000	67 843 000	64 300 000
Total	142 599 978	137 131 978	138 599 978	137 131 978	142 599 978	137 131 978	142 599 978	137 131 978	142 599 978	137 131 978

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure arising from the fisheries agreements which the Union has negotiated or intends to renew or renegotiate with third countries.

In addition, the Union may negotiate new fisheries partnership agreements which would need to be financed under this article.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the Common Fisheries Policy, amending Council Regulations (EC) No 1954/2003 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2371/2002 and (EC) No 639/2004 and Council Decision 2004/585/EC (OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 22), and in particular Article 31 thereof.

Regulation (EU) No 508/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulations (EC) No 2328/2003, (EC) No 861/2006, (EC) No 1198/2006 and (EC) No 791/2007 and Regulation (EU) No 1255/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 149, 20.5.2014, p. 1).

Regulations and Decisions concerning the conclusion of agreements and/or protocols adopted with regard to fisheries between the Union/Community and the governments of the following countries:

Status (as of October 2019)	Country	Legal basis	Date	Official Journal	Duration
Agreements and/or Protocols in provisional application or in force (and financial compensation due in 2020 entered in Article 11 03 01)	Cape Verde	Decision (EU) 2019/951	17 May 2019	L 154, 12.6.2019	20.5.2019 to 19.5.2024
	Côte d'Ivoire	Decision (EU) 2019/385	4 March 2019	L 70, 12.3.2019	1.8.2018 to 31.12.2024
	Gambia	Decision (EU) 2019/1332	25 June 2019	L 208, 8.8.2019	31.7.2019 to 30.7.2025
	Greenland	Decision (EU) 2016/817	17 May 2016	L 136, 25.5.2016	1.1.2016 to 31.12.2020
	Guinea-Bissau	Decision (EU) 2019/1088	6 June 2019	L 173, 27.6.2019	15.6.2019 to 14.6.2024
	Mauritius	Decision (EU) 2018/754	14 May 2018	L 128, 24.5.2018	8.12.2017 to 7.12.2021
	Morocco	Decision (EU) 2019/441	4 March 2019	L 77, 20.3.2019	18.7.2019 to 17.7.2023
Agreements and/or Protocols to be renegotiated, already under negotiation or with legislative procedure under way (financial compensation entered in Article 40 02 41)	Cook Islands	Decision (EU) 2017/418	28 February 2017	L 64, 10.3.2017	14.10.2016 to 13.10.2020
	Gabon	Decision 2014/232/EU	14 April 2014	L 125, 26.4.2014	Expired
	Ghana (*)	-	-	-	-
	Kiribati	Decision 2014/60/EU	28 January 2014	L 38, 7.2.2014	Expired
	Liberia	Decision (EU) 2016/1062	24 May 2016	L 177, 1.7.2016	9.12.2015 to 8.12.2020
	Madagascar	Decision (EU) 2015/1893	5 October 2015	L 277, 22.10.2015	Expired
	Mauritania	Decision (EU) 2016/870	24 May 2016	L 145, 2.6.2016	16.11.2015 to 15.11.2019
	Mozambique	Decision 2012/306/EU	12 June 2012	L 153, 14.6.2012	Expired
	São Tomé and Príncipe	Decision (EU) 2015/239	10 February 2015	L 40, 16.2.2015	Expired
	Senegal	Decision (EU) 2015/384	2 March 2015	L 65, 10.3.2015	20.10.2014 to 19.10.2019
Seychelles	Decision 2014/306/EU	13 May 2015	L 160, 29.5.2014	18.1.2014 to 17.1.2020	

(*) The Commission was authorised on 3 March 2017 to open negotiations on behalf of the European Union for the conclusion of a Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement and protocol with the Republic of Ghana.

Item 11 06 62 01 — Scientific advice and knowledge

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
10 817 000	8 300 000	10 817 000	8 300 000	11 817 000	8 800 000	10 817 000	8 300 000	10 817 000	8 300 000

Item 11 06 77 18 — Preparatory action — Charter of Good Practices for Cruises

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

Europe is a key market for the global cruise industry. In 2015 the global cruise industry carried 25.3 million passengers, accounting for 956 597 jobs and generating total spending of US\$ 117 billion worldwide. The demand for cruise travel increased by 62% in the 10 years from 2005 to 2015.

All of this translates into economic value and jobs for Europe. However, the coastal and maritime regions need to create conditions to better integrate the advantages of cruise tourism. With that in mind, the preparatory action will establish a Charter of Good Practices for Cruises on the basis of the existing pan-European dialogue between cruise operators, ports and coastal tourism stakeholders. The focus must be on the environmental impact of receiving cruiseships, but also the social impact and the way in which reception facilities at ports and in the regions concerned should be adapted. This Charter will cover the following:

- A design for a process to integrate all the maritime stakeholders involved;

- Environmental aspects and mitigation policies to reduce externalities;
- Social and economic dimension of cruises in the regions concerned;
- Need for coordination between cruise ports and cities;
- Best practices already in place.

This Charter will make it possible to reduce externalities resulting from cruise activities and trigger more economic and social benefits for cities and their inhabitants. One example is the exchange of best practices on managing congestion in peak season. The charter will also help enhance mutual understanding between cruise ports and city authorities. Moreover, the scope of the charter needs also to extend to the possible environmental impact of cruise services, and it will help raise awareness of best practices already in place at various cruise ports in order to avoid duplication.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 12 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Financial stability, financial services and capital markets union’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
38 484 250	38 258 444	38 484 250	38 484 250	38 064 726

Item 12 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
3 442 293	3 357 918	3 442 293	3 442 293	3 442 293

Article 12 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Financial stability, financial services and capital markets union’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 524 477	2 366 412	2 524 477	2 524 477	2 524 477

Article 12 02 03 — Standards in the fields of financial reporting and auditing

	Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
12 02 03	8 788 000	8 739 500	8 788 000	8 739 500	7 788 000	7 739 500	8 788 000	8 739 500	8 788 000	8 739 500
Reserve					1 000 000	1 000 000				
Total	8 788 000	8 739 500	8 788 000	8 739 500	8 788 000	8 739 500	8 788 000	8 739 500	8 788 000	8 739 500

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure arising in connection with the programme to support specific activities in the field of financial services, financial reporting and auditing.

The general objective of this programme is to improve the conditions for the functioning of the internal market by supporting the operations, activities or actions of certain bodies in the fields of financial services, financial reporting and auditing.

Union funding is vital in order to ensure the efficient and effective supervision of the internal market in financial services, particularly in view of the recent financial crisis.

Activities such as developing or providing input to the development of standards, applying, assessing or monitoring standards or overseeing standard-setting processes in support of the implementation of Union policies in the field of financial reporting and auditing are covered by the programme.

This programme is the continuation of the Community programme to support specific activities in the field of financial services, financial reporting and auditing as established by Decision No 716/2009/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 September 2009 establishing a Community programme to support specific activities in the field of financial services, financial reporting and auditing (OJ L 253, 25.9.2009 p. 8).

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 258/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 April 2014 establishing a Union programme to support specific activities in the field of financial reporting and auditing for the period of 2014-20 and repealing Decision No 716/2009/EC (OJ L 105, 8.4.2014, p. 1).

Item 12 02 77 10 — Preparatory action — Analysing the consequences of common ownership by institutional investors

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				300 000	150 000			300 000	75 000

Remarks:

Currently, there is a massive shift of money away from actively managed funds and into index funds that passively track established benchmark indices. There are a number of reasons for this recent development. First, private pensions have become more important and investors are looking for low-cost products as offered by passively managed funds in order to maximise their profits. Second, MiFID II has entered into force and introduces stricter governance, accountability and transparency requirements that large investment firms can more easily meet.

Since the index funds industry is highly concentrated in three large investment firms located outside the Union, the high growth of index funds is leading to a concentration of ownership in European publicly listed corporations. Additionally, the shift to passively managed index funds increases the market power of the small group of virtually unstudied index providers setting the criteria for the inclusion of companies in key benchmark indices. This situation first and foremost gives cause for concern for the corporate governance of European firms, including but not limited to codetermination, long-term investments and location choice. Furthermore, 'common ownership' raises competition concerns. Moreover, the ongoing concentration process within the asset management industry may also have potentially negative consequences for financial stability in the Union.

This pilot project will conduct the first analysis of the consequences of common ownership in European publicly listed corporations by institutional investors. The analysis will be three-pronged, combining (1) the first truly comprehensive empirical mapping of common ownership in the EU Member States with (2) an analysis of the voting behaviour of the large index investment firms in European companies, (3) expert interviews with market participants and company executives about the influence of both index investment firms and index providers and (4) the impact on corporate governance, competition and financial stability in the Union.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 12 02 77 11 — Pilot project — Feasibility study for a European asset registry in the context of the fight against money laundering and tax evasion

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				400 000	200 000			400 000	100 000

Remarks:

As demonstrated by recent media investigations into tax evasion and money laundering, such as the Panama Papers and Paradise Papers, the use of ‘offshore’ structures, such as companies, trusts, foundations and financial instruments held in or via other jurisdictions, allows not only the real ownership of wealth, but also its location and perhaps its very existence, to remain hidden. In the short to medium term, this secrecy allows wealth to escape taxation but also creates fertile ground for financial crimes such as corruption, money laundering, tax evasion and avoidance, and the funding of terrorism. In the longer term, this secrecy helps fuel inequality as approximately 50% of the wealth hidden offshore (wealth held offshore and not reported to authorities) belongs to the top 0.01% of the wealthiest people in the world. Offshore wealth is likely therefore to be a key factor responsible for exacerbating wealth inequality if it remains undertaxed.

Some progress have been made in the past to tackle secrecy, especially at European level. Many Member States have land registries; they have adopted the directive on administrative cooperation to automatically exchange financial information among themselves (including bank accounts); and with the revision of the anti-money laundering directive, they will soon all have public registries of beneficial owners of companies and registries of trusts’ beneficial owners accessible to persons with a legitimate interest in obtaining that information .

However, there are still gaps in the availability of important information in order to properly be able to tax wealth in the European Union and fight money laundering. Having a less fragmented approach across the 28 Member States would be beneficial. The European Union should consider the feasibility of and arrangements for creating an EU-wide registry in which details of ownership of certain types of assets are recorded, in order to ensure the necessary linkages between existing transparency mechanisms and with a view to adding new key information necessary to fight tax evasion and money laundering.

The pilot project should be used by the Commission to explore how to better collect and link full beneficial ownership information (e.g. registries of land, companies, trusts and foundations; and central depositories of securities ownership) and analyse areas for further work (e.g. design, scope and capacity constraints) for such an EU registry. The Commission should especially pay attention to the scope for including other assets in that registry (e.g. bitcoins, art, gold and properties) and to the IT requirements and take into consideration privacy issues.

By mapping existing information (in a public and non-public form) and through exchanges with experts in the relevant field (taxation, corruption, money laundering, financial markets, IT and legal experts), this pilot project will provide recommendations for the possible creation of an asset registry which could be turned into policy action in the future if technical and political conditions were met.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 13 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Regional and urban policy’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
66 292 226	66 066 420	66 292 226	66 292 226	65 569 562

Item 13 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 106 282	2 021 907	2 106 282	2 106 282	2 106 282

Article 13 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Regional and urban policy’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
4 348 615	4 190 550	4 348 615	4 348 615	4 348 615

Article 13 03 60 — European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) — Less developed regions — Investment for growth and jobs goal

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
20 801 122	18 613 726	20 801 122	18 613 726	20 801 122	19 791 849	20 801 122	18 613 726	20 801 122	18 613 726
934	293	934	293	934	899	934	293	934	293

Article 13 03 61 — European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) — Transition regions — Investment for growth and jobs goal

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
3 988 795 518	3 076 711 765	3 988 795 518	3 076 711 765	3 988 795 518	3 271 446 914	3 988 795 518	3 076 711 765	3 988 795 518	3 076 711 765

Article 13 03 62 — European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) — More developed regions — Investment for growth and jobs goal

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
4 977 523 735	4 198 026 179	4 977 523 735	4 198 026 179	4 977 523 735	4 463 732 984	4 977 523 735	4 198 026 179	4 977 523 735	4 198 026 179

Item 13 03 64 01 — European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) — European territorial cooperation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 884 632 310	1 209 939 975	1 884 632 310	1 209 939 975	1 884 632 310	1 286 521 033	1 884 632 310	1 209 939 975	1 884 632 310	1 209 939 975

Item 13 03 77 27 — Pilot project — Promoting city partnerships on a global scale for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda (NUA) of the United Nations with particular emphasis on cooperation on issues and policies relating to the circular economy as well as on issues of air quality, energy transition and the integration of migrants and refugees

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 500 000	750 000			1 500 000	375 000

Remarks:

EU urban development policy, and international cooperation on urban policy, is moving forward in areas such as smart cities, waste management and climate change adaptation. Other areas are much less tested. Accordingly, this pilot project will test international experience and examine best practice regarding four sustainable urban development themes which are relatively neglected and yet are crucially important for the quality of life in cities inside and outside the EU. These are areas in which cities across the world, including in less prosperous countries, have much experience to offer EU cities. For example, a fundamentally important field is the circular economy, where EU cities have much to learn from non-EU cities. Janez Potočnik, former European Commissioner and now Co-Chair of the United Nations Environment Programme’s International Resource Panel, has said that ‘transition to the circular economy

is not only necessary, it is unavoidable'. This is therefore one of the four key areas where there is a need to test new practices on the basis of international experience, which in turn can point the way for future EU urban development programmes under cohesion policy. To ensure the success of this cooperation it is important that it involve the stakeholders inside and outside the EU, notably the research community and the private sector.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 13 03 77 28 — Preparatory action — The Adriatic Ionian Network of Universities, Regions, Chambers of Commerce and Cities (AI-NURECC) spin-off

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 200 000	600 000			1 200 000	300 000

Remarks:

This preparatory action follows up on the success of the pilot project entitled: European Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (EUSAIR) – generation and preparation of initiatives and projects with a genuine added value for the region as a whole.

The AI-NURECC initiative involving key stakeholders in the Adriatic and Ionian regions, who have joined forces to support implementation of the EUSAIR, will take more effective ownership of the EUSAIR's main objectives and opportunities, at regional and local level, and foster the sound implementation of its action plan.

The AI-NURECC initiative is being coordinated by the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions with support from four partners in the area: the Adriatic Ionian Euroregion, the Forum of Adriatic and Ionian Cities, the Forum of the Adriatic and Ionian Chambers of Commerce, and UniAdriion.

The initial AI-NURECC initiative ran for 18 months (ending in autumn 2018) and feedback from stakeholders and participants showed the need for a second, extended initiative.

The AI-NURECC initiative spin-off will run for 36 months.

The AI-NURECC initiative spin-off will:

Enhance regional and local authorities' ownership of the EUSAIR's main objectives and opportunities, promoting an efficient participatory and bottom-up approach;

Promote the development of sustainable tourism, focusing on the eight priority activities for Thematic Steering Group (TSG) 4 as set out in the report in connection with the EUSAIR national tourism strategies on common priorities and actions in relation to the EUSAIR action plan – Pillar IV: 'Sustainable Tourism' – and support the implementation of the activities in cooperation with TSG 4 members;

Encourage multi-actor networking and collaboration among representatives of the private and public sector and civil society so as to:

foster coordination of EU, national, regional and local policies to develop a circular economy;

work on territorial challenges in specific Adriatic and Ionian territories (mountains, islands and sparsely populated areas) by linking the EUSAIR to the new territorial agenda and supporting regions with specific territorial challenges (existing platforms, young people in areas with territorial challenges) with a view to establishing a dialogue;

increase the skills and knowledge of young people, students and civil servants, including those in areas with territorial challenges;

promote the EUSAIR cross-pillar topics ‘Research and Innovation’, ‘SME Development’ and ‘Capacity Building’, i.e. to support entrepreneurship, transnational clusters and digital innovation hub activities for the EUSAIR, and contribute to disseminating and strengthening the existing RIS3 platforms and working on new ones, where appropriate.

Enable synergies with the EUSAIR TSGs;

Promote synergies with other initiatives (WESTMED, BLUEMED) or other macroregional strategies (EUSDR, EUSBSR, EUSALP).

The target groups of the AI-NURECC initiative spin-off will be:

Regional and local government practitioners;

Universities, VET institutions, students and student associations;

Young people, including unemployed young people;

Regional or local development agencies;

Chambers of Commerce;

Small and medium-sized enterprises;

Creative and cultural industries;

Private investors;

Island, rural and mountainous communities and networks.

The activities undertaken by the AI-NURECC initiative spin-off will be to:

Organise AI-NURECC training seminars focused on different thematic areas and cross-cutting issues (sustainable tourism, blue growth, SME development, R&I, etc.);

Deal with RIS3, innovation and SME development issues within the strategy;

Create the AI-NURECC scholarship fund (a six-month free internship in an innovative Adriatic-Ionian enterprise);

Develop specific studies (e.g. on how to tackle challenges affecting the development of sustainable AI cruise tourism, maritime western silk roads, indicators and data collections for EUSAIR islands, etc.).

The territorial scope of the AI-NURECC initiative spin-off will be:

The EUSAIR macroregion.

Activities, where possible, should target or be implemented in AI territories with specific challenges (e.g. mountains, islands and sparsely populated areas).

Given the activities that the AI-NURECC initiative spin-off aims to deliver, implementation of specific actions will also involve associated partners.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 13 03 77 29 — Preparatory action — The European Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (EUSAIR): generation and preparation of initiatives and projects supporting multilevel governance and partnerships with added value for the region

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				900 000	450 000			900 000	225 000

Remarks:

This preparatory action will organise and develop:

Effective multi-level governance in pursuit of the objectives laid down in the EUSAIR;

Capacity building among EUSAIR key implementers as a prerequisite for effective implementation of the EUSAIR Action Plan;

Actions to generate, prepare and implement initiatives and projects with a genuine macro-regional value;

Awareness-raising initiatives, supporting partnerships between NGOs and local and regional authorities, cultural events, training programmes and/or seminars for citizens and especially for young people in the region, with the aim of creating ownership with regard to EUSAIR, emphasising shared regional identity and promoting partnership and networking across the region. These programmes should stress civic education, transnational entrepreneurship, opportunities for cultural events and good-neighbourly relations, and help promote effective EU integration of candidate and potential candidate countries for EU membership;

Support for international associations representing regions, cities, chambers of commerce, universities, portal authorities and others that aim to further improve implementation of the strategy.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 13 03 77 30 — Pilot project — BEST Culture: programme to support cultural diversity in European overseas territories

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

The outermost regions (ORs) and overseas countries and territories (OCTs) are a source of immeasurable cultural wealth for the EU. That is demonstrated in particular by the fact that UNESCO classifies two ancestral cultural practices from those regions – ‘maloya’ from Réunion and ‘gwoka’ from Guadeloupe – as part of the world’s intangible cultural heritage.

The EU’s specific approach to ORs and OCTs should also be the basis for establishing an initiative to safeguard the identity and cultural diversity of those regions that primarily benefits European indigenous peoples such as Guyana’s Amerindians.

Along the lines of the BEST programme for promoting and supporting biodiversity and ecosystem services, the BEST Culture pilot project will set up a dedicated mechanism for ORs and OCTs in order to safeguard and promote local and indigenous culture and provide a vehicle for local knowledge and popular arts and practices, which act as a unifying factor for overseas communities. It will set up a financing mechanism specifically given over to safeguarding, supporting and fostering the indigenous

cultural richness of ORs and OCTs, as well as to promoting the territories and peoples concerned, and providing for cultural exchanges, among themselves and across the European Union.

The pilot project will address all living traditions and expressions inherited from ancestors and passed on to descendants, such as oral traditions, performing arts, social practices, rituals and festive events, knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe, and the knowledge and know-how necessary for traditional craftsmanship. The pilot project will extend to the entire geographical area of the European ORs and OCTs, including Greenland. Any persons or organisations located in that geographical area will be eligible to take part in the pilot project, provided that the main purpose of their actions is to safeguard and promote the traditional culture of ORs and OCTs.

Other European programmes, such as Creative Europe, could complement the pilot project's objective of safeguarding traditional culture and be used, for example, to disseminate cultural knowledge and practices throughout the EU via European communication networks and media.

By bringing greater prominence to overseas regions' identity and history, which also tie in with those of continental Europe, the pilot project will help continue the process of making European overseas regions better known. Promoting the local cultures of continental Europe's remote territories would therefore fully reflect the EU's motto 'United in diversity' and would also combat certain prejudices.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 13 04 60 — Cohesion Fund — Investment for growth and jobs goal

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
10 064 646 374	8 300 000 000	10 064 646 374	8 300 000 000	10 064 646 374	8 825 334 142	10 064 646 374	8 300 000 000	10 064 646 374	8 300 000 000

Item 13 04 61 01 — Cohesion Fund — Operational technical assistance

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
24 656 318	22 814 696	24 656 318	22 814 696	27 121 949	24 047 512	24 656 318	22 814 696	24 656 318	22 814 696

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to support the preparatory, monitoring, technical assistance, evaluation, audit and control measures, as well as the Corporate Communication programme, necessary for implementing the Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 as provided for in Articles 58 and 118 of that Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1300/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the Cohesion Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1084/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 281).

Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 320).

Article 13 06 01 — Assistance to Member States in the event of a major natural disaster with serious repercussions on living conditions, the natural environment or the economy

	Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
13 06 01	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000
Reserve							50 000 000	50 000 000		
Total	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000	100 000 000	100 000 000	50 000 000	50 000 000

Remarks:

This article is intended to record appropriations resulting from the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund in the event of major or regional disasters in the Member States. Assistance should be provided in connection with natural disasters to the Member States concerned, with a deadline being laid down for use of the financial assistance awarded and provision being made for beneficiary states to substantiate the use made of the assistance they receive. Assistance received which is subsequently offset by third-party payments, or received in excess of the final valuation of damage should be recovered.

With the exception of advance payments, the allocation of the appropriations will be carried out by transfers of appropriations from the reserve or, in case of insufficient appropriations in the reserve, by an amending budget simultaneously to the mobilisation decision of the European Union Solidarity Fund.

Legal basis:

Council Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002 of 11 November 2002 establishing the European Union Solidarity Fund (OJ L 311, 14.11.2002, p. 3).

Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 of 2 December 2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 884), and in particular Article 10 thereof.

Reference acts

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 4 September 2019, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002 in order to provide financial assistance to Member States to cover serious financial burden inflicted on them following a withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union without an agreement (COM(2019) 399).

Article 13 06 02 — Assistance to countries negotiating for accession in the event of a major natural disaster with serious repercussions on living conditions, the natural environment or the economy

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

This article is intended to record appropriations resulting from the mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund in the event of major or regional disasters in countries involved in accession negotiations with the Union. Assistance may be provided in connection with natural disasters to the countries concerned, with a deadline being laid down for use of the financial assistance awarded and provision being made for beneficiary states to substantiate the use made of the assistance they receive. Assistance received which is subsequently offset by third-party payments, or received in excess of the final valuation of damage should be recovered.

Legal basis:

Council Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002 of 11 November 2002 establishing the European Union Solidarity Fund (OJ L 311, 14.11.2002, p. 3).

Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 of 2 December 2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 884), and in particular Article 10 thereof.

Article 13 07 01 — Financial support for encouraging the economic development of the Turkish Cypriot community

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 762 000	35 000 000	33 762 000	35 000 000	36 762 000	36 500 000	33 762 000	35 000 000	35 762 000	37 000 000

Article 13 08 01 — Structural Reform Support Programme – Operational technical assistance transferred from H1b (ESF, ERDF and CF)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
74 793 000	33 700 000	49 569 145	33 700 000	82 272 300	37 439 650	74 793 000	33 700 000	74 793 000	33 700 000

Article 14 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Taxation and customs union’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
52 015 810		51 790 004		52 015 810		52 015 810		51 448 776	

Item 14 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
5 589 707		5 505 332		5 589 707		5 589 707		5 589 707	

Article 14 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Taxation and customs union’ policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
3 412 116		3 254 051		3 412 116		3 412 116		3 412 116	

Article 14 02 01 — Supporting the functioning and modernisation of the customs union

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
75 164 000	75 200 000	75 164 000	75 200 000	78 286 000	76 761 000	75 164 000	75 200 000	75 164 000	75 200 000

Item 14 03 77 04 — Preparatory action — EU Tax and Financial Crimes Observatory - Capacity building to support Union policymaking in the area of taxation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 200 000	600 000			1 200 000	300 000

Remarks:

The abundance of money laundering, tax evasion and tax avoidance revelations over the last few years has significantly shaken the confidence of European citizens, businesses and trade unions in the robustness and fairness of EU rules against money laundering, tax evasion and tax avoidance. When three out of four citizens expect the European Union to do more on taxation, it is essential to ensure that public interests and interests of all stakeholders are taken into account in designing initiatives to strengthen European rules against financial crimes, tax evasion and tax avoidance.

This preparatory action will create a specialised and independent observatory on EU tax and financial crime matters, its main functions being to:

- create a publicly-accessible repository of data on tax evasion and tax avoidance in the EU and the effects of policy reform in these domains;

- disseminate the available data in a user-friendly manner and inform the wider public of issues relating to tax fairness, including related issues such as anti-money-laundering rules, for business and individual taxpayers and the wider public;
- provide secretarial and management functions for a future multi-stakeholder expert forum, which inter alia would be a consultative body in charge of methodological guidance in the area of taxation and financial crime;
- produce evidence and recommendations relating to combating tax evasion, tax avoidance and financial crime on the basis of the work of the forum;
- liaise with international organisations and national administrations on issues relating to EU tax and anti-money-laundering policymaking (i.e. anti-money-laundering legislation is necessary to counter tax evasion).
- liaise with different international organisations and national administrations on issues related to EU tax and anti-money laundering policy making (i.e. anti-money laundering legislation is necessary to counter tax evasion)

Given the role of this observatory, implementation of this preparatory action should be led by the Commission's DG TAXUD, in close collaboration with other relevant DGs.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 15 01 01 — Expenditure relating to officials and temporary staff in the 'Education and culture' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
49 284 670	49 058 864	49 284 670	49 284 670	48 747 408

Item 15 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
3 597 501	3 513 126	3 597 501	3 597 501	3 597 501

Article 15 01 03 — Expenditure relating to information and communication technology equipment and services of the 'Education and culture' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
3 232 959	3 074 894	3 232 959	3 232 959	3 232 959

Article 15 01 61 — Cost of organising graduate traineeships with the institution

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
13 397 000	8 597 000	13 397 000	13 397 000	13 267 000

Item 15 02 01 01 — Promoting excellence and cooperation in the European education and training area and its relevance to the labour market

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
2 497 651 602	2 375 000 000	2 497 651 602	2 375 000 000	2 597 651 602	2 450 000 000	2 497 651 602	2 375 000 000	2 538 161 453	2 415 509 851

Remarks:

In line with the general objective of the Erasmus+ programme and in particular with the objectives of the Strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training (ET 2020), as well as in support of the sustainable development of third countries in the field of higher education, this appropriation is intended to pursue the following specific objectives in the field of education and training:

- to improve the level of key competences and skills with particular regard to their relevance for the labour market and contribution to a cohesive society, notably through increased opportunities for learning mobility and strengthened cooperation between the world of education and training and the world of work,
- to foster quality improvements, innovation excellence and internationalisation at the level of education and training institutions, notably through enhanced transnational cooperation between education and training providers and other stakeholders,
- to promote the emergence and raise awareness of a European lifelong learning area, to complement policy reforms at national level and to support the modernisation of education and training systems, notably through enhanced policy cooperation, better use of Union transparency and recognition tools and the dissemination of good practices,
- to enhance the international dimension of education and training, notably through cooperation between Union and third country institutions in the field of vocational education and training (VET) and in higher education, by increasing the attractiveness of European higher education institutions and supporting the Union's external action, including its development objectives, through the promotion of mobility and cooperation between the Union and third country higher education institutions and targeted capacity building in third countries,
- to improve the teaching and learning of languages and to promote the Union's broad linguistic diversity and intercultural awareness, including minority and endangered languages,
- to support free, high-quality public education in such a way as to guarantee that no pupil is denied access to or forced to break off any level of education on economic grounds, with particular attention being paid to the first years of schooling, with a view to preventing early school-leaving and ensuring that children from the least-favoured sections of society can be fully integrated,
- to promote Erasmus+ among all citizens and generations, including by offering activities of education and exchanges of experiences to seniors, with a view to building and adding solidity to the European identity.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this item. By way of information, these amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation; they give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the 'European Economic Area' Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget.

Any revenue from the contributions from candidate countries and, if applicable, the Western Balkan potential candidates for participating in Union programmes entered in Item 6 0 3 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations, according to the same ratio as between the amount authorised for expenditure on administrative management and the total appropriations entered for the programme, in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation.

Any revenue from the contributions from the countries of the European neighbourhood area in accordance with the procedures defined with those countries following the framework Agreements providing for their participation in Union programmes as entered in Item 6 0 3 3 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations, according to the same ratio as between the amount authorised for expenditure on administrative management and the total appropriations entered for the programme, in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation.

Any revenue from the contribution from the Swiss Confederation for participating in Union programmes entered under Item 6 0 3 3 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations, in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation.

Any repayment from financial instruments pursuant to Article 209(3) of the Financial Regulation, including capital repayments, guarantees released, and repayment of the principal of loans, paid back to the Commission and entered in Item 6 4 1 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations in accordance with point (f) of Article 21(3) and Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

The total assigned revenue received under Items 6 0 3 1 and 6 0 3 3 of the statement of revenue is estimated at around EUR 125 000 000.

Assigned revenue received under Item 6 6 0 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

The corresponding amount is estimated at around EUR 35 000 000.

This appropriation should also be used to implement initiatives under Erasmus+ to continue work on social inclusion and non-discrimination.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1288/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing ‘Erasmus+’: the Union programme for education, training, youth and sport and repealing Decisions No 1719/2006/EC, No 1720/2006/EC and No 1298/2008/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 50).

Item 15 02 01 02 — Promoting excellence and cooperation in the European youth area and the participation of young people in European democratic life

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
187 211 158	180 000 000	187 211 158	180 000 000	205 932 273	194 040 836	187 211 158	180 000 000	194 795 054	187 583 896

Article 15 02 02 — Promoting excellence in teaching and research activities in European integration through the Jean Monnet Activities worldwide

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
47 056 540	46 000 000	47 056 540	46 000 000	51 762 194	49 529 241	47 056 540	46 000 000	48 962 793	47 906 253

Article 15 02 10 — Special *annual events* - European Youth Olympic Festivals

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				3 000 000	2 250 000				

Remarks:

The European Youth Olympic Festival (EYOF) is the biggest European multisport event aimed at young athletes aged 14 to 18. Winter and summer festivals take place in two-year cycles and are organised by the European Olympic Committees (EOC) under the patronage of the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Some 50 European National Olympic Committees, including those of all the EU countries, send

delegations to these week-long festivals celebrating European youth, culture and sport. In addition to the official team members, over 2 000 volunteers – game makers – ensure that the events are a success. After having had a first taste of a major multisport competition at the EYOF, many young athletes go on to compete in the Olympic Games. Yet the EYOF is much more than a sporting competition. It helps develop the future of Europe – its young people – by teaching them the values and ideals embodied in the Olympic Charter as well as by educating and motivating them to engage in sport and adopt a healthy lifestyle.

Approximately 3 600 young people and officials take part in the summer festivals, while around 1 600 participate in the winter version. The 2021 European Youth Olympic Winter Festival will be held in Vuokatti, Finland from 6 to 13 February 2021. The young athletes will compete in nine sports: alpine skiing, biathlon, cross country skiing, figure skating, ice hockey, Nordic combined, short track speed skating, ski jumping and snowboarding. The 2021 Summer EYOF will take place in Banská Bystrica, Slovakia, from 24 July to 1 August 2021, featuring the following 10 sports: artistic gymnastics, athletics, basketball, cycling, handball, judo, swimming, tennis, triathlon and volleyball.

Item 15 02 77 20 — Preparatory action — DiscoverEU: Free travel pass for Europeans turning 18

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	13 000 000	p.m.	13 000 000	25 000 000	25 500 000	p.m.	13 000 000	25 000 000	19 250 000

Remarks:

This preparatory action will serve as a follow-up to the first trial conducted in 2018 prior to setting up a fully fledged programme providing every European turning 18 with a free travel pass. The objective is not only to give them an opportunity to explore Europe's cultural diversity, but also, more importantly, to better connect young people with European identity and raise awareness of the Union's core values.

Because of low purchasing power, cultural obstacles and a lack of inclusive and targeted projects, a substantial number of very young Europeans have never or rarely travelled within Europe. This is particularly true for particular regions of Europe and for low-income families. Although educational exchange programmes exist and have benefited many Europeans, the EU has still not managed to set up an easy and inclusive tool providing any European, regardless of social or educational background, with a travel experience that would foster a European identity, familiarise them with a sustainable and clean mode of transport, and connect them with other cultures.

The European Parliament has repeatedly welcomed the DiscoverEU initiative and stressed that, if it were socially and geographically inclusive and at all times tied in with educational and cultural objectives, it could offer younger generations a chance to take advantage of freedom of movement and travel in an environment-friendly way.

The first steps under the initial project were taken in 2018 and have made it possible to explore the conditions needed for the operational aspects to be successful. Insight from the initial trial could be fine-tuned to ensure that more youngsters benefit from the project and correct shortcomings found during the first year of implementation by meeting the following key requirements and objectives:

Principal requirements:

The Commission must build on the first year of implementation of the preparatory action; however, the preparatory action must be seen as unique and independent, in particular with a view to targeting young people who are currently not covered by any EU programme.

Accordingly, programmes such as Erasmus+ must not be affected by the preparatory action.

The preparatory action will cover young people from all Member States regardless of whether they are part of the Interrail network (the five Member States currently not covered being Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Cyprus)

Action points:

- Pursuing contact with and involving the relevant stakeholders regarding the product offered to young people turning 18;
- Determining the number of young people who could be given the pass;
- Purchasing passes;
- Distributing passes to beneficiaries;
- Defining precisely what the DiscoverEU pass is to cover so as to match young people's travel patterns (duration, validity, seasonal requirements, time and budgetary constraints, load factors);
- Making the system more user-friendly for 18-year-olds applying for passes;
- Improving the process for selecting the users who will benefit from the preparatory action, including defining criteria allowing inter alia all Member States to be covered, including the five that are currently not covered by the Interrail network, i.e. Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta and Cyprus, and better targeting young people who are not already benefiting from a European programme;
- Improving the voucher scheme for distributing and personalising passes in close cooperation with relevant stakeholders;
- Investigating together with the relevant stakeholders, mechanisms to encourage specific itineraries for young people to really experience Europe (to include less 'popular' destinations);
- Improving the arrangements for publicising the programme, so as to ensure visibility, with a particular focus on linking the initiative to a campaign on European identity and values;
- Developing a creative and participative way for users to share and follow-up their experience (e.g. a photo competition and exhibition in the European Parliament and social media contributions).

The preparatory action should be implemented in 2020.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item 15 02 77 21 — Preparatory action — Exchanges and mobility in sport

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	230 244	p.m.	230 244	1 500 000	980 244	p.m.	230 244	1 500 000	605 244

Item 15 02 77 23 — Preparatory action — Monitoring and coaching, through sports, of youngsters at risk of radicalisation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	1 000 000	500 000	p.m.	p.m.	1 000 000	250 000

Item 15 02 77 28 — Preparatory action — Sport as a tool for integration and social inclusion of refugees

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	1 750 000	875 000	p.m.	p.m.	1 750 000	437 500

Item 15 02 77 29 — Preparatory action — Grassroots sports programmes and infrastructure innovation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 500 000	750 000			1 500 000	375 000

Remarks:

Grassroots sports is a traditional and slowly evolving area. Society in general and individuals' needs and preferences regarding sports, however, change more rapidly. Indeed, participation figures highlight a growing mismatch between the provision of opportunities for sports via traditional sports organisations and the demand for sports from individuals. The way in which sports associations and clubs are organised and their lack of innovation prevents them from bridging this gap. This project will challenge parties outside the traditional sports structure to propose innovative solutions to bring sports supply into line with individuals' demand at all levels, and provide a sports innovation ecosystem to make it possible for new ways of playing sports to be offered to the general public faster.

In order to produce a working innovative ecosystem for grassroots sports organisations, two things are needed: new, soft programmes offering sports in new ways, and a flexible sports infrastructure able to host different sports at a single location.

This preparatory action will identify and test multiple promising innovations in both categories. To achieve this, innovation challenges will be organised that select and reward promising innovations by any interested party (institution, company, start-up, individual(s) or other parties), which can be introduced and tested over a substantial period (minimum six months). The funding will be invested in soft programmes and new (small) sports infrastructure.

The final aim is to include tested innovations in the ecosystem of existing sports clubs and infrastructure. Examples of soft programmes might be three-a-side football, cross-overs between different sports (e.g. fitness and football) or recurring local mini-tournaments. Examples of new small infrastructure innovations might be flexible pitch line marking systems or sensors to indicate what pitches are available and which is in current use. Successfully tested examples will be shared with European stakeholders via an online platform, with the cooperation of European governing bodies such as UEFA.

The action will:

Unlock innovative solutions for non-traditional sports by organising open innovation challenges;

Increase the number of people practising sports by offering new concepts;

Increase the use of existing sports infrastructure.

The expected outcomes include:

A number of tested innovative soft programmes that can be integrated into grassroots sports clubs;

A number of tested innovative small infrastructure elements that can be incorporated into existing sports infrastructure;

New methods to increase sports participation through innovation, which will have beneficial effects on public health and social integration;

Learning how to include non-traditional stakeholders in bringing innovation to the sports landscape, to be shared through European association structures.

Since the expected outcomes of this action include changes to the existing sports infrastructure, it is not eligible under the Erasmus+ programme.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 15 03 01 01 — Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions — generating, developing and transferring new skills, knowledge and innovation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 024 532 312	862 725 632	1 024 532 312	862 725 632	1 044 532 312	872 725 632	1 024 532 312	862 725 632	1 032 643 417	865 158 632

Article 15 03 05 — European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) — integrating the knowledge triangle of higher education, research and innovation

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
496 678 348	473 515 586	496 678 348	473 515 586	521 678 348	486 015 586	496 678 348	473 515 586	496 678 348	473 515 586

Article 15 04 01 — Strengthening the financial capacity of SMEs and small and very small organisations in the European cultural and creative sectors, and fostering policy development and new business models

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
38 241 000	29 200 000	36 241 000	29 200 000	42 065 100	31 112 050	38 241 000	29 200 000	39 241 000	30 000 000

Article 15 04 02 — Culture Sub-programme — Supporting cross-border actions and promoting transnational circulation and mobility

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
75 246 000	66 000 000	72 246 000	66 000 000	82 770 600	69 762 300	75 246 000	66 000 000	76 746 000	67 200 000

Item 15 04 77 17 — Preparatory action — European Houses of Culture

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	187 500	p.m.	187 500	750 000	562 500	p.m.	187 500	750 000	375 000

Item 15 04 77 18 — Preparatory action — Music Moves Europe: Boosting European music diversity and talent

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	2 255 000	p.m.	2 255 000	2 500 000	3 505 000	p.m.	2 255 000	2 500 000	2 880 000

Item 15 04 77 20 — Pilot project — Jewish Digital Cultural Recovery Project

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	122 500	p.m.	122 500	490 000	367 500	p.m.	122 500	490 000	245 000

Item 15 04 77 22 — Preparatory action — Finance, Learning, Innovation and Patenting for Cultural and Creative Industries (FLIP for CCIs)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 500 000	750 000			1 500 000	375 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to launch the preparatory action.

Cultural diversity and identification of the proper cultural mix are of strategic importance for creativity and innovation. The cultural and creative industries (CCIs) in Europe employ more than 12 million people, or 7.5% of the European workforce, and create about EUR 509 000 000 000 in added value as a result, in particular, of the contribution made by small and micro enterprises. CCIs are a driving force generating a competitive advantage for Europe, especially since they provide products and services that promote evolution of the production paradigms of Industry 4.0.

This preparatory action will define and test the policies and actions necessary to sustain and develop these enterprises, which, with appropriate support, can generate cross-benefits and spill-overs in all the areas and sectors with which these companies interface in achieving their business objectives.

The thrust of the action involves four areas:

1. A new model for analysing skills

The model for recognising skills normally used in European training systems needs to be reviewed and updated to properly include the organisational model of those enterprises, which often have little hierarchy, a broader tolerance for risk, a different time-management approach and strong disciplinary interchange, and which are therefore not compatible with the traditional manufacturing paradigm. This new model for analysing and identifying skills compatible with the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering/Environment, Arts, Manufacturing) areas seeks to create a privileged relationship among virtuous companies, the most significant best practices, and success stories, in order to identify and define both the skills and the characteristics of the professionals who work in these areas. In other words, the genesis and evolution of those skills must be traced back, moving beyond the more widespread paradigm in which professionals are codified within analytical-descriptive work processes (typical of manufacturing organisations), in order to obtain job descriptions consistent with the distinctive organisational characteristics of those companies.

More specifically, the action will be divided into the following phases:

- selecting ‘best practice’ CCIs to be involved in the investigation to formulate a skill classification model that recognises the special nature of the various sectors (historical and artistic heritage, content industry, ICT industries, and materials culture, including the macro-sectors of fashion, design and the taste industry) and the regional dimensions of the Union,
- developing a model for recognising skills,
- testing the model with a broader panel of enterprises,
- releasing the model for codifying skills and associating them with professionals in the light of the European framework on skills.

2. Indications for the education system

Nowadays, the development of creative and cultural skills is the result of a process that is neither fully structured, nor entirely aligned with the needs for medium/long-term management of CCIs. The output generated by the skill recognition model would pave the way for the identification of aspects and issues in the education system with respect to the characteristics of training programmes aimed at developing skills. In fact, the development of strategic skills for CCIs is often left to chance and individual initiative and inventiveness, or to informal processes, without a structural approach derived from a vision that fosters a precise training policy and targeted programmes.

The key goal of this phase of the action is to perpetuate these skills through the training system, so as to prepare more European citizens for operating effectively in the various business areas in which CCIs are involved.

The guidelines should be structured in such a way that observing the specific nature of the national and regional education systems will guide their training programmes, from primary training to tertiary

education. Efforts should be made to improve the capability of the education system to dialogue with CCIs and promote innovative training models (learning laboratories, creative hubs, etc.). This should accompany the formulation of guidelines to empower teachers to promote skill-based learning, going beyond a rigid system of disciplines and favouring a holistic and multi-disciplinary approach. Centuries of craftsmen's traditions across Europe show the value of spending time gaining experience from different workshops as an important part of the cultural and practical training of an aspirant master in creative artisanship. While the German 'Wandergeselle' or the French 'compagnon' of the past were self-organised forms of learning, they highlight the need for a structured and common European approach to identify and transfer the elusive skills of CCIs.

3. A new financial classification for CCIs

Access to finance is a major obstacle to growth for many CCIs, which are generally small and often undercapitalised. The banking and financial system is slow to classify those enterprises within traditional systems, as most of them are founded on one prototype or single project and are heavily dependent on their products and services, on individual talent, and on assumption of risks. Unlike companies operating in the technological sectors, CCIs find it hard to obtain recognition of the value of their intangible assets on their balance sheets, and their investments in the development of new talent and creative ideas do not correspond to the usual concept of R&D.

The action will define guidelines to improve CCIs' capability to better communicate financial values associated with intangible assets so as to give them fair access to lending. This would make it easier for CCIs to access guarantee systems (e.g. Creative Europe Programme and the European Fund for Strategic Investments) and other financing mechanisms. The guidelines will be defined on the basis of a comparison of existing instruments in European countries (e.g. Bancopass in Italy) that those enterprises are already using to dialogue proactively with banks.

4. Valuing and defending intellectual property produced by CCIs

Companies that protect their intellectual activities are 22 % more productive (for the same territory, sector and size), with revenue growth 2 % higher than the sample average. Specifically, companies that filed a patent in 2011-2013 have a 6,5 % higher percentage of exports to total revenue, for the same territory, size and sector.

Because of the often under-structured organisation of cultural and creative industries, the registration or patenting of innovations they are able to produce is not always a priority, thus diminishing the value of the results produced by that innovation. It is therefore essential to study how to make those industries — especially the small and medium-sized ones — more aware of the benefits in terms of stronger impact deriving from the registration or patenting of their innovative products and services, and foster access to those opportunities, as these enterprises are often undercapitalised. Through a close tie-in with outputs emerging from a comparison of best practices and instruments described in point 3, the action will take forward existing instruments in European countries, which enterprises use to dialogue with banks, financial bodies and institutions, involving specific items that can enhance the values of innovation registration or patenting.

Framework development of the action

The initiative will be developed through the creation of European partnerships that enhance qualified organisations' expertise in the various phases and activities that make up the action. The organisations that carry out the action should represent the main reference regions for CCIs and be equipped with the necessary resources to maximise the action's impact.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the

general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 15 04 77 23 — Preparatory action — Protecting the Jewish Cemeteries of Europe: a full mapping process with research and monitoring and individual costed proposals for protection

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 200 000	600 000			1 200 000	300 000

Remarks:

The existing pilot project has made it possible to map Jewish cemeteries across Europe – itself an urgent task due to the increasing threat of erosion, neglect and vandalism. The resulting database is unique in its accuracy, thoroughness and scope, but it is only partially finished — the action would make most sense if the survey were completed in every EU country as well as in Neighbourhood Policy states. Maintenance of the database would be crucial for it to function appropriately and continue to serve as a reference point.

Jewish cemeteries in Europe are a ubiquitous form of cultural heritage; they testify to the multicultural history of the continent and often serve as the sole such heritage in remote, rural areas. Protecting that inevitably bring together state actors, NGOs, local communities, Jewish communities, descendants, offering a unique opportunity to develop strong, cross-sectoral collaborative ties, strengthening and enriching local identity.

Developing and implementing a bottom-up, decentralised form of protection therefore serves as an entry point for many such localities into the broader infrastructure of conservation, heritage management and heritage-oriented education. This being so, protecting Jewish cemeteries is a key element for capacity building in the cultural sector, a more active and tolerant civil society, and a multi-scalar European heritage infrastructure.

It is therefore of utmost importance to take the pilot project forward as a preparatory action for another two year-period.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 15 04 77 24 — Preparatory action — Bottom-up policy development for culture and well-being in the EU

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				500 000	250 000			500 000	125 000

Remarks:

In 2018, the EU adopted the New European Agenda for Culture, further developing the scope of the 'European Agenda for Culture in a Globalised World' (2007). The New Agenda reaffirms that the cultural and creative sectors strengthen European identity, have the power to improve lives, transform communities, generate jobs and growth, and create spillover effects in other sectors. More precisely, one of the three strategic objectives of the New Agenda is to harness the power of culture and cultural diversity for social cohesion and well-being by promoting cultural participation, mobility of artists and protection of heritage.

The document calls for research into cultural crossovers to assess impacts in different fields, including health and well-being.

Access to culture and participation in cultural life promote individual empowerment, democratic consciousness and social cohesion through exchanges with other people and civic engagement. Changing user behaviour because of digitalisation, ageing and culturally diverse societies calls for a better understanding of different audiences. A stronger orientation towards the interests and needs of specific groups, such as young people, older people, people with disabilities, people with a migrant background and people living in poverty or material deprivation, is necessary. Digital technologies are an asset for audience development and innovative methods of participation. Cross-sectoral cooperation with other areas, such as education, social care, healthcare, science and technology, and regional and urban development, has a significant effect on cohesion and well-being. Special attention should be paid to the role of culture at local level, to the quality of architecture and the living environment and to culture-led social innovations contributing to the development of cities and regions across the EU.

Target outputs: The exchange of experience and success stories will help identify best practices. Synergies could be established with the Structural Funds, the Urban Agenda for the EU and its new Partnership on Culture and Cultural Heritage as well as with the UN Agenda 2030 and the OECD project on culture-led regional productivity and well-being.

The preparatory action will support

1. research into culture and well-being;
2. trans-sectoral and trans-European cooperation with the aim of generating knowledge, pilot projects and policy guidelines on how to enhance well-being through culture – the European Culture and Well-being Think Tank;
3. experimental work on the ground in pilot cities across Europe on methods, actions and measures to enhance the well-being of individuals and communities (quality of built environments, quality of spaces for social interaction, quality of services for specific groups such as school pupils, children, the elderly, special needs groups, etc.);
4. development of action and policy guidelines for cities, institutions and cultural actors on the effective use of culture for well-being;
5. sharing of knowledge, increasing awareness and capacity of key players to use culture for well-being – local workshops in various cities in Europe and a large scale Culture and Well-Being Forum.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 16 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Communication’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
73 740 791	73 514 985	73 740 791	73 740 791	72 936 929

Item 16 01 02 01 — External personnel — Headquarters

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
6 610 620	6 526 245	6 610 620	6 610 620	6 610 620

Item 16 01 02 03 — External personnel — Commission Representations

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
17 891 000	17 891 000	17 891 000	17 891 000	17 712 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover remuneration, flat-rate overtime, and the institution's social security contributions in respect of local staff, contract staff and agency staff employed in the Commission Representations in the Union.

Legal basis:

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Item 16 01 03 01 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
4 837 223		4 679 158		4 837 223		4 837 223		4 837 223	

Item 16 03 01 03 — Information outlets

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
16 100 000	15 500 000	14 100 000	15 500 000	16 100 000	15 500 000	16 100 000	15 500 000	16 100 000	15 500 000

Item 16 03 01 04 — Communication of the Commission Representations, Citizens' Dialogues and 'Partnership' actions

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
22 325 000	20 600 000	17 825 000	20 600 000	23 000 000	20 937 500	22 325 000	20 600 000	22 325 000	20 600 000

Item 16 03 02 05 — Public opinion analysis

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
7 000 000	6 800 000	5 500 000	6 800 000	7 000 000	6 800 000	7 000 000	6 800 000	7 000 000	6 800 000

Article 17 01 01 — Expenditure relating to officials and temporary staff in the 'Health and food safety' policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
76 720 216		76 494 410		76 720 216		76 720 216		75 883 874	

Item 17 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
6 611 046		6 526 671		6 611 046		6 611 046		6 611 046	

Item 17 01 03 01 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
5 032 667		4 874 602		5 032 667		5 032 667		5 032 667	

Article 17 03 01 — Third programme for the Union's action in the field of health (2014-2020)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
63 624 000	58 100 000	62 258 000	58 100 000	63 624 000	58 100 000	63 624 000	58 100 000	63 624 000	58 100 000

Item 17 03 12 01 — Union contribution to the European Medicines Agency

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
32 285 000	32 285 000	32 285 000	32 285 000	38 185 000	38 185 000	32 285 000	32 285 000	34 285 000	34 285 000

Item 17 03 12 02 — Special contribution for orphan medicinal products

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
15 715 000	15 715 000	14 215 000	14 215 000	15 715 000	15 715 000	15 715 000	15 715 000	15 715 000	15 715 000

Article 17 04 01 — Ensuring a higher animal health status and high level of protection of animals in the Union

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
171 000 000	143 880 000	163 000 000	143 880 000	171 000 000	143 880 000	171 000 000	143 880 000	169 500 000	143 880 000

Article 17 04 02 — Ensuring timely detection of harmful organisms for plants and their eradication

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
30 500 000	19 800 000	28 500 000	19 800 000	30 500 000	19 800 000	30 500 000	19 800 000	30 500 000	19 800 000

Article 17 04 04 — Fund for emergency measures related to animal and plant health

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
20 000 000	20 000 000	20 000 000	20 000 000	40 000 000	30 000 000	20 000 000	20 000 000	20 000 000	20 000 000

Item 17 04 77 07 — Pilot project — Welfare of dairy cattle, including measures to protect unweaned dairy calves and end-of-career animals

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				950 000	475 000			950 000	237 500

Remarks:

The expansion of the dairy sector, the increase in the average productivity of dairy cows, and the surplus of male dairy calves have not been accompanied by updated animal welfare policies. A recent Commission report indicates that insufficient attention is being paid to parameters such as mastitis, lameness, cubicle design and lying comfort, which are known to influence not only welfare but also health and on-farm longevity of dairy cows. Member States have different regulatory regimes, thus disrupting the level-playing field for producers. Additionally, the increase in the size of dairy herds in some countries is causing a chronic surplus of male dairy calves, which have to be transported unweaned over very long distances to specialised fattening farms. The challenges encountered during the long-distance transport of unweaned dairy calves have not been resolved, and there is evidence from several non-governmental organisations that these vulnerable animals cannot be protected during such transport. Another overlooked aspect is the treatment of end-of-career animals. There is evidence that ‘downer’ cows (i.e. unfit for transport) may be transported to complacent abattoirs for slaughter. This is not only a violation of EU rules on animal transport and slaughter, but it also represents a threat to food safety.

This pilot project has four main aims: (1) to produce a clear set of good and best practice guidelines for the welfare of dairy heifers, cows and calves on the basis of robust animal-based indicators, as well as guidance on the correct treatment of end-of-career dairy cows; (2) to carry out a socio-economic impact assessment of shifting from transport of unweaned male dairy calves over long distances to local rearing and fattening; (3) to propose economic models to prevent the transport of end-of-career dairy cows; (4) to disseminate the outcomes in dairy-producing Member States and in those affected by the intra-EU trade of live unweaned calves. The project should bring together from the onset relevant stakeholders, including scientists, veterinarians and NGOs. The outcomes should strongly draw on the scientific and practical expertise available, including from best practices already implemented.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 17 04 77 08 — Pilot project — Best practices for transitioning to higher welfare cage-free egg production systems

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				750 000	375 000			750 000	187 500

Remarks:

Public acceptance of the use of 'enriched' cages for laying hens is decreasing, including in the light of scientific evidence showing that such cages severely restrict the ability of laying hens to engage in many normal behaviours. The pilot project will help egg producers meet market demand by providing practical guidance on how to transition to alternative higher-welfare cage-free systems. Major food businesses have already committed to sourcing only cage-free eggs by 2025 or earlier. In order to equip EU producers for such a transition and guarantee that they stay in business, support should be provided to them to convert conventional systems to higher-welfare alternative systems that are not only fit for purpose but also fit for the future. The project will look into the different systems for laying hens and identify those that are optimal for animal health and welfare. The recommendations, which should include economic aspects, will be supported by robust indicators to measure animal welfare outcomes. The first phase of the pilot project will collect best available practices for facilitating the transition towards higher-welfare rearing and keeping of laying hens in barn, free-range and organic systems. The second phase will consist of dissemination events in at least four countries where alternative rearing systems are still not predominant (e.g. Spain, Poland, Portugal and Belgium) and a final event at EU level with major industry and political stakeholders as well as representatives from all EU Member States. The resulting guidance document should be as practice-oriented as possible, and should be illustrated, for example, with case studies (including economic data) on relevant systems from at least four EU countries with the highest proportion of cage-free egg production (e.g. Germany, the Netherlands, France and Italy).

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 18 01 01 — Expenditure relating to officials and temporary staff in the 'Migration and Home affairs' policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	54 995 235		54 769 429		54 995 235		54 995 235		54 395 721

Item 18 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	3 830 516		3 746 141		3 830 516		3 830 516		3 830 516

Article 18 01 03 — Expenditure relating to information and communication technology equipment and services of the 'Migration and home affairs' policy area

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	3 607 559		3 449 494		3 607 559		3 607 559		3 607 559

Item 18 02 01 02 — Prevention and fight against cross-border organised crime and better management of security-related risks and crisis

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
191 297 628	190 358 325	165 897 628	190 358 325	191 297 628	190 358 325	191 297 628	190 358 325	191 297 628	190 358 325

Article 18 02 03 — European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
420 555 842	420 555 842	413 910 217	413 910 217	425 000 000	425 000 000	420 555 842	420 555 842	411 821 029	411 821 029

Article 18 02 04 — European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
139 964 760	139 964 760	139 964 760	139 964 760	179 804 760	179 804 760	139 964 760	139 964 760	152 964 760	152 964 760

Article 18 02 07 — European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice ('eu-LISA')

	Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
18 02 07	239 198 734	216 838 361	239 198 734	216 838 361	239 198 734	216 838 361	239 198 734	195 043 734	239 198 734	195 043 734
Reserve	1 003 000	1 003 000	1 003 000	1 003 000	1 003 000	1 003 000	1 003 000	1 003 000	1 003 000	1 003 000
Total	240 201 734	217 841 361	240 201 734	217 841 361	240 201 734	217 841 361	240 201 734	196 046 734	240 201 734	196 046 734

Item 18 02 77 04 — Preparatory action — EU-coordinated Darknet monitoring to counter criminal activities

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 000 000	1 000 000			2 000 000	500 000

Remarks:

In view of the alarming data contained in reports such as the European Drug Report 2019, there is an urgent need for stronger EU-wide coordinated action on monitoring the Darknet to counter rising threats from criminal activities such as trafficking and distribution of drugs and other illegal substances, illegal arms trading and human trafficking. Hard-to-track communication on the Darknet has become a key element of such illegal operations, especially cross border, and its effective monitoring remains a challenge for EU Member States' law enforcement authorities. Not all Member State law enforcement authorities possess adequate means to systematically monitor the Darknet or effectively coordinate joint EU actions and cooperation in this area, but examples of good practices and results do exist, albeit fragmented and uneven across the EU.

The action will develop software and hardware for efficient Darknet monitoring at EU level, which will be made available to the EU and the Member States' law enforcement authorities, together with training and assistance in coordination and capacity building for joint European Darknet monitoring.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 18 03 01 01 — Strengthening and developing the common European asylum system and enhancing solidarity and responsibility-sharing between the Member States

	Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
18 03 01 01	589 841 729	622 469 782	182 841 729	507 069 782	589 841 729	622 469 782	589 841 729	622 469 782	589 841 729	622 469 782
Reserve			400 000 000	115 400 000						
Total	589 841 729	622 469 782	582 841 729	622 469 782	589 841 729	622 469 782	589 841 729	622 469 782	589 841 729	622 469 782

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to contribute to strengthen and develop all aspects of the common European asylum system, including its external dimension and to enhance the solidarity and responsibility sharing between the Member States, in particular towards those most affected by migration and asylum flows, including through practical cooperation.

In the case of the common European asylum system, this appropriation is intended to cover actions relating to reception and asylum systems and actions enhancing the capacity of Member States to develop, monitor and evaluate their asylum policies and procedures. Particular attention should be paid to the specific situation of vulnerable women, especially women with children, and unaccompanied minors, especially young girls, and to the imperative of preventing religious, ethnic or gender-based violence in reception and asylum centres.

This appropriation is also intended to cover actions related to the resettlement, transfer of applicants for and beneficiaries of international protection and other ad hoc humanitarian admission

At the Commission's initiative, the appropriation may be used to finance transnational actions or actions of particular interest to the Union. These actions shall, in particular, support:

- the furthering of Union cooperation in implementing Union law and in sharing good practices in the field of asylum, notably on gender-sensitive reception centres, resettlement and transfer of applicants for and/or beneficiaries of international protection from one Member State to another including through networking and exchanging information, including arrival support and coordination activities to promote resettlement with the local communities that are to welcome resettled refugees,
- the setting-up of transnational cooperation networks and pilot projects, including innovative projects, based on transnational partnerships between bodies located in two or more Member States designed to stimulate innovation, and to facilitate exchanges of experience and good practice,
- studies and research on possible new forms of Union cooperation in the field of asylum, and relevant Union law, the dissemination and exchange of information on best practices and on all other aspects of asylum policies, including corporate communication on the political priorities of the Union,
- development and application by Member States of common statistical tools, methods and indicators for measuring policy developments in the field of asylum, including gender- and age-disaggregated data,
- preparatory, monitoring, administrative and technical support, development of an evaluation mechanism, required to implement the policies on asylum,
- cooperation with third countries on the basis of the Union's global approach to migration and mobility, in particular in the framework of the implementation mobility partnerships, regional protection programmes,
- awareness-raising, information and communication activities in relation to Union home affairs policies, priorities and achievements.

This appropriation shall also cover urgent and specific needs in the event of an emergency situation.

Assigned revenue received under Item 6 6 0 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Item, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

The corresponding amount is estimated at EUR 8 000 000.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 laying down general provisions on the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and on the instrument for

financial support for police cooperation, preventing and combating crime, and crisis management (OJ L 150, 20.5.2014, p. 112).

Regulation (EU) No 516/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 establishing the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, amending Council Decision 2008/381/EC and repealing Decisions No 573/2007/EC and No 575/2007/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Decision 2007/435/EC (OJ L 150, 20.5.2014, p. 168).

Council Decision (EU) 2015/1523 of 14 September 2015 establishing provisional measures in the area of international protection for the benefit of Italy and of Greece (OJ L 239, 15.9.2015, p. 146).

Council Decision (EU) 2015/1601 of 22 September 2015 establishing provisional measures in the area of international protection for the benefit of Italy and Greece (OJ L 248, 24.9.2015, p. 80).

Council Decision (EU) 2016/1754 of 29 September 2016 amending Decision (EU) 2015/1601 establishing provisional measures in the area of international protection for the benefit of Italy and Greece (OJ L 268, 1.10.2016, p. 82).

Reference acts

Commission Recommendation of 11 January 2016 for a voluntary humanitarian admission scheme with Turkey (C(2015) 9490 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 4 May 2016, establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national or a stateless person (COM(2016) 270 final).

Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council, submitted by the Commission on 13 July 2016, establishing a Union Resettlement Framework and amending Regulation (EU) No 516/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council (COM(2016) 468 final).

Item 18 03 01 02 — Supporting legal migration to the Union and promoting the effective integration of third-country nationals and enhancing fair and effective return strategies

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
356 348 555	327 634 462	328 748 555	327 634 462	356 348 555	327 634 462	356 348 555	327 634 462	356 348 555	327 634 462

Article 18 03 02 — European Asylum Support Office (EASO)

	Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
18 03 02	108 327 419	108 327 419	108 327 419	108 327 419	108 327 419	108 327 419	108 327 419	108 327 419	108 327 419	108 327 419
Reserve	24 685 306	24 685 306			24 685 306	24 685 306	24 685 306	24 685 306		
Total	133 012 725	133 012 725	108 327 419	108 327 419	133 012 725	133 012 725	133 012 725	133 012 725	108 327 419	108 327 419

Article 18 03 04 — EU Search and Rescue Fund

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				p.m.	p.m.				

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to support Member States in their obligations contracted in the field of human rights and under international maritime law to render assistance to persons in distress, notably in search and rescue situations.

Legal basis:

(Regulation No 516/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 establishing the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, Article 3(5) - Objectives).

Item 18 04 01 01 — Europe for citizens — Strengthening remembrance and enhancing capacity for civic participation at the Union level

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
25 959 000	25 000 000	24 829 000	25 000 000	28 554 900	26 297 950	25 959 000	25 000 000	26 959 000	26 000 000

Item 18 05 03 01 — Fostering secure European societies

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
195 504 220	168 549 256	176 754 220	168 549 256	195 504 220	168 549 256	195 504 220	168 549 256	185 504 220	165 549 256

Article 18 06 02 — European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
16 266 349	16 266 349	15 406 349	15 406 349	16 266 349	16 266 349	16 266 349	16 266 349	16 266 349	16 266 349

Item 19 01 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff — Headquarters

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
8 938 278		8 712 472		8 938 278		8 938 278		8 840 840	

Item 19 01 01 02 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff — Union delegations

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
2 019 579		2 019 579		2 019 579		2 019 579		1 998 766	

Item 19 01 02 01 — External personnel — Headquarters

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
2 383 911		2 299 536		2 383 911		2 383 911		2 383 911	

Item 19 01 03 01 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
586 330		428 265		586 330		586 330		586 330	

Article 19 04 01 — Improving the reliability of electoral processes, in particular by means of election observation missions

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
48 442 462	42 000 000	48 442 462	42 000 000	53 286 708	44 422 123	48 442 462	42 000 000	43 442 462	37 000 000

Article 19 05 01 — Cooperation with third countries to advance and promote Union and mutual interests

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
142 445 000	110 000 000	134 165 000	110 000 000	156 689 500	117 122 250	142 445 000	110 000 000	142 445 000	110 000 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover cooperation with third countries to advance and promote the Union and mutual interests under the Partnership Instrument, in particular with countries playing prominent role in the world affairs, including foreign policy, international economy and trade, multilateral forums, global governance and in addressing challenges of global concern or where the Union has significant interests. This cooperation includes measures supporting the Union's bilateral, regional or multilateral relationships in addressing challenges of global concern, the implementation of the

international dimension of the ‘Europe 2020’ strategy, trade and investment opportunities and public diplomacy and outreach activities.

This appropriation will enable support for EU Arctic policy related goals and also be used to fund cooperation between the EU's Arctic partners so as to build stronger linkages with the region.

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid projects or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 6 3 3 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Other assigned revenue received under Article 6 6 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 234/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing a Partnership Instrument for cooperation with third countries (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 77).

Item 19 06 77 01 — Preparatory action — StratCom Plus

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	4 000 000	2 000 000	p.m.	p.m.	4 000 000	1 000 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the preparatory action.

This preparatory action will test how to counter disinformation more systematically, effectively and efficiently. An important objective is to build Union capacity on fact-checking disinformation by upgrading the skills base of staff through training and coaching by appointed strategic communication experts, who will then report on their monitoring activities to headquarters, including the East StratCom task force.

Therefore, the preparatory action will finance: (a) training to raise awareness of disinformation campaigns among Union staff; (b) monitoring of disinformation campaigns both within and outside the Union; (c) data-based analysis of the challenge and ways forward throughout Europe; (d) better output for the product of that analysis, i.e. translation and dissemination in local languages. As disinformation campaigns target the Union and its partner countries alike, these activities can benefit staff, according to priorities to be set, in: (1) Commission Permanent Representations in Member States; (2) Union Delegations in Eastern Partnership countries; and (3) Union Delegations in Western Balkans countries.

The preparatory action will be jointly implemented by the Commission (Service for Foreign Policy Instruments) and the European External Action Service.

This action will allow the Union to raise awareness, to increase capacity to anticipate, analyse and respond, to be more efficient, to better reach out to Member States and to promote its policy objectives vis-à-vis its citizens as well as the Eastern Neighbourhood and the Western Balkans, including in their languages.

Building on its first two years of implementation, the preparatory action should continue to be adequately financed in 2020. As tackling fake news has become a priority for the European Union, including through

adoption of a communication on this issue, ensuring adequate funding to tackle the phenomenon at Union level is essential.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item 20 01 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff — Headquarters

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
58 595 375	58 369 569	58 595 375	58 595 375	57 956 616

Item 20 01 01 02 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff — Union delegations

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
16 762 507	16 762 507	16 762 507	16 762 507	16 589 761

Item 20 01 02 01 — External personnel — Headquarters

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
3 016 357	2 931 982	3 016 357	3 016 357	3 016 357

Item 20 01 02 02 — External personnel — Union delegations

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
8 584 577	8 584 577	8 584 577	8 584 577	8 584 577

Item 20 01 03 01 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
3 843 719	3 685 654	3 843 719	3 843 719	3 843 719

Item 21 01 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff — Headquarters

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
70 513 079	70 287 273	70 513 079	70 513 079	69 744 402

Item 21 01 01 02 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff — Union delegations

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
94 718 259	94 718 259	94 718 259	94 718 259	93 742 140

Item 21 01 02 01 — External personnel — Headquarters

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 516 985	2 432 610	2 516 985	2 516 985	2 516 985

Item 21 01 03 01 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
4 625 493	4 467 428	4 625 493	4 625 493	4 625 493

Item 21 01 04 05 — Support expenditure for the Instrument for Nuclear Safety Cooperation (INSC)

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
1 490 710	1 490 710	1 490 710	1 490 710	1 490 710

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover:

- expenditure on technical and administrative assistance not involving public authority tasks outsourced by the Commission under ad hoc service contracts for the mutual benefit of the Commission and beneficiaries,
- expenditure on external personnel at headquarters (contract staff, seconded national experts or agency staff) intended to take over the tasks previously conferred on dismantled technical assistance offices. Expenditure on external personnel at headquarters is limited to EUR 968 300. This estimate is based on a provisional annual unit cost per man-year, of which 93 % is accounted for by remuneration for the staff concerned and 7 % by the additional cost of training, meetings, missions, information technology and telecommunications relating to the external personnel financed under this item,
- expenditure on studies, meetings of experts, information systems and publications directly linked to the achievement of the objective of the programme.

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission, may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 6 3 3 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Other assigned revenue received under Articles 5 7 0, 5 7 3, 5 9 0 and Item 6 6 0 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Item, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

This appropriation covers support expenditure under Chapter 21 06.

Article 21 02 01 — Cooperation with Latin America

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
381 313 631	274 000 000	381 313 631	274 000 000	381 313 631	274 000 000	381 313 631	274 000 000	381 313 631	274 000 000

Remarks:

The purpose of development cooperation under this article is primarily its contribution to support the promotion of democracy, good governance, equality, respect for human rights and for the rule of law, and fostering sustainable development and economic integration, as well as to achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The Commission must continue to report annually on the benchmark used in the past for the assistance to developing countries that is to be allocated to social infrastructure and services, recognising that the Union contribution must be seen as part of overall donor support for the social sectors and that a degree of flexibility must be the norm. Moreover, the Commission will endeavour to ensure that a benchmark of 20 % of its assistance under the DCI will be dedicated to basic social services, with a focus on health and education, and to secondary education, this being an average across all geographical areas, and recognising that here too a degree of flexibility must be the norm, for example where exceptional assistance is involved. This appropriation is intended to cover cooperation schemes in developing countries, territories and regions in Latin America in order to:

- contribute to the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the region,

- support trade union, non-governmental organisations and local initiatives to monitor the impact to the investments on the national economy, particularly respect for labour, environmental, social and human rights standards,
- support gender equality, through supporting actions to combat harmful traditional practices such as child marriage, and women empowerment,
- promote and invest in civil society organisations, in particular women’s rights organisations, with the aim of supporting women’s and girls’ rights to sexual and reproductive health,
- foster the development of civil society,
- combat poverty and social exclusion and promote social cohesion,
- contribute to improve social standards with focus on education, including education and vocational training for employment, and health, and to the improvement of social protection schemes,
- promote a more favourable climate for economic expansion and enhanced productive sector, encourage the transfer of know-how, promote contact and collaboration between business players bi-regionally,
- promote private sector development, including a SME-friendly business climate via i.e. legal property rights, reducing unnecessary administrative burden, improving access to credit and improving associations of small and medium-sized enterprises,
- support efforts towards food security and combat malnutrition,
- support regional integration; in Central America, foster the region’s development via enhanced benefits derived from the EU-Central America association agreement,
- promote the sustainable use of natural resources, including water, and the combating of climate change (mitigation and adaptation),
- support efforts for improving good governance and help consolidate democracy, human rights and the rule of law,
- promote policy reform particularly in the area of justice and security and support related actions to enhance development of countries and regions,
- contribute to projects focusing on support for refugees from Venezuela who have fled to neighbouring countries.

Where assistance is delivered through budget support, the Commission will support efforts of partner countries to develop parliamentary oversight and audit capacities and transparency.

Appropriations under this article are subject to evaluations that will include aspects of input activities and chain of results (output, outcome, impact). The findings of the evaluations will be used in the formulation of subsequent measures financed with these appropriations.

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission, may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 6 3 3 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter and may be complemented by contributions for Union trust funds.

Other assigned revenue received under Article 5 2 0, 5 2 1, 5 2 2, 5 7 0, 6 4 1, 9 0 0 and Item 6 6 0 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 233/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing a financing instrument for development cooperation for the period 2014-2020 (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 44).

Article 21 02 02 — Cooperation with Asia

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
821 480 778	656 000 000	792 480 778	656 000 000	821 480 778	656 000 000	821 480 778	656 000 000	821 480 778	656 000 000

Article 21 02 03 — Cooperation with Central Asia

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
163 710 652	102 000 000	151 210 652	102 000 000	163 710 652	102 000 000	163 710 652	102 000 000	163 710 652	102 000 000

Article 21 02 04 — Cooperation with the Middle East

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
243 843 466	70 000 000	223 843 466	70 000 000	243 843 466	70 000 000	243 843 466	70 000 000	243 843 466	70 000 000

Item 21 02 07 01 — Environment and climate change

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
216 473 403	157 900 000	216 473 403	157 900 000	261 473 403	180 400 000	216 473 403	157 900 000	222 473 403	163 900 000

Item 21 02 07 02 — Sustainable energy

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
96 210 401	50 250 000	96 210 401	50 250 000	136 210 401	70 250 000	96 210 401	50 250 000	110 210 401	64 250 000

Item 21 02 07 03 — Human development

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
200 438 336	257 236 000	200 438 336	247 236 000	210 438 336	262 236 000	200 438 336	257 236 000	200 438 336	257 236 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to provide financial support to actions in developing countries under the 'Human development subtheme', covering health, education, children's rights, culture, gender issues and other aspects of human development, of the 'Global Public Goods and Challenges' programme. It should primarily benefit the poorest sections of the populations in the countries it covers, on the basis of the 'no one left behind' principle.

The health component will support the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 3 (Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages), namely universal access to good quality essential health services, child and maternal health, sexual and reproductive health and rights, access to family planning, eradicating polio, protection against and treatment of HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and other poverty-related and neglected diseases, and access to psychological support for victims of violence.

The appropriation can also be used for activities in support of children and young people, especially those which seek to ensure full enjoyment of rights and to empower young people more generally, focusing on young girls in particular: health and education (including vocational education and training and

comprehensive sexuality education); non-discrimination; employment, skills, social protection and social inclusion; growth, jobs and private sector engagement and culture.

Equal access and quality of education will be supported as part of the implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 4 (Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunity for all), including for migrants, women and girls, children with disabilities and people from countries suffering from protracted crises, with an emphasis on countries furthest from achieving global targets.

Following the Commission's Joint Communication to the European Parliament and the Council 'Towards an EU strategy on international cultural relations' (JOIN(2016) 29 final), culture will be supported as engine for development and catalyst for social inclusion, societal resilience and pluralism, peaceful coexistence and mutual respect.

Gender equality issues will be supported to back achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 5 (Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls).

Measures aimed to help governments to enhance mobilisation and effective use of domestic revenue for sustainable human development will also be supported.

In relation to gender equality, programmes to promote women's and girls' economic and social empowerment will be supported.

Addressing sexual and gender-based violence and supporting victims will also be priorities. Helping to eradicate gender-biased sex selection practices will also be among the objectives.

In line with the Union's guidelines on the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, the appropriation can also be used to empower young people more generally, focusing on young women in particular: The appropriation can also be used for activities in support of health and education; non-discrimination; employment, skills, social protection and social inclusion; growth, jobs and private sector engagement and culture.

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission, may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 6 3 3 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Where assistance is delivered via budget support, the Commission will support efforts of partner countries to develop parliamentary oversight, audit capacities and transparency.

Other assigned revenue received under Articles 5 2 0, 5 2 1, 5 2 2, 5 7 0, 6 4 1, 9 0 0 and Item 6 6 0 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Item, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 233/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing a financing instrument for development cooperation for the period 2014-2020 (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 44).

Item 21 02 07 04 — Food and nutrition security and sustainable agriculture

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
232 508 470	185 000 000	229 008 470	175 000 000	242 508 470	190 000 000	232 508 470	185 000 000	232 508 470	185 000 000

Item 21 02 08 01 — Civil society in development

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
223 492 438	195 000 000	218 492 438	195 000 000	223 492 438	195 000 000	223 492 438	195 000 000	223 492 438	195 000 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover support for initiatives to strengthen civil society organisations in partner countries and in the Union and beneficiaries eligible under Regulation (EU) No 231/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing an Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II) (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 11) when referring to development education and awareness raising (DEAR) activities. The initiatives to be financed will be primarily carried out by civil society organisations. Where appropriate, in order to ensure their effectiveness, initiatives may be carried out by other actors for the benefit of the civil society organisations, so as to contribute to:

- an inclusive and empowered society, including from a gender equality perspective, in partner countries through strengthened civil society organisations,
- an increased capacity of European and southern civil society networks, platforms and alliances to ensure a substantive and continued policy dialogue in the field of development and to promote democratic governance and empowerment of women, if possible, through implementing gender budgeting in all policy areas,
- an increased level of awareness of Union citizens regarding development issues and mobilising active public support for poverty reduction and sustainable development strategies in partner countries.

Possible activities to be supported by this programme:

- interventions in partner countries which support vulnerable and marginalised groups by providing basic services delivered through civil society organisations, including providing comprehensive sex education and sexual and reproductive health care services, enabling CSOs to provide information and legal abortion services and to advocate for safe and legal abortion care in their country,
- capacity development of the targeted actors complementary to support granted in the framework of the national programme, actions aiming at:
 - creating enabling environment for citizen participation and civil society action and the capacity of civil society organisations to participate effectively in policy formulation and in the monitoring of policy implementation processes,
 - facilitating an improved dialogue and better interaction between civil society organisations, local authorities, the State and other development actors in the context of development, where it is important that a range of civil society organisations and groups will be involved,
- coordination, capacity development and institutional strengthening of civil society networks, within their organisations and between different types of stakeholders active in the European public debate on development as well as coordination, capacity development and institutional strengthening of southern networks of civil society organisations and umbrella organisations,
- raising public awareness of development issues, empowering people to become active and responsible citizens and promoting formal and informal education for development in the Union and in candidate countries and potential candidates, to anchor development policy in European societies, to mobilise greater public support for action against poverty and for more equitable relations between developed

and developing countries, to raise awareness of the issues and difficulties facing developing countries and their peoples, and to promote the right to a process of development in which all human rights and fundamental freedoms can be fully realised and the social dimension of globalisation,

- intervening and countering the impact of the global gag rule by significantly increasing funding for sexual and reproductive health and rights organisations, in particular funding explicitly intended to ensure access to birth control and safe and legal abortion, using both national and the Union development funding, in order to fill the funding gap left after the Trump Administration’s moves to cease funding for development aid organisations that provide sexual and reproductive health and rights services,
- in line with the principle of leaving no-one behind, give special attention to those who are in disadvantaged, vulnerable and marginalised situations, including children, older persons with disabilities, LGBTI persons and indigenous peoples. This will include measures to better target, protect and support them so as to offer them the same opportunities and ensure non-discrimination.

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission, may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 633 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Other assigned revenue received under Articles 520, 521, 522, 570, 641, 900 and Item 6600 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Item, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 233/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing a financing instrument for development cooperation for the period 2014-2020 (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 44).

Article 21 02 20 — Erasmus+ — Contribution from the development cooperation instrument (DCI)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
99 423 948	103 256 481	99 423 948	103 256 481	103 923 948	105 506 481	99 423 948	103 256 481	99 423 948	103 256 481

Article 21 04 01 — Enhancing the respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms and supporting democratic reforms

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
141 214 245	125 000 000	136 618 245	125 000 000	141 214 245	125 000 000	141 214 245	125 000 000	141 214 245	125 000 000

Article 21 05 01 — Global and trans-regional threats and emerging threats

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
77 250 000	62 000 000	77 250 000	62 000 000	77 250 000	62 000 000	77 250 000	62 000 000	77 250 000	62 000 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the assistance in addressing global and trans-regional threats and emerging threats, defined in Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 230/2014 establishing an instrument contributing to stability and peace.

It is intended to cover actions aiming to help safeguard countries and populations against risks either of an intentional, accidental or natural origin. This may, inter alia, include:

- strengthening the capacity of the competent civilian authorities involved in the development and enforcement of effective control of the trafficking in chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear materials or agents (including the equipment for their production, or delivery or effective border controls), including through the installation of modern logistical evaluation and control equipment. The actions relate to natural and industrial disasters as well as criminal activities,
- the development of the legal framework and institutional capacities for the establishment and enforcement of effective export controls on dual-use goods, including measures of regional cooperation,
- the development of effective civilian disaster preparedness, emergency planning, crisis response, and capabilities for clean-up measures in relation to possible major environmental incidents in this field,
- the promotion of civilian research activities as an alternative to defence-related research, and support for the retraining and alternative employment of scientists and engineers having formerly been employed in weapons-related areas,
- support for measures to enhance safety practice related to civilian facilities where sensitive chemical, biological, radiological or nuclear materials or agents are stored, or are handled in the context of civilian research programmes,
- support, within the framework of Union cooperation policies and their objectives, for the establishment of civil infrastructure and relevant civilian studies necessary for the dismantlement, remediation or conversion of weapons-related facilities and sites where these are declared as no longer belonging to a defence programme,

Other measures in the field of global and trans-regional threats will cover:

- strengthening the capacity of law enforcement and judicial and civil authorities involved in the fight against terrorism,
- countering radicalisation, violent extremism and organised crime, including illicit trafficking in human beings, drugs, firearms and explosive materials, cybercrime, falsified medicine and in the effective control of illegal trade and transit; exchanging expertise and best practices on countering radicalisation and violent extremism with partner countries in regions where extremism is on the rise, such as South Asia; also addressing global and trans-regional effects of climate change with a potentially destabilising impact, and including the promotion of biosafety and biosecurity of facilities handling dangerous microbes,
- support for measures to address threats to international transport, and critical infrastructure, including passenger and freight traffic, energy operations and energy distribution, electronic information and communication networks,
- ensuring an adequate response to major threats to public health, such as pandemics with a potential transnational impact.

Such measures may be adopted under this instrument in the context of stable conditions, where they aim to address specific global and trans-regional threats having a destabilising effect, and only to the extent that an adequate and effective response cannot be provided under related Union instruments for external assistance.

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission, may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 6 3 3 of the statement

of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Other assigned revenue received under Articles 5 2 0, 5 2 1, 5 2 2, 5 7 0, 9 0 0 and Item 6 6 0 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis

Regulation (EU) No 230/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing an instrument contributing to stability and peace (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 1).

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

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
31 394 290	23 700 000	31 394 290	23 700 000	33 000 000	24 502 855	31 394 290	23 700 000	31 394 290	23 700 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the financing of the promotion of an effective nuclear safety and nuclear security culture at all levels, in particular through:

- continuous support for regulatory bodies, technical support organisations, and the reinforcement of the regulatory framework, notably concerning licensing activities in order to establish strong independent regulatory oversight,
- support for the safe transport, treatment and disposal of spent nuclear fuel and radioactive waste both from nuclear power plant and from other (orphan) sources, (medical applications, uranium mining),
- the development and implementation of strategies for decommissioning existing installations and the remediation of former nuclear sites,
- the promotion of effective regulatory frameworks, procedures and systems to ensure adequate protection against ionising radiations from radioactive materials, in particular from high activity radioactive sources, and their safe disposal,
- the financing of stress tests based on the *acquis*,
- the establishment of the necessary regulatory framework and methodologies for the implementation of nuclear safeguards, including for the proper accounting and control of fissile materials at State and operators level,
- the establishment of effective arrangements for the prevention of accidents with radiological consequences as well as the mitigation of such consequences should they occur, and for emergency planning, preparedness and response, civil protection and rehabilitation measures,
- measures to promote international cooperation (including in the framework of relevant international organisations, notably IAEA) in the abovementioned fields, including the implementation and monitoring of international conventions and treaties, exchange of information and training and research,
- the enhancement of emergency preparedness in case of nuclear accidents, as well as training and tutoring inter alia to increase the capacities of the regulators,
- focusing special attention on the situation of nuclear reactors on EU borders.

This appropriation is intended also to fund health and environmental projects as regards the consequences of the Chernobyl accident, which affect human health and the environment, especially in Ukraine and Belarus.

Priority will be given to address the needs in the countries being part of the European Neighbourhood Policy.

Relevant work previously carried out under the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA) was taken over by the Instrument for Nuclear Safety Cooperation in order to ensure a comprehensive approach.

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission, may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 6 3 3 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Other assigned revenue received under Articles 520, 521, 522, 570, 900 and Items 6191, 6600 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation

Legal basis:

Council Regulation (Euratom) No 237/2014 of 13 December 2013 establishing an Instrument for Nuclear Safety Cooperation (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 109).

Article 21 07 01 — Cooperation with Greenland

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 220 000	33 104 000	33 220 000	33 104 000	33 220 000	33 104 000	33 220 000	33 104 000	33 220 000	33 104 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover:

- assistance to Greenland in addressing its major challenges in particular the sustainable diversification of the economy, the need to increase the skills of its labour force, including scientists, and the need to improve the Greenlandic information systems in the field of information and communication technologies,
- reinforcement of the capacity of the Greenlandic administration to better formulate and implement national policies in particular in new areas of mutual interest.

The cooperation with Greenland should be consistent with and contribute to the EU Policy for the Arctic

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission, may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 6 3 3 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Other assigned revenue received under Articles 5 2 0, 5 2 1, 5 2 2, 5 7 0, 9 0 0 and Items 6 1 9 1, 6 6 0 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Council Decision 2014/137/EU of 14 March 2014 on relations between the European Union on the one hand, and Greenland and the Kingdom of Denmark on the other (OJ L 76, 15.3.2014, p. 1).

Reference acts:

Council Decision 2013/755/EU of 25 November 2013 on the association of the overseas countries and territories with the European Union ('Overseas Association Decision') (OJ L 344, 19.12.2013, p. 1).

Article 21 08 01 — Evaluation of the results of Union aid and follow-up and audit measures

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
32 644 000	30 498 459	27 356 000	30 498 459	32 644 000	30 498 459	32 644 000	30 498 459	32 644 000	30 498 459

Item 22 01 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff — Headquarters

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
37 987 680		37 761 874		37 987 680		37 987 680		37 573 569	

Item 22 01 01 02 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff — Union delegations

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
25 648 655		25 648 655		25 648 655		25 648 655		25 384 333	

Item 22 01 02 01 — External personnel — Headquarters

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
2 105 136		2 020 761		2 105 136		2 105 136		2 105 136	

Item 22 01 03 01 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
2 491 903		2 333 838		2 491 903		2 491 903		2 491 903	

Item 22 02 01 01 — Support for political reforms and related progressive alignment with the Union *acquis*

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
189 267 000	212 302 068	189 267 000	212 302 068	208 193 700	221 765 418	189 267 000	212 302 068	189 267 000	212 302 068

Item 22 02 01 02 — Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union *acquis*

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
396 900 044	199 087 189	396 900 044	199 087 189	401 900 044	201 587 189	396 900 044	199 087 189	396 900 044	199 087 189

Item 22 02 03 01 — Support for political reforms and related progressive alignment with the Union *acquis*

	Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
22 02 03 01	160 000 000	58 772 300	134 000 000	58 772 300	29 000 000	58 772 300	160 000 000	58 772 300	150 000 000	48 772 300
Reserve					100 000 000					
Total	160 000 000	58 772 300	134 000 000	58 772 300	129 000 000	58 772 300	160 000 000	58 772 300	150 000 000	48 772 300

Remarks:

Under the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II), this appropriation will address the following specific objectives in Turkey:

- support for political reforms,
- strengthening of the ability of the beneficiaries listed in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 231/2014 at all levels to fulfil the obligations stemming from Union membership in the area of political reforms by supporting progressive alignment with and adoption, implementation and enforcement of the Union *acquis*.

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 6 3 3 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Other assigned revenue received under Items 5 2 2 0 and 6 6 0 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Item, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 231/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing an Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II) (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 11), and in particular points (a) and (c) of Article 2(1) thereof.

Item 22 02 03 02 — Support for economic, social and territorial development and related progressive alignment with the Union *acquis*

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
65 000 000	463 786 099	60 000 000	463 786 099	60 000 000	463 786 099	65 000 000	463 786 099	p.m.	398 786 099

Remarks:

Under the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II), this appropriation will address the following specific objectives in Turkey:

- providing support for economic, social and territorial development, with a view to achieving smart, sustainable and inclusive growth,
- strengthening the ability of the beneficiaries listed in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 231/2014 at all levels to fulfil the obligations stemming from Union membership in the area of economic, social and territorial development by supporting progressive alignment with and adoption, implementation and enforcement of the Union *acquis*, including preparation for management of Union Structural Funds, the Cohesion Fund and the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development.

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 6 3 3 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The corresponding amount of payment appropriations is estimated at EUR 134 000 000 for

2020. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Any appropriations used in the context of support to refugees and host communities, need to directly benefit refugees and/or the activities of civil society organisations working in this field.

Other assigned revenue received under Items 5 2 2 0 and 6 6 0 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Item, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 231/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing an Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II) (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 11), and in particular points (b) and (c) of Article 2(1) thereof.

Item 22 02 04 02 — Erasmus+ — Contribution from the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
32 365 000	25 325 250	32 365 000	25 325 250	35 365 000	26 825 250	32 365 000	25 325 250	32 365 000	25 325 250

Item 22 04 01 01 — Mediterranean countries — Human rights, good governance and mobility

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
130 732 660	99 184 805	130 732 660	99 184 805	137 269 293	102 453 122	130 732 660	99 184 805	130 732 660	99 184 805

Item 22 04 01 02 — Mediterranean countries — Poverty reduction and sustainable development

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
654 227 065	470 341 793	654 227 065	470 341 793	686 938 419	486 697 470	654 227 065	470 341 793	654 227 065	470 341 793

Item 22 04 01 03 — Mediterranean countries — Confidence building, security and the prevention and settlement of conflicts

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
401 220 115	193 963 018	386 220 115	188 963 018	421 281 120	203 993 521	401 220 115	193 963 018	421 220 115	193 963 018

Item 22 04 02 01 — Eastern Partnership — Human rights, good governance and mobility

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
251 379 012	142 497 911	251 379 012	142 497 911	263 947 963	148 782 387	251 379 012	142 497 911	252 879 012	142 497 911

Item 22 04 02 02 — Eastern Partnership — Poverty reduction and sustainable development

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
385 828 623	268 456 920	385 828 623	268 456 920	424 411 485	287 748 351	385 828 623	268 456 920	389 328 623	268 456 920

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended in particular to cover bilateral and multi-country cooperation actions promoting results in, inter alia, the following areas:

- progressive integration into the Union internal market and enhanced sector and cross-sectoral cooperation including through:
 - legislative approximation and regulatory convergence towards Union and other relevant international standards,
 - institution building,

- equal access to quality healthcare services and education,
- investments,
- sustainable and inclusive development in all aspects, including skills development and training for young people, social inclusion, including the most vulnerable children, including those with disabilities,
- poverty reduction, including through private-sector development,
- promotion of internal economic, social and territorial cohesion,
- rural development,
- climate action,
- disaster resilience.

An adequate level of appropriations should be reserved for the support of civil society organisations.

Special emphasis must be placed on ensuring that all regions and provinces fully benefit from the funding.

Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 633 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Other assigned revenue received under Items 5220 and 6600 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Item, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 232/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 establishing a European Neighbourhood Instrument (OJ L 77, 15.3.2014, p. 27).

Item 22 04 02 03 — Eastern Partnership — Confidence building, security and the prevention and settlement of conflicts

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
12 708 666	2 488 783	12 708 666	2 488 783	13 344 099	2 806 500	12 708 666	2 488 783	12 708 666	2 488 783

Item 22 04 03 03 — Support to other multi-country cooperation in the neighbourhood — Umbrella programme

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
223 300 000	145 229 012	215 300 000	140 229 012	223 300 000	145 229 012	223 300 000	145 229 012	223 300 000	145 229 012

Article 22 04 20 — Erasmus+ — Contribution from the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
88 242 000	83 635 984	88 242 000	83 635 984	90 242 000	84 635 984	88 242 000	83 635 984	88 242 000	83 635 984

Article 23 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Humanitarian aid and civil protection’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
32 525 399	32 299 593	32 525 399	32 525 399	32 170 833

Item 23 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
6 370 953	6 286 578	6 370 953	6 370 953	6 370 953

Article 23 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Humanitarian aid and civil protection’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 133 590	1 975 525	2 133 590	2 133 590	2 133 590

Article 23 02 01 — Delivery of rapid, effective and needs-based humanitarian aid and food assistance

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
1 042 234 779	1 144 000 000	992 234 779	1 144 000 000	1 042 234 779	1 144 000 000	1 042 234 779	1 144 000 000	1 042 234 779	1 144 000 000

Article 23 02 02 — Disaster prevention, disaster risk reduction and preparedness

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
50 000 000	53 700 000	50 000 000	53 700 000	70 000 000	63 700 000	50 000 000	53 700 000	50 000 000	53 700 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the financing of operations to prepare for or prevent disasters or comparable emergencies and ensure the development of early warning systems for all types of natural disaster (floods, cyclones, volcanic eruptions, forest fires, etc.), including the purchase and transport of any equipment required for that purpose.

This appropriation may also cover any other costs directly linked to the implementation of disaster preparedness operations, such as:

- the financing of scientific studies on the prevention of disasters,
- the reform of long-established practices that increase the risk of disasters happening,
- the constitution of emergency stocks of goods and equipment for use in connection with humanitarian aid operations,
- the technical assistance necessary for the preparation and implementation of disaster preparedness projects, in particular expenditure incurred covering the cost of contracts of individual experts in the field and the infrastructure and logistics costs, covered by imprest accounts and expenditure authorisations, of the Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection units deployed throughout the world. Any income from additional financial contributions from Member States and contributions from third countries or from bodies other than those set up under the TFEU or the Euratom Treaty, to certain external aid actions or programmes financed by the Union and managed by the Commission may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations. Such contributions under Article 6 3 3 of the statement of revenue constitute assigned revenue under points (a)(ii) and (e) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. The amounts entered on the line for administrative support expenditure will be determined, without prejudice to Article 235(5) of the Financial Regulation, by the contribution agreement for each operational programme with an average not exceeding 4 % of the contributions for the corresponding programme for each chapter.

Other assigned revenue received under Item 6 6 0 0 of the statement of revenue may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/96 of 20 June 1996 concerning humanitarian aid (OJ L 163, 2.7.1996, p. 1).

Item 23 03 01 01 — Disaster prevention and preparedness within the Union

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
137 788 000	63 000 000	137 788 000	63 000 000	151 566 800	69 889 400	137 788 000	63 000 000	122 788 000	48 000 000

Article 23 04 01 — EU Aid Volunteers initiative — Strengthening the Union's capacity to respond to humanitarian crises

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
19 355 000	17 584 960	18 281 000	17 584 960	19 355 000	17 584 960	19 355 000	17 584 960	19 355 000	17 584 960

Article 24 01 07 — European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	60 925 000		60 925 000		60 925 000		60 925 000		60 473 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure relating to the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), including for OLAF staff posted in Union delegations, the objective of which is to combat fraud within an interinstitutional framework.

Legal basis:

Commission Decision 1999/352/EC, ECSC, Euratom of 28 April 1999 establishing the European Anti-fraud Office (OLAF) (OJ L 136, 31.5.1999, p. 20), and in particular Article 4 and Article 6(3) thereof.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 883/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 September 2013 concerning investigations conducted by the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1073/1999 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (Euratom) No 1074/1999 (OJ L 248, 18.9.2013, p. 1).

Item 25 01 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	199 000 820		198 775 014		199 000 820		199 000 820		196 831 474

Item 25 01 01 03 — Salaries, allowances and payments of Members of the institution

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	10 946 000		10 946 000		10 946 000		10 946 000		10 838 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover:

- the basic salaries of Members of the Commission,
- the residence allowances of Members of the Commission,
- the family allowances of Members of the Commission, comprising:
 - household allowance,

- dependent child allowance,
- education allowance,
- the representation allowances of Members of the Commission,
- the employer’s contribution towards insurance against occupational diseases and accidents for Members of the Commission,
- the employer’s contribution towards sickness insurance for former Members of the Commission,
- birth grants,
- in the event of the death of a Member of the Commission:
 - the deceased’s full remuneration until the end of the third month following that in which the death occurred,
 - the costs of transporting the body to the deceased’s place of origin,
- the cost of weightings applied to the emoluments,
- the cost of the weighting applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,
- the cost of any updates to remuneration during the financial year.

This appropriation is also intended to take into account any appropriation which may be required to cover:

- travel expenses due to Members of the Commission (including their families) on taking up duty or leaving the institution,
- installation and resettlement allowances due to Members of the Commission on taking up duty or leaving the institution,
- removal expenses due to Members of the Commission on taking up duty or leaving the institution.

Legal basis:

Regulation No 422/67/EEC, No 5/67/Euratom of the Council of 25 July 1967 determining the emoluments of the President and Members of the Commission, of the President, Judges, Advocates-General and Registrar of the Court of Justice, of the President, Members and Registrar of the General Court and of the President, Members and Registrar of the European Union Civil Service Tribunal (OJ 187, 8.8.1967, p. 1), and in particular Articles 2, 3, 4, 4a, 4b, 5, 11 and 14 thereof.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Council Regulation (EU) No 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1).

Item 25 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
10 731 951	10 647 576	10 731 951	10 731 951	10 731 951

Item 25 01 02 11 — Other management expenditure

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
17 405 468	17 405 468	22 905 468	17 405 468	17 405 468

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to finance all the costs relating to the Conference on European Democracy/the Future of Europe.

Article 25 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Commission’s policy coordination and legal advice’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
13 053 988	12 895 923	13 053 988	13 053 988	13 053 988

Article 26 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Commission’s administration’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
174 668 842	174 443 036	174 668 842	174 668 842	172 764 744

Item 26 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
8 640 277	8 555 902	8 640 277	8 640 277	8 640 277

Article 26 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Commission’s administration’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
11 457 868	11 299 803	11 457 868	11 457 868	11 457 868

Article 26 01 09 — Publications Office

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
104 242 000	102 542 000	104 242 000	104 242 000	103 592 000

Article 26 01 20 — European Personnel Selection Office

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
26 328 000	26 328 000	26 328 000	26 328 000	26 212 000

Remarks:

The amount entered corresponds to the appropriations for the European Personnel Selection Office set out in detail in the specific annex to this section.

The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 250 000.

Legal basis:

Decision 2002/620/EC of the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission, the Court of Justice, the Court of Auditors, the Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Ombudsman of 25 July 2002 establishing a European Communities Personnel Selection Office (OJ L 197, 26.7.2002, p. 53).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1), and in particular Articles 64 to 67 thereof.

Article 26 01 21 — Office for the Administration and Payment of Individual Entitlements

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
41 876 000	41 576 000	41 876 000	41 876 000	41 483 000

Item 26 01 22 01 — Office for Infrastructure and Logistics in Brussels

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
84 123 000	83 423 000	84 123 000	84 123 000	83 519 000

Item 26 01 22 02 — Acquisition and renting of buildings in Brussels

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
212 404 000	210 904 000	212 404 000	212 404 000	212 404 000

Item 26 01 22 03 — Expenditure related to buildings in Brussels

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
77 681 000	76 681 000	77 681 000	77 681 000	77 681 000

Item 26 01 23 01 — Office for Infrastructure and Logistics in Luxembourg

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
26 218 000	26 018 000	26 218 000	26 218 000	26 067 000

Article 26 01 40 — Security and monitoring

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
14 436 000	13 436 000	14 436 000	14 436 000	14 436 000

Article 26 02 01 — Procedures for awarding and advertising public supply, works and service contracts

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
7 200 000	7 200 000	7 200 000	7 200 000	7 200 000	7 200 000	7 200 000	7 200 000	7 000 000	7 000 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the costs of:

- collecting, processing, publishing and disseminating notices of public contracts put up for tender in the Union and third countries on various media, and of incorporating them in the eProcurement services offered by the institutions to firms and contracting authorities. This includes the cost of translating the notices of public contracts published by Union institutions,
- promoting the use of new techniques for collecting and disseminating notices of public contracts by electronic means,
- developing and exploiting eProcurement services for the various contract award stages.

Legal basis:

Council Regulation (EEC) No 2137/85 of 25 July 1985 on the European Economic Interest Grouping (EEIG) (OJ L 199, 31.7.1985, p. 1).

Council Directive 92/13/EEC of 25 February 1992 coordinating the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the application of Community rules on the procurement procedures of entities operating in the water, energy, transport and telecommunications sectors (OJ L 76, 23.3.1992, p. 14).

Decision 94/1/EC, ECSC of the Council and of the Commission of 13 December 1993 on the conclusion of the Agreement on the European Economic Area between the European Communities, their Member States and the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland, the Republic of Iceland, the Principality of Liechtenstein, the Kingdom of Norway, the Kingdom of Sweden and the Swiss Confederation (OJ L 1, 3.1.1994, p. 1).

Council Decision 94/800/EC of 22 December 1994 concerning the conclusion on behalf of the European Community, as regards matters within its competence, of the agreements reached in the Uruguay Round multilateral negotiations (1986-1994) (OJ L 336, 23.12.1994, p. 1), in particular as concerns the Agreement on Government Procurement.

Council Regulation (EC) No 2157/2001 of 8 October 2001 on the Statute for a European company (SE) (OJ L 294, 10.11.2001, p. 1).

Decision 2002/309/EC, Euratom of the Council and of the Commission as regards the Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation, of 4 April 2002 on the conclusion of seven Agreements with the Swiss Confederation (OJ L 114, 30.4.2002, p. 1), in particular as concerns the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on Certain Aspects of Government Procurement.

Council Regulation (EC) No 1435/2003 of 22 July 2003 on the Statute for a European Cooperative Society (SCE) (OJ L 207, 18.8.2003, p. 1).

Commission Regulation (EC) No 718/2007 of 12 June 2007 implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1085/2006 establishing an instrument for pre-accession assistance (IPA) (OJ L 170, 29.6.2007, p. 1).

Decision 2007/497/EC of the European Central Bank of 3 July 2007 laying down the Rules on Procurement (ECB/2007/5) (OJ L 184, 14.7.2007, p. 34).

Regulation (EC) No 1370/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2007 on public passenger transport services by rail and by road and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) Nos 1191/69 and 1107/70 (OJ L 315, 3.12.2007, p. 1).

Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 September 2008 on common rules for the operation of air services in the Community (OJ L 293, 31.10.2008, p. 3).

Directive 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the coordination of procedures for the award of certain works contracts, supply contracts and service contracts by contracting authorities or entities in the fields of defence and security, and amending Directives 2004/17/EC and 2004/18/EC (OJ L 216, 20.8.2009, p. 76).

Directive 2014/23/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the award of concession contracts (OJ L 94, 28.3.2014, p. 1).

Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on public procurement and repealing Directive 2004/18/EC (OJ L 94, 28.3.2014, p. 65).

Directive 2014/25/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on procurement by entities operating in the water, energy, transport and postal services sectors and repealing Directive 2004/17/EC (OJ L 94, 28.3.2014, p. 243).

Association Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Ukraine, of the other part (OJ L 161, 29.5.2014, p. 3).

Council Decision 2014/668/EU of 23 June 2014 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and Ukraine, of the other part, as regards Title III (with the exception of the provisions relating to the treatment of third-country nationals legally employed as workers in the territory of the other Party) and Titles IV, V, VI and VII thereof, as well as the related Annexes and Protocols (OJ L 278, 20.9.2014, p. 1).

Council Regulation (EU) 2015/323 of 2 March 2015 on the financial regulation applicable to the 11th European Development Fund (OJ L 58, 3.3.2015, p. 17).

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Reference acts:

Council Regulation No 1 of 15 April 1958 determining the languages to be used by the European Economic Community (OJ 17, 6.10.1958, p. 385).

Council Decision of 15 September 1958 creating the Official Journal of the European Communities (OJ 17, 6.10.1958, p. 390).

Regulation (EC) No 2195/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 November 2002 on the Common Procurement Vocabulary (CPV) (OJ L 340, 16.12.2002, p. 1).

Decision 2009/496/EC, Euratom of the European Parliament, the European Council, the Council, the Commission, the Court of Justice of the European Union, the Court of Auditors, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions of 26 June 2009 on the organisation and operation of the Publications Office of the European Union (OJ L 168, 30.6.2009, p. 41).

Commission Regulation (EU) No 1251/2011 of 30 November 2011 amending Directives 2004/17/EC, 2004/18/EC and 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council in respect of their application thresholds for the procedures for the award of contract (OJ L 319, 2.12.2011, p. 43).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1986 of 11 November 2015 establishing standard forms for the publication of notices in the field of public procurement and repealing Implementing Regulation (EU) No 842/2011 (OJ L 296, 12.11.2015, p. 1).

Note of DG GROW of 7 September 2016 concerning the publication of announcements of preliminary market consultations in Prior Information Notices.

Notes of 12 September 2016 and 21 September 2016 concerning the publication of European Stability Mechanism's (ESM) procurement notices in OJ S.

Article 27 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the 'Budget' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
50 898 526	50 672 720	50 898 526	50 898 526	50 343 671

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Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
5 619 770	5 535 395	5 619 770	5 619 770	5 619 770

Item 27 01 02 09 — External personnel — Non-decentralised management

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 720 348	2 635 973	2 720 348	2 720 348	1 524 348

Article 27 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the 'Budget' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
3 338 825	3 180 760	3 338 825	3 338 825	3 338 825

Article 28 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the 'Audit' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
18 124 841	17 899 035	18 124 841	18 124 841	17 927 259

Item 28 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
644 139	559 764	644 139	644 139	644 139

Article 28 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the 'Audit' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
1 188 947	1 030 882	1 188 947	1 188 947	1 188 947

Article 29 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Statistics’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
72 002 792	71 776 986	72 002 792	72 002 792	71 217 876

Item 29 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
5 671 989	5 587 614	5 671 989	5 671 989	5 671 989

Article 29 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Statistics’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
4 723 214	4 565 149	4 723 214	4 723 214	4 723 214

Article 29 02 01 — Providing quality statistical information, implementing new methods of production of European statistics and strengthening the partnership within the European Statistical System

	Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
29 02 01	74 000 000	71 000 000	74 000 000	71 000 000	72 000 000	69 000 000	74 000 000	71 000 000	74 000 000	71 000 000
Reserve					2 000 000	2 000 000				
Total	74 000 000	71 000 000	74 000 000	71 000 000	74 000 000	71 000 000	74 000 000	71 000 000	74 000 000	71 000 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the following:

- statistical data collection and surveys, studies and development of indicators and benchmarks,
- quality studies and activities designed to improve the quality of statistics,
- the processing, dissemination, promotion and marketing of statistical information,
- the development, maintenance and reengineering of IT systems and infrastructure linked to putting into place and monitoring measures coming under this article,
- risk-based control work at the sites of entities involved in the production of statistical information in Member States, especially to support the economic governance of the Union,
- support to collaborative networks and support to organisations having as their primary objectives and activities the promotion and support for the implementation of the European Statistics Code of Practice and the implementation of new methods of production of European statistics,
- services rendered by external experts,
- statistical training courses for statisticians,
- the cost of purchasing documentation,
- subsidies and subscriptions to international statistical associations.

It is also intended to ensure the gathering of the information necessary to draw up an annual summary report on the economic and social state of the Union on the basis of economic data and structural indicators and benchmarks.

This appropriation is also intended to cover costs incurred in connection with the training of national statisticians and the policy of cooperation in the field of statistics with third countries; expenditure relating to exchanges of officials, the costs of information meetings, and expenditure on payment for services rendered in connection with the adjustment of the remuneration of officials and other staff.

Also charged to this article is expenditure on the purchase of data and access for Commission departments to outside databases.

In addition, funding should be used to develop new, modular techniques.

This appropriation is also intended to cover the provision of the necessary statistical information, at the request of the Commission or of the other institutions of the Union, for the assessment, monitoring and evaluation of the Union's expenditure. This will improve the implementation of financial and budgetary policy (drawing-up of the budget and periodic review of the multiannual financial framework) and make it possible to compile medium and long-term data for the financing of the Union.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this article. By way of information, such amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation. They give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the 'European Economic Area' Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget.

Any revenue from the Swiss Confederation's contribution for participation in Union programmes entered in Item 6 0 3 3 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation.

The corresponding amount is estimated at EUR 4 450 000.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 99/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 January 2013 on the European statistical programme 2013-17 (OJ L 39, 9.2.2013, p. 12).

Item 30 01 14 01 — Allowances for staff assigned non-active status, retired in the interests of the service or dismissed

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
6 273 000	4 273 000	6 273 000	6 273 000	6 273 000

Item 30 01 15 01 — Pensions, invalidity allowances and severance grants

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
1 973 245 000	1 973 245 000	1 973 245 000	1 973 245 000	1 952 191 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover:

- retirement pensions of officials, temporary and contractual staff of all the institutions and agencies of the Union, including those paid from research and technological development appropriations,
- invalidity pensions of officials and temporary staff of all the institutions and agencies of the Union, including those paid from research and technological development appropriations,
- invalidity allowances of officials, temporary and contractual staff of all the institutions and agencies of the Union, including those paid from research and technological development appropriations,
- survivors' pensions for surviving spouses and/or orphans of former officials, temporary and contractual staff of all the institutions and agencies of the Union, including those paid from research and technological development appropriations,
- severance grants of officials, temporary and contractual staff of all the institutions and agencies of the Union, including those paid from research and technological development appropriations,
- payments of the actuarial equivalent of retirement pensions,
- payments (pension bonus) to former members of the Resistance (or to their surviving spouses and/or orphans) who were deported or interned,

- payments of financial aid to a surviving spouse who has a serious or protracted illness or who is disabled, for the duration of the illness or disability, on the basis of an examination of the social and medical circumstances of the person concerned.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Item 30 01 15 02 — Insurance against sickness

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
65 348 000	65 348 000	65 348 000	65 348 000	64 651 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the employer's contribution towards sickness insurance for pensioners.

It also covers supplementary payments for the reimbursement of medical expenses for former members of the Resistance who were deported or interned.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Item 30 01 15 03 — Weightings and adjustments to pensions and allowances

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
77 380 000	77 380 000	77 380 000	77 380 000	76 554 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the effect of weightings applicable to pensions.

Part of this appropriation is intended to cover the cost of any adjustments to pensions during the financial year. It is purely provisional and may be used only after its transfer to other items in this chapter in accordance with the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item 30 01 16 01 — Pensions of former Members of the European Parliament

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
6 843 000	6 843 000	6 843 000	6 843 000	6 770 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions, invalidity pensions and survivor's pensions of former Members of the European Parliament.

Legal basis:

Statute for Members of the European Parliament, and in particular Articles 14, 15, 17 and 28 thereof.

Implementing measures for the Statute for Members of the European Parliament (including Articles 49 to 60 thereof and relevant provisions adopted by the Bureau of the European Parliament).

Item 30 01 16 02 — Pensions of former Presidents of the European Council and of former Secretaries-General of the Council of the European Union

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
641 000	641 000	641 000	641 000	634 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former Presidents of the European Council and of former Secretaries-General of the Council of the European Union, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, and the survivor's pensions of surviving spouses and orphans of former Presidents of the European Council and of former Secretaries-General of the Council of the European Union, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

Legal basis:

Council Decision 2009/909/EU of 1 December 2009 laying down the conditions of employment of the President of the European Council (OJ L 322, 9.12.2009, p. 35)

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1).

Item 30 01 16 03 — Pensions of former Members of the Commission

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
6 785 000	6 785 000	6 785 000	6 785 000	6 715 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former Members of the Commission, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, and the survivors' pensions of surviving spouses and orphans of former Members of the Commission, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

Legal basis:

Regulation No 422/67/EEC, No 5/67/Euratom of the Council of 25 July 1967 determining the emoluments of the President and Members of the Commission, of the President, Judges, Advocates-General and Registrar of the Court of Justice, of the President, Members and Registrar of the General Court and of the President, Members and Registrar of the European Union Civil Service Tribunal (OJ 187, 8.8.1967, p. 1).

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1).

Item 30 01 16 04 — Pensions of former Members of the Court of Justice of the European Union

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
10 289 000	10 289 000	10 289 000	10 289 000	10 180 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former Members of the Court of Justice of the European Union, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, and the survivors' pensions of surviving spouses and orphans of former Members of the Court of Justice of the European Union, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

Legal basis:

Regulation No 422/67/EEC, No 5/67/Euratom of the Council of 25 July 1967 determining the emoluments of the President and Members of the Commission, of the President, Judges, Advocates-General and Registrar of the Court of Justice, of the President, Members and Registrar of the General Court and of the President, Members and Registrar of the European Union Civil Service Tribunal (OJ 187, 8.8.1967, p. 1), and in particular Articles 8, 9, 15 and 18 thereof.

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1).

Item 30 01 16 05 — Pensions of former Members of the Court of Auditors

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
4 908 000	4 908 000	4 908 000	4 908 000	4 856 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former Members of the Court of Auditors, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, and the survivors' pensions for their surviving spouses and orphans of former Members of the Court of Auditors, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

Legal basis:

Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No 2290/77 of 18 October 1977 determining the emoluments of the Members of the Court of Auditors (OJ L 268, 20.10.1977, p. 1), and in particular Articles 9, 10, 11 and 16 thereof.

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1).

Item 30 01 16 06 — Pensions of former European Ombudsmen

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
257 000	257 000	257 000	257 000	254 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former European Ombudsmen, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, and the survivors' pensions of surviving spouses and orphans, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

Legal basis:

Regulation No 422/67/EEC, No 5/67/Euratom of the Council of 25 July 1967 determining the emoluments of the President and Members of the Commission, of the President, Judges, Advocates-General and Registrar of the Court of Justice, of the President, Members and Registrar of the General Court and of the President, Members and Registrar of the European Union Civil Service Tribunal (OJ 187, 8.8.1967, p. 1), and in particular Articles 8, 9, 15 and 18 thereof.

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1).

Item 30 01 16 07 — Pensions of former European Data Protection Supervisors

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
183 000	183 000	183 000	183 000	181 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the retirement pensions and invalidity pensions of former European Data Protection Supervisors, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence, as well as the survivors' pensions of surviving spouses and orphans of former European Data Protection Supervisors, together with the weightings applicable to their country of residence.

Legal basis:

Regulation No 422/67/EEC, No 5/67/Euratom of the Council of 25 July 1967 determining the emoluments of the President and Members of the Commission, of the President, Judges, Advocates-General and Registrar of the Court of Justice, of the President, Members and Registrar of the General Court and of the President, Members and Registrar of the European Union Civil Service Tribunal (OJ 187, 8.8.1967, p. 1), and in particular Articles 8, 9, 15 and 18 thereof.

Decision No 1247/2002/EC of the European Parliament, of the Council and of the Commission of 1 July 2002 on the regulations and general conditions governing the performance of the European Data-protection Supervisor's duties (OJ L 183, 12.7.2002, p. 1).

Council Regulation (EU) 2016/300 of 29 February 2016 determining the emoluments of EU high-level public office holders (OJ L 58, 4.3.2016, p. 1).

Article 31 01 01 — Expenditure relating to officials and temporary staff in the 'Language services' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
341 268 408	341 042 602	341 268 408	341 268 408	337 548 176

Item 31 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
12 205 672	12 121 297	12 205 672	12 205 672	12 205 672

Item 31 01 03 01 — Expenditure relating to information and communication technology equipment and services

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
22 386 411	22 228 346	22 386 411	22 386 411	22 386 411

Article 32 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the 'Energy' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
67 657 796	67 431 990	67 657 796	67 657 796	66 920 245

Item 32 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
3 107 027	3 022 652	3 107 027	3 107 027	3 107 027

Article 32 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the 'Energy' policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
4 438 193	4 280 128	4 438 193	4 438 193	4 438 193

Item 32 01 05 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff implementing research and innovation programmes — Horizon 2020

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 519 194	2 319 194	2 519 194	2 519 194	2 519 194

Item 32 02 01 01 — Further integration of the internal energy market and the interoperability of electricity and gas networks across borders

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
394 706 000	131 500 000	394 706 000	131 500 000	574 706 000	221 500 000	394 706 000	131 500 000	450 506 000	148 240 000

Item 32 02 01 02 — Enhancing Union security of energy supply

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
394 528 000	128 200 000	394 528 000	128 200 000	464 528 000	163 200 000	394 528 000	128 200 000	414 528 000	134 200 000

Item 32 02 01 03 — Contributing to sustainable development and protection of the environment

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
394 498 586	128 300 000	394 498 586	128 300 000	464 498 586	163 300 000	394 498 586	128 300 000	414 498 586	134 300 000

Article 32 02 10 — Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
16 277 975	16 277 975	16 277 975	16 277 975	20 648 000	20 648 000	16 277 975	16 277 975	16 277 975	16 277 975

Item 32 02 77 12 — Preparatory action — Establishing comprehensive support for coal and carbon-intensive regions in transition

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	1 250 000	p.m.	1 250 000	12 000 000	7 250 000	p.m.	1 250 000	18 000 000	5 750 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the preparatory action.

The recovery of the Union from the economic crisis and the effective implementation of its key goals of strong growth and global competitiveness, including through sustainable reindustrialisation and modernisation of the Union economy, must be founded on long-term environmental, economic and social sustainability. In the context of the ambitious climate commitments of the Union and its transition to a low-emission economy based on the circular model, its coal and carbon-intensive regions with a high proportion of workers in carbon-dependent sectors need targeted support to effectively contribute to this strategic transformation.

According to Eurostat figures, coal and lignite mining alone currently account for over 300 000 direct jobs in the Union. These are concentrated in a limited number of regions, where their impact on the local economy and social cohesion is the principal driver. In the face of the challenges of technological progress, global competition and demanding environmental and climate policies, the ability of those regions to contribute to and benefit from the Union's transition to a low-emission circular economy has a crucial bearing on the overall success of the Union. This has been acknowledged by the Commission, which in its communication on 'Clean Energy for All Europeans' committed to 'examine how to better support the transition in coal and carbon-intensive regions'.

This preparatory action will ensure the effectiveness of these support efforts, their long-term sustainability, and ultimately the success of the transformation of the Union as a whole and its global leadership, by establishing a platform which should enable the Commission to:

- identify the Union's coal and carbon-intensive regions in transition and their smart specialisations,
- build a dedicated practical toolkit with (a) best practices, (b) existing support instruments identifying best synergies, and (c) information exchange with and between regions,

- establish stakeholder fora and provide tools for intra-regional exchanges, including on comprehensive roadmaps for low-emission reindustrialisation and reskilling needs,
- identify on-the-ground bottlenecks and streamline support to new technologies and clean-coal innovation development and uptake, including carbon capture and storage, carbon capture and utilisation and coal gasification,
- establish a compendium of best practices and operational guidelines, and eventually a practical toolkit for third country coal and carbon-intensive regions in transition, as part of the capacity-building measures under the Paris Agreement,
- set up a cross-DG team to (a) identify areas of possible Union policy/programme synergies with a view to ensuring the most effective financial and policy support post-2020; (b) assist regions (central and local authorities) in developing sustainable transition strategies by providing more targeted tools for intra-regional exchanges on best practices, including on comprehensive roadmaps for low-emission reindustrialisation.
- refocus existing stakeholder fora, including social dialogue and dialogue with civil society in general, on establishing just transition and economic strategies,
- provide additional financial support, on top of existing funding schemes without redeployment from other programmes, for the establishment of regional/local just transition roadmaps towards EU carbon neutrality by 2050 in the regions and communities most affected. Extra funding should also support existing or future territorial/community projects that are based on the involvement of workers and communities affected through consultation and empowerment.
- strengthen the Platform for Coal Regions in Transition and its Secretariat (established by the preparatory action in 2018 and continued in 2019) in order to achieve the EU’s climate goals and fulfil its commitments under the Paris Agreement, while ensuring a just energy transition in which coal regions are not left behind, by providing an increased budget in 2020 and extending the scope of the action to:
 - further technical assistance and capacity building in coal and carbon intensive regions in the EU in areas such as strategy preparation, project development, project financing and private investment facilitation (there were 20 pilot regions participating in the EU initiative as of March 2019, compared with four regions in 2017);
 - engagement with Energy Community members and observers on coal regions in transition by organising regional outreach in cooperation with international financial institutions and international partners;
 - development of a social dimension to the Platform for Coal Regions in Transition, applying best social innovation practices: reskilling and upskilling of workers and programmes for young people and retired miners.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item 32 02 77 15 — Pilot project — Covenant of Mayors as an instrument to tackle energy poverty

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	1 050 000	p.m.	1 050 000	1 800 000	1 950 000	p.m.	1 050 000	1 800 000	1 500 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the pilot project.

This pilot project will reduce household energy consumption and guarantee universal access to energy. Energy poverty is a Europe-wide problem that requires a holistic approach underpinned by a joint, strong effort at all levels: local, regional, national and European. Towns, cities and regions are often best placed to identify at an early stage those households at risk of energy poverty and thus tackle it in the most effective way.

By the end of this project, outcomes will include:

- providing vulnerable homes with technical support to reduce energy consumption and costs, together with support to improve their energy performance;
- action across a number of government departments involving public health, social services, housing and environmental services, in order to take coordinated action to tackle the various aspects of energy poverty, which causes public health problems and social vulnerability and is often linked to buildings with poor energy performance; reducing energy consumption also has a positive effect in terms of combating climate change;
- actions to link energy savings in local public facilities with the creation of a fund to fight energy poverty in all municipalities;
- actions to empower consumers in their energy consumption patterns;
- assessments of how energy poverty projects can improve the local economy by creating opportunities for energy investments in private houses, and help create jobs;
- dissemination actions including Europe-wide exchange of good practices.

Objectives

The pilot project will focus both on measures to raise awareness and exchange good local and regional practices for tackling energy poverty and on concrete measures to reduce energy poverty in Europe.

According to the Buildings Performance Institute Europe (BPIE-2014) between 50 000 000 and 125 000 000 people in the Union are currently suffering from fuel poverty and cannot afford proper indoor thermal comfort. In addition, investments in energy efficiency can help to prevent fuel poverty and, as stated in Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency, should be a priority for energy-poor households.

The new Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy, which recently celebrated its tenth anniversary, is a unique bottom-up movement with 7 755 signatory cities, bringing together local and regional authorities voluntarily committing to implementing the Union's climate and energy objectives, offering citizens a high quality of life in sustainable and climate-resilient cities.

On 25 September 2015, the United Nations adopted a set of goals to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure prosperity for all as part of a new Sustainable Development Agenda. Each Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) has specific targets to be achieved over the next 15 years. SDG 1 'End Poverty' and SDG 7 'Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all' related to this project. In parallel there is an ongoing initiative – Urban Agenda for the EU – to tackle various key aspects of the Union's future policy in this area. The related process involves two specific partnerships: energy transition and urban poverty.

To sum up: energy is central to nearly every major challenge and opportunity for Europe today, whether for jobs, security, climate change, food production or increasing incomes, universal access to energy is essential.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item 32 02 77 16 — Preparatory action — Teaching island authorities and communities how to tender for renewable energy projects

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 000 000	1 000 000			2 000 000	500 000

Remarks:

Under this preparatory action, island authorities and communities will be taught how to write open tenders themselves. The open tenders will then be for private clean-energy companies to competitively respond to with proposals, in particular in connection with solar, wind energy, storage (not only batteries) and district heating/cooling.

Rapidly falling renewable energy costs and increasing numbers of clean-energy providers mean that EU islands should now be transitioning to clean energy, provided that their authorities know how to write, evaluate and award tenders. For islands with low administrative budgets, this process is risky, as it makes highly technical, financial and legal demands. This action will provide islands with off-the-shelf templates for tendering, and will be developed throughout its duration by taking island representatives to visit renewable energy experts for islands and sites around Europe, where profitable clean-energy projects are already being delivered, where possible involving renewable energy communities, in order to share first-hand experiences and learn about the latest project life-cycle budgeting for islands. These real-life training classes and site visits will then be distilled into free, open-access online training courses at the end of the action.

This action reverses the normal EU project process, in that, instead of providing a successful standalone proposal in response to a Commission open tender, it will teach island communities how to write tenders themselves, to which they will receive responses that they have been trained to process and manage.

In short, it follows the well-known mantra: ‘Give a person a fish and he will eat for a day; teach a person to fish and he will eat for a lifetime.’

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 32 02 77 17 — Preparatory action — Strengthening cooperation on climate action among villages in the EU and beyond through the creation of a rural identity within the Covenant of Mayors

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 000 000	1 000 000			2 000 000	500 000

Remarks:

The action is unique in that it brings together, through the new framework of the Global Covenant of Mayors, villages and rural areas which are at the forefront of climate change action. EU villages and rural authorities around the world, having a closer knowledge of climate change challenges for rural territories and having pushed for an ambitious global climate agreement, will join forces to lead the efforts to achieve the climate objective of zero emissions by 2050.

EU villages will work closely together within and beyond the EU for overall capacity building and, specifically, to share experiences, transfer knowledge and know-how on sustainable energy and climate planning, share best examples on climate change mitigation and adaptation, and share knowledge on EU innovative financial instruments in support of sustainable energy investments.

The action will involve analysis of existing good practices for sustainable energy and climate planning implemented in villages and rural areas and the development of innovative integrated rural strategies to properly address access to energy and energy poverty, climate change mitigation and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, as well as adaptation of rural territories to climate change.

These strategies will be in line with the 'Clean Planet for All' strategy and the 'Clean Energy for all Europeans' package, as well as the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and 'Sustainable Energy for All' objectives.

Finally, provision will be made for the transparent monitoring, reporting and verification of greenhouse gas emissions in line with the requirements of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 32 02 77 18 — Pilot project — Energy communities repository – Monitoring and support for energy communities in the EU

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				1 000 000	500 000			1 000 000	250 000

Remarks:

The provisions on consumer empowerment in the new Renewable Energy Directive (REDII) and the Electricity Directive are among the most innovative in the Clean Energy Package. They oblige Member States to adopt enabling frameworks for energy communities. The Internal Market Directive provides for a level playing field for 'citizens' energy communities' on electricity markets, while the Renewables Directive requires adoption of a level playing field and incentives for 'renewable energy communities' active in all areas of renewable energy. While energy communities already exist in some Member States, they are a novelty in others.

The repository should fulfil two basic functions: (i) monitoring and collecting data on development of energy communities in the EU and (ii) providing communities with models for technological and administrative solutions.

The data collected through the repository would constitute a very important source of information for the European institutions and national and local governments. The data would feed in to existing and future policy streams. In other words, it would facilitate the implementation or, if need be, revision or improvement of the regulatory framework.

In addition, the repository could be a great source of know-how for citizens and citizen associations that wish to set up their energy communities, in particular in Member States that have not developed regulatory frameworks or best practices so far. Best practices may include: technological solutions, e.g. for electricity sharing, the use of blockchain and distributed ledgers for transacting and providing information on the origin of electricity from sources belonging to the community; documentation to set up a community, e.g. models for rules of associations, examples of agreements with distribution system operators, etc.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 32 02 77 19 — Pilot project — Engaging companies for energy transition

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				875 000	437 500			875 000	218 750

Remarks:

A European private-sector dimension will be developed to complement existing bottom-up energy/climate initiatives of cities local municipalities (e.g. the Covenant of Mayors). By engaging leading (industrial and commercial) companies to form an EU-wide (voluntary) movement, the scale, impact and synergies of actions taken by different levels of governance can be increased. Voluntary incentives for action are needed as the share of CO2 emissions from industry is expected to grow in relative terms compared to energy supply and road transport towards 2050.

Legal basis:

Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Item 32 04 03 01 — Making the transition to a reliable, sustainable and competitive energy system

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
397 880 594	398 861 189	397 880 594	398 861 189	452 880 594	472 636 189	397 880 594	398 861 189	456 991 488	416 594 189

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to support the implementation of the societal challenge ‘Secure, clean and efficient energy’ of the Horizon 2020 priorities, in line with the Union’s energy policy and in particular the Energy Union strategy (Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Investment Bank of 25 February 2015 on a framework strategy for a resilient Energy Union with a forward-looking climate change policy (COM(2015) 80 final)), Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Investment Bank of 30 November 2016 ‘Clean Energy for all Europeans’ (COM(2016) 860 final), Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Investment Bank of 22 November 2007 ‘A European Strategic Energy Technology Plan’ (SET-Plan) (COM(2007) 723 final) and Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European

Investment Bank of 2 May 2013 ‘Energy Technologies and Innovation’ (COM(2013) 253 final). These initiatives are primarily addressing energy efficiency, wind, solar, bioenergy, carbon capture and storage, smart cities and electricity grids. In recognition of their important contribution to future sustainable energy systems, at least 85 % of the budget appropriations over the period 2014-2020 will be allocated to the renewable and end-use energy efficiency policy areas, including smart grids and energy storage.

Support to market uptake measures will be part of the Horizon 2020 programme to build capacity, improve governance and overcome market barriers so that energy efficiency and renewable energy solutions can be rolled out, thus contributing to improving energy security in the Union. Part of the appropriations in the overall energy challenge budget will therefore be spent on market uptake activities for existing renewable and energy efficiency technologies within the programme, carried out by a dedicated management structure, and will include support for sustainable energy policy implementation, capacity building and mobilisation of financing for investment, in line with what has been done to date. Attention shall be paid to helping to close the research and innovation divide in Europe, without undermining the excellence criteria.

Legal basis:

Council Decision 2013/743/EU of 3 December 2013 establishing the specific programme implementing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decisions 2006/971/EC, 2006/972/EC, 2006/973/EC, 2006/974/EC and 2006/975/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 965), and in particular point (c) of Article 3(3) thereof.

Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 — the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

Regulation (EU) 2015/1017 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2015 on the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the European Investment Advisory Hub and the European Investment Project Portal and amending Regulations (EU) No 1291/2013 and (EU) No 1316/2013 — the European Fund for Strategic Investments (OJ L 169, 1.7.2015, p. 1).

Article 33 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Justice and consumers’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
44 691 388	44 465 582	44 691 388	44 691 388	44 204 199

Item 33 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
4 066 276	3 981 901	4 066 276	4 066 276	4 066 276

Article 33 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services of the ‘Justice and consumers’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 931 650	2 773 585	2 931 650	2 931 650	2 931 650

Article 33 02 01 — Ensuring the protection of rights and empowering citizens

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
28 605 000	28 800 000	27 605 000	28 800 000	31 000 000	29 997 500	28 605 000	28 800 000	29 805 000	30 000 000

Article 33 02 02 — Promoting non-discrimination and equality

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
38 753 000	39 600 000	37 753 000	39 600 000	41 000 000	40 723 500	38 753 000	39 600 000	38 753 000	39 600 000

Article 33 02 06 — European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
23 157 712	23 157 712	22 407 712	22 407 712	23 776 000	23 776 000	23 157 712	23 157 712	23 157 712	23 157 712

Article 33 02 07 — European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
8 013 905	8 013 905	7 963 905	7 963 905	8 013 905	8 013 905	8 013 905	8 013 905	8 013 905	8 013 905

Item 33 02 77 17 — Preparatory action — Roma Civil Monitor - Strengthening capacity and involvement of Roma and pro-Roma civil society in policy monitoring and review

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				2 000 000	1 000 000			2 000 000	500 000

Remarks:

The preparatory action will build on pilot project JUST/2014/RPPI/PR/EQUA/0150, which is nearing completion, and by drawing lessons from that project it will, in an improved way, continue contributing to the strengthening and further capacity building of Roma and pro-Roma civil society as well as to the monitoring mechanism regarding Roma inclusion, especially by producing and disseminating independent reports in which civil society coalitions could present alternative information and data to what is contained in the reports submitted by Member States concerning the implementation of their strategies. These civil society reports could provide local knowledge to help national and European policy processes and reflect on the real social impact of government measures.

Monitoring will focus on the local implementation of strategies in the four priority areas (employment, education, housing, health), as regards anti-discrimination, combating anti-Gypsyism and promoting gender equality, and will also provide information on the level of involvement of civil society, the use of EU funds and the mainstreaming of Roma inclusion measures.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 33 03 01 — Supporting and promoting judicial training and facilitating effective access to justice for all

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
33 743 000	27 600 000	33 043 000	27 600 000	33 743 000	27 600 000	33 743 000	27 600 000	33 743 000	27 600 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to contribute to supporting and promoting judicial training, including language training on legal terminology, with a view to fostering a common legal and judicial culture and to facilitating effective access to justice for all, including through promoting and supporting the rights of victims of crime, while respecting the rights of the defence.

In particular, this appropriation is intended to cover the following types of actions:

- analytical activities, such as the collection of data and statistics, where appropriate disaggregated by gender, the development of common methodologies and, where appropriate, indicators or

benchmarks; studies, research, analyses and surveys; evaluations; the elaboration and publication of guides, reports and educational material; workshops, seminars, experts' meetings and conferences,

- training activities including a gender-sensitive perspective, such as staff exchanges, workshops, seminars, train-the-trainer events, including language training on legal terminology, and the development of online training tools or other training modules for members of the judiciary and judicial staff,
- mutual learning, cooperation, awareness-raising and dissemination activities, such as the identification of, and exchanges concerning, good practices, innovative approaches and experiences; the organisation of peer reviews and mutual learning; the organisation of conferences, seminars, information campaigns, including institutional communication on the political priorities of the Union insofar as they relate to the objectives of the Justice programme (the 'Programme'); the compilation and publication of materials to disseminate information about the Programme and its results; the development, operation and maintenance of systems and tools, using information and communication technologies, including the further development of the European e-Justice Portal as a tool to improve citizens' access to justice,
- support for main actors whose activities contribute to the implementation of the objectives of the Programme, such as support for Member States in the implementation of Union law and policies, support for key Union actors and Union-level networks, including in the field of judicial training; and support for networking activities at Union level among specialised bodies and entities as well as national, regional and local authorities and non-governmental organisations.

Any revenue from the contributions from acceding countries, candidate countries and potential candidates for participating in Union programmes entered in Item 6 0 3 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations, according to the same ratio as between the amount authorised for expenditure on administrative management and the total appropriations entered for the Programme, in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation.

Assigned revenue received may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1382/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a Justice Programme for the period 2014 to 2020 (OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 73), and in particular points (b) and (c) of Article 4(1), point (f) of Article 4(2), and Article 6 thereof.

Article 33 03 04 — European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
39 640 496	39 487 174	39 640 496	39 487 174	43 340 496	43 187 174	39 640 496	39 487 174	41 340 496	41 187 174

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover Eurojust's staff and administrative expenditure (Titles 1 and 2), and operational expenditure relating to the work programme (Title 3).

Eurojust must inform the European Parliament and the Council about transfers of appropriations between operational and administrative expenditure.

The amounts repaid in accordance with Article 17 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/715 of 18 December 2018 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies set up under the TFEU and Euratom Treaty and referred to in Article 70 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 122, 10.5.2019, p. 1) constitute assigned revenue (point (b) of

Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation) to be charged to Item 6 6 0 0 of the general statement of revenue.

Eurojust's establishment plan is set out in Annex 'Staff' to this section.

The Union contribution for 2019 amounts to a total of EUR . An amount of EUR coming from the recovery of surplus is added to the amount of EUR entered in the budget.

Legal basis:

Council Decision 2002/187/JHA of 28 February 2002 setting up Eurojust with a view to reinforcing the fight against serious crime (OJ L 63, 6.3.2002, p. 1).

Council Decision 2003/659/JHA of 18 June 2003 amending Decision 2002/187/JHA setting up Eurojust with a view to reinforcing the fight against serious crime (OJ L 245, 29.9.2003, p. 44).

Council Decision 2009/426/JHA of 16 December 2008 on the strengthening of Eurojust and amending Decision 2002/187/JHA setting up Eurojust with a view to reinforcing the fight against serious crime (OJ L 138, 4.6.2009, p. 14).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 November 2018 on the European Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust), and replacing and repealing Council Decision 2002/187/JHA (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018; the Regulation has entered into force, however it will only apply as of 12 December 2019).

Article 33 03 05 — European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
8 372 000	8 372 000	8 372 000	8 372 000	10 000 000	10 000 000	8 372 000	8 372 000	8 372 000	8 372 000

Remarks:

The EPPO has been created by the regulation Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office ('the EPPO').

The EPPO shall be responsible for investigating, prosecuting and bringing to judgment the perpetrators of, and accomplices to, criminal offences affecting the financial interests of the Union which are provided for in Directive (EU) 2017/1371 and determined by this Regulation. In this respect the EPPO shall undertake investigations, and carry out acts of prosecution and exercise the functions of prosecutor in the competent courts of the Member States, until the case has been finally disposed of.

This appropriation is intended in 2020 mostly to cover EPPO's: recruitment and staff related expenditure, building, infrastructure and information technology expenditures (Titles 1 and 2), operational expenditure related to the development and initial roll out of the EPPO case management system (Title 3), the IT exchange platform between the EPPO Central Office, the European Delegated Prosecutors and other judicial and law enforcement authorities in the Member States which is a key element for the establishment and good functioning of the EPPO.

EPPO must inform the European Parliament and the Council about transfers of appropriations between operational and administrative expenditure.

EPPO's establishment plan is set out in Annex 'Staff' to this section.

The Union contribution for amounts to a total of EUR .

Legal basis:

Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 of 12 October 2017 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office ('the EPPO') (OJ L 283, 31.10.2017, p. 1).

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

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
p.m.	500 000	p.m.	500 000	750 000	875 000	p.m.	500 000	750 000	687 500

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover commitments remaining to be settled from previous years under the preparatory action .

This preparatory action will help strengthen a wide range of civil society organisations, including some new actors not actively involved in fighting money laundering and financial crimes, so as to build up their expertise and capacity in connection with Union law and rules, enhance awareness-raising efforts and further develop tools and instruments to fight money laundering and financial crimes. In the light of the challenges revealed by the Panama Papers and Paradise Papers scandals and the fifth revision of the Anti-Money Laundering Directive (providing public access to beneficial owner registers of companies and access to people with a legitimate interest for beneficial owners of trusts), it is apparent that the Union-level capacity of a wide range of organisations in this field (e.g. NGOs, trade unions and academic communities) needs to be boosted. Enhanced capacity building for research, training and awareness raising, alliance building (including with journalists) and greater involvement of civil society experts in the design and implementation of, and advocacy for, action to combat money laundering and financial crimes will create synergies with current Union efforts to put an end to such abusive and criminal practices.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 58(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Article 33 04 01 — Safeguarding consumers' interest and improving their safety and information

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
27 000 000	25 000 000	26 570 000	25 000 000	27 000 000	25 000 000	27 000 000	25 000 000	27 000 000	25 000 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure for achieving the objectives established through the multiannual consumer programme for the years 2014-2020. The aim of the programme is to ensure a high level of consumer protection and to empower consumers in the heart of the internal market within the framework of an overall strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, by contributing to the protection of the health, safety, legal and economic interests of consumers, as well as to the promotion of their right to information, education and to organise themselves in order to safeguard their interests, supporting the integration of such consumer interests into other policy areas, as well as to increase customers' knowledge of their fundamental rights and their trust in the market and public authorities and to facilitate the complaints and dispute resolution mechanisms. The programme complements, supports and monitors the policies of Member States.

This general objective shall be pursued through the following four specific objectives:

- safety: to consolidate and enhance product safety through effective market surveillance, in particular in the Digital Single Market, throughout the Union,

- information and education and support to consumer organisations: to improve consumers' education, information and awareness of their rights and empowerment regarding consumer policy, to develop the evidence base for consumer policy and to provide support for consumer organisations, also taking into account the specific needs of vulnerable consumers,
- rights and redress: to develop and reinforce consumer rights, in particular through smart regulatory action, and to improve access to simple, efficient, expedient and low-cost redress, including alternative dispute resolution,
- enforcement: to support enforcement of consumer rights by strengthening cooperation between national enforcement bodies and by supporting consumers with advice. The programme also takes into account new societal challenges which have grown in importance in recent years. They include: the increased complexity of consumer decision-making, the need to move towards more sustainable patterns of consumption, the opportunities and threats that digitalisation brings, an increase in social exclusion and the number of vulnerable consumers, and an ageing population.

The contributions from the EFTA States pursuant to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and in particular Article 82 thereof and Protocol 32 thereto, must be added to the appropriations entered in this article. By way of information, those amounts derive from contributions from the EFTA States entered against Article 6 3 0 of the statement of revenue, which constitute assigned revenue in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation; they give rise to the provision of corresponding appropriations and to implementation under the 'European Economic Area' Annex to this part of the statement of expenditure in this section, which forms an integral part of the general budget.

Any revenue from the contributions from candidate countries and, if applicable, the Western Balkan potential candidates for participating in Union programmes entered in Item 6 0 3 1 of the statement of revenue may give rise to the provision of additional appropriations, according to the same ratio as between the amount authorised for expenditure on administrative management and the total appropriations entered for the programme, in accordance with points (b), (e) and (f) of Article 21(2) of the Financial Regulation.

Legal basis:

Directive 2001/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 December 2001 on general product safety (OJ L 11, 15.1.2002, p.4).

Regulation (EU) No 524/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 May 2013 on online dispute resolution for consumer disputes and amending Regulation (EC) No 2006/2004 and Directive 2009/22/EC (Regulation on consumer ODR) (OJ L 165, 18.6.2013, p. 1).

Regulation (EU) No 254/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on a multiannual consumer programme for the years 2014-20 and repealing Decision No 1926/2006/EC (OJ L 84, 20.3.2014, p. 42).

Regulation (EU) 2017/2394 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 on cooperation between national authorities responsible for the enforcement of consumer protection laws and repealing Regulation (EC) No 2006/2004 (OJ L 345, 27.12.2017, p. 1).

Item 33 04 77 07 — Preparatory action — Assessing alleged differences in the quality of products sold on the Single Market

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
				900 000	450 000			900 000	225 000

Remarks:

This preparatory action is a follow-up to pilot projects from 2017, 2018 and 2019. It will be carried out in a manner that is fully consistent with what has already been done by the Commission to address the issue of dual quality. It will take fully into account the results of the pilot projects, thus ensuring continuity. Moreover, the preparatory action will build on a common methodology as well as on what has emerged and what has been learnt from the EU-wide testing campaign. It will focus on extending the scope of research to include non-food products (e.g. detergents, cosmetics, toiletries and baby products, as provided for under the pilot projects), with samples from all Member States, and on the feasibility of creating a permanent quality monitoring centre for products sold on the Single Market, with a view to long-term action to resolve the issue of dual quality on the Single Market.

Legal basis:

Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

Article 34 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff in the ‘Climate action’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
20 607 696	20 381 890	20 607 696	20 607 696	20 383 048

Item 34 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
1 874 741	1 790 366	1 874 741	1 874 741	1 874 741

Article 34 01 03 — Expenditure related to information and communication technology equipment and services in the ‘Climate action’ policy area

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
1 351 817	1 193 752	1 351 817	1 351 817	1 351 817

Article 34 01 06 — Executive agencies

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
			p.m.	p.m.

Item 34 01 06 01 — Innovation and Network Executive Agency – Contribution from the Innovation Fund

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
			p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

New item

This appropriation is intended to cover the contribution to the expenditure of INEA’s staff and administration incurred as a result of the Agency’s role in the management of the Innovation Fund (IF) subject to the final decision on the delegation of the Innovation Fund.

For budget year 2020, it is provisionally estimated that an amount between EUR 2,5 and 3,0 million will be needed in order to finance the contribution to the expenditure of INEA’s staff and administration incurred as a result of the Agency’s role in the management of the Innovation Fund (IF).

This will allow the preparation of a first call for proposals in 2020, expected to be launched at the beginning of the second half of 2020, in the range of EUR 1,0-1,5 billion.

Legal basis:

Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 2003 establishing a system for greenhouse gas emissions allowance trading within the Union and amending Council Directive 96/61/EC (OJ L 275, 25.10.2003, p. 32).

Reference acts:

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/856 of 26 February 2019 supplementing Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the operation of the Innovation Fund (OJ L 140, 28.5.2019, p. 6).

Commission Implementing Decision 2013/801/EU of 23 December 2013 establishing the Innovation and Networks Executive Agency and repealing Decision 2007/60/EC as amended by Decision 2008/593/EC (OJ L352, 24.12.2013, p. 65).

Proposal for a Commission Decision C(xxxx) xx of xx delegating powers to the Innovation and Networks Executive Agency with a view to the performance of tasks linked to the implementation of the Innovation Fund.

Article 34 02 01 — Reducing Union greenhouse gas emissions

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
80 328 388	42 000 000	80 328 388	42 000 000	115 328 388	59 500 000	80 328 388	42 000 000	85 883 944	44 777 778

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to finance measures to support the Union's role in the development, implementation and enforcement of policy and legislation in the area of climate change mitigation. It includes the monitoring of mainstreaming across policy areas by developing, testing and demonstrating policy or management approaches, best practices, solutions for the climate, improving the knowledge base of effective climate mitigation, enhancing its capacity to apply in practice, facilitating development and implementation of integrated approaches and action plans at local, regional or national level, as well as contributing to the development and demonstration of innovative low carbon technologies, systems, methods and instruments for being replicated, transferred or mainstreamed.

The following priorities will be taken into account:

- ensuring the implementation of the Union's commitments under the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), in particular the Paris Agreement and the Commission Communication of 2 March 2016 entitled 'The Road from Paris: assessing the implications of the Paris Agreement and accompanying the proposal for a Council decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Paris agreement adopted under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change' (COM(2016) 110 final),
- ensuring the Union's commitments under the Montreal Protocol on Ozone Depleting Substances, including the Kigali Amendment reducing the consumption and production of hydrofluorocarbons,
- further implementation of the existing 'Climate and Energy' package, the achievement of the 20/20/20 climate and energy targets of the Europe 2020 strategy, and the development 'climate tracking' methodologies to monitor climate-related expenditure under the mainstreaming objective 'to increase the proportion of climate mainstreaming to at least 20 % of the future total Union budget in 2014-2020', with contribution from different policies,
- achieving the Energy Union 2030 goals by supporting the development of long term climate and energy strategies, new policies and implementing measures targeting to cut greenhouse gas emissions by at least 40 % by 2030 and having at least 32 % of renewable energy and an energy efficiency

increase of at least 32,5 %, taking into account the Commission Communication of 22 January 2014 entitled ‘A policy framework for climate and energy in the period from 2020 to 2030’ (COM(2014) 15 final), the Commission Communication of 30 November 2016 entitled ‘Clean Energy For All Europeans’ (COM(2016) 860 final) and the Commission Communication of 28 November 2018 entitled ‘A Clean Planet for all - A European strategic long-term vision for a prosperous, modern, competitive and climate neutral economy’ (COM(2018) 773 final).

The measures financed by LIFE may be implemented through action grants, operating grants, financial instruments, procurement procedures or any other interventions that are needed (Articles 17, 18, 21 and 22 of Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013) including:

- cooperation with Eurocontrol on implementation of Union emissions trading system in aviation,
- the costs of development, maintenance, operation and support (hardware, software and services) of policy support systems, in particular but not exclusively the Union Single Registry, Union Transaction Log and the ozone-depleting substances (ODS) and fluorinated gases monitoring system.

At least 81 % of the budgetary resources for the LIFE programme shall be allocated to projects supported by the way of action grants or, where appropriate, financial instruments (Article 17(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013).

Cooperation with relevant international organisations and their institutions and bodies shall be possible where needed for the purpose of achieving the climate action objectives.

Assigned revenue received may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

As regards integrated projects, a distributional element in the selection of projects to facilitate geographical balance shall be taken into account. This is of an indicative nature and should not suggest secured funds or allocations per Member State.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the establishment of a Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 614/2007 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 185), and in particular Article 14 thereof.

Article 34 02 02 — Increasing the resilience of the Union to climate change

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
44 350 000	22 500 000	44 350 000	22 500 000	64 350 000	32 500 000	44 350 000	22 500 000	47 524 603	24 087 302

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to finance measures to support the Union’s role in the development, implementation and enforcement of policy and legislation in the area of climate change adaptation. This includes the monitoring of mainstreaming across policy areas by developing, testing and demonstrating policy or management approaches, best practices, solutions for climate change adaptation including, where appropriate, ecosystem-based approaches, improving the knowledge base of effective climate change adaptation, enhancing its capacity to apply in practice, facilitating the development and implementation of integrated approaches of strategies and action plans to adapt to the impact of climate change at local, regional or national level as well as contributing to the development and demonstration of innovative technologies, systems, methods and instruments for being replicated, transferred or mainstreamed, taking into account the following priorities:

- developing new policies and further implementation of a resilient low carbon economy in line with the Commission Communication of 16 April 2013 entitled ‘An EU strategy on adaptation to climate

change' (COM(2013) 216 final) supporting the transition towards a low carbon and climate-resilient economy and society,

- ensuring the implementation of the Union’s commitments under the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) taking into account the Commission Communication of 2 March 2016 entitled ‘The road from Paris: assessing the implications of the Paris Agreement and accompanying the proposal for a Council decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Paris agreement adopted under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change’ (COM(2016) 110 final),
- harnessing the contribution of many Union policies (in particular cohesion, agricultural, rural development, research and innovation, transport and energy programmes, external action, etc.) to climate action, in particular through mainstreaming and adaptation measures,
- developing innovative support mechanisms to fully exploit the potential of new technologies to reduce losses caused by climate-change-related events, such as severe drought, flooding and extreme climate events, as well as to develop the Union’s capacity for disaster prevention and responses,
- supporting the development of ‘climate proofing’ tools of investments, disaster risk based assessments of programmes and measures like risk insurance to enhance adaptive capacity and resilience to climate change including ‘climate tracking’ methodologies to monitor climate-related expenditure under the mainstreaming objective ‘to increase the proportion of climate mainstreaming to at least 20 % of the future total Union budget in 2014-2020’, with contribution from different policies,
- supporting the Global and regional Covenants of Mayors for climate and energy.

The measures financed by LIFE may be implemented through action grants, operating grants, financial instruments, procurement procedures or any other interventions that are needed (Articles 17, 18, 21 and 22 of Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013).

At least 81 % of the budgetary resources for the LIFE programme shall be allocated to projects supported by way of action grants or, where appropriate, financial instruments (Article 17(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013).

Cooperation with relevant international organisations and their institutions and bodies shall be possible where needed for the purpose of achieving the climate action objectives.

Assigned revenue received may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

As regards integrated projects, a distributional element in the selection of projects to facilitate geographical balance shall be taken into account. This is of an indicative nature and should not suggest secured funds or allocations per Member State.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the establishment of a Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 614/2007 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 185), and in particular Article 15 thereof.

Article 34 02 03 — Better climate governance and information at all levels

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
16 298 500	15 000 000	16 298 500	15 000 000	24 298 500	19 000 000	16 298 500	15 000 000	17 568 341	15 634 921

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to finance measures to support the Union’s role in enhancing climate governance by broadening stakeholder involvement, including non-profit-making organisations in the

development and implementation of policy, building capacity, raising awareness, promoting policies/legislation in the area of climate action and knowledge on sustainable development, supporting communication, management and dissemination of information, facilitating knowledge-sharing of successful climate solutions and practices including developing platforms among stakeholders via cooperation platforms, contributing to more effective compliance with and enforcement of climate legislation, in particular by promoting the development and dissemination of best practices and policy approaches ('success stories').

The following priorities will be taken into account:

- further implementation of the existing 'Climate and Energy' package, the achievement of the 20/20/20 climate and energy targets of the Europe 2020 strategy,
- implementing the Paris Agreement of 2015 on Climate Change and achieving the Energy Union 2030 goals by supporting the development of long term climate and energy strategies, new policies and implementing measures targeting to cut greenhouse gas emissions by at least 40 % domestically and having at least 32 % of renewable energy and an energy efficiency increase of at least 32,5 % by 2030, taking into account the Commission Communication of 22 January 2014 entitled 'A policy framework for climate and energy in the period from 2020 to 2030' (COM(2014) 15 final) and the Commission Communication of 28 November 2018 entitled 'A Clean Planet for all - A European strategic long-term vision for a prosperous, modern, competitive and climate neutral economy' (COM(2018)773 final),
- developing policies and further implementation in line with the Commission Communication of 16 April 2013 entitled 'An EU Strategy on adaptation to climate change' (COM(2013) 216 final) supporting the transition towards a low carbon and climate-resilient economy and society,
- implementing the new Regulation (EU) 2018/1999 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on the Governance of the Energy Union and Climate Action, requiring Member States to establish a 10-year integrated National Energy and Climate Plan for the period from 2021 to 2030.
- promotion of non-profit-making entities primarily active in the field of climate action at a European level and involved in the development and implementation of Union policy and legislation aiming to strengthen the participation of these NGOs in the dialogue process of climate action policymaking, in its implementation and in the European standardisation process to ensure balanced stakeholder representation and the systematic integration of climate-related aspects.

Costs of technical assistance for selecting projects and monitoring, evaluating and auditing projects under the LIFE programme (including non-profit-making organisations supported via operating grants) may also be financed by this appropriation.

The measures financed by LIFE may be implemented through action grants, operating grants, financial instruments, procurement procedures or any other interventions that are needed (Articles 17, 18, 21 and 22 of Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013).

At least 81 % of the budgetary resources for the LIFE programme shall be allocated to projects supported by way of action grants or, where appropriate, financial instruments (Article 17(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013).

Cooperation with relevant international organisations and their institutions and bodies shall be possible where needed for the purpose of achieving the climate action objectives.

Assigned revenue received may give rise to additional appropriations under this Article, in accordance with Article 22(1) of the Financial Regulation.

As regards integrated projects, a distributional element in the selection of projects to facilitate geographical balance shall be taken into account. This is of an indicative nature and should not suggest secured funds or allocations per Member State.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the establishment of a Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 614/2007 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 185), and in particular Article 16 thereof.

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Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
						p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.

Article 34 03 01 — Innovation Fund – Operational expenditure

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
						p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.

Remarks:

New article

This appropriation is intended to cover all operational expenditure needed for the implementation of the Innovation Fund (IF) by the Commission in accordance with Article 4 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/856 subject to the final decision on the delegation of the Innovation Fund.

For budget year 2020, a first call for proposals for projects in the range of EUR 1,0-1,5 billion is planned and expected to be launched at the beginning of the second half of 2020.

The necessary appropriations would be generated by the revenue arising from the auctioning, as of January 2020 of the first tranche of the 50 million emission allowances allocated to the Innovation Fund from the market stability reserve and the unspent amounts from the previous NER300 fund. Payments for projects selected from the first call are expected to be made from 2021 onwards.

Legal basis:

Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 2003 establishing a system for greenhouse gas emissions allowance trading within the Union and amending Council Directive 96/61/EC (OJ L 275, 25.10.2003, p. 32).

Reference acts:

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/856 of 26 February 2019 supplementing Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the operation of the Innovation Fund (OJ L 140, 28.5.2019, p. 6).

Commission Implementing Decision 2013/801/EU of 23 December 2013 establishing the Innovation and Networks Executive Agency and repealing Decision 2007/60/EC as amended by Decision 2008/593/EC (OJ L352, 24.12.2013, p. 65)

Proposal for a Commission Decision C(xxxx) xx of xx delegating powers to the Innovation and Networks Executive Agency with a view to the performance of tasks linked to the implementation of the Innovation Fund .

Article 40 01 42 — Contingency reserve

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
	p.m.		p.m.		p.m.		p.m.		p.m.

Article 40 02 41 — Differentiated appropriations

Draft budget 2020		Council's position 2020		EP's position 2020		Revised Draft Budget 2020		Conciliation 2020	
Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments	Commitments	Payments
110 431 306	104 888 306	481 746 000	195 603 000	213 431 306	107 888 306	143 531 306	139 988 306	68 846 000	65 303 000

1. S 03 01 02 — European GNSS Agency (GSA)

Function group and grade	European GNSS Agency (GSA)					
	2020		2019			
	Authorized under the Union budget		Actually filled as at 31 December 2018		Authorized under the Union budget	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16						
AD 15						
AD 14		1		1		1
AD 13		3		3		4
AD 12		8		1		7
AD 11		9		4		8
AD 10		16		9		17
AD 9		27		20		20
AD 8		46		32		42
AD 7		27		35		24
AD 6		4		12		6
AD 5		6		7		6
<i>AD Subtotal</i>		<i>147</i>		<i>124</i>		<i>135</i>
AST 11						
AST 10						
AST 9						
AST 8						
AST 7						
AST 6		1		1		2
AST 5		2		1		1
AST 4				1		1
AST 3				1		
AST 2						
AST 1						
<i>AST Subtotal</i>		<i>3</i>		<i>4</i>		<i>4</i>
AST/SC 6						
AST/SC 5						
AST/SC 4						
AST/SC 3						
AST/SC 2						
AST/SC 1						
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>						
Total		150		128		139
Grand total		150		128		139

2. S 03 01 15 — European Environment Agency (EEA)

Function group and grade	European Environment Agency (EEA)					
	2020		2019			
	Authorized under the Union budget		Actually filled as at 31 December 2018		Authorized under the Union budget	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16						
AD 15		1		1		1
AD 14		2				3
AD 13	1	6		1	1	6
AD 12		16	1	8		16
AD 11		10		9		10
AD 10		11		9		10
AD 9		9		11		9
AD 8		4		7		4
AD 7		3		6		1
AD 6		1		7		
AD 5		3				
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>66</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>59</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>60</i>
AST 11		2				3
AST 10	1	5		2		5
AST 9	2	12	1	5	3	12
AST 8		11	1	7		12
AST 7		11		6		12
AST 6		11		9		11
AST 5		7		10		5
AST 4		1		10		
AST 3				10		
AST 2				1		
AST 1						
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>60</i>
AST/SC 6						
AST/SC 5						
AST/SC 4						
AST/SC 3						
AST/SC 2						
AST/SC 1						
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>						
Total	4	126	3	119	4	120
Grand total		130		122		124

3. S 03 01 19 — European Medicines Agency (EMA)

Function group and grade	European Medicines Agency (EMA)					
	2020		2019			
	Authorized under the Union budget		Actually filled as at 31 December 2018		Authorized under the Union budget	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16						
AD 15		3		3		3
AD 14		8		6		7
AD 13		12		11		11
AD 12		44		42		43
AD 11		47		43		43
AD 10		44		41		43
AD 9		46		45		43
AD 8		66		59		59
AD 7		76		65		65
AD 6		46		23		23
AD 5		3				25
<i>AD Subtotal</i>		<i>395</i>		<i>338</i>		<i>365</i>
AST 11		2		2		2
AST 10		7		7		7
AST 9		8		5		7
AST 8		19		16		16
AST 7		15		22		22
AST 6		15		39		27
AST 5		39		43		35
AST 4		52		57		57
AST 3		44		46		46
AST 2				6		7
AST 1						
<i>AST Subtotal</i>		<i>201</i>		<i>243</i>		<i>226</i>
AST/SC 6						
AST/SC 5						
AST/SC 4						
AST/SC 3						
AST/SC 2						
AST/SC 1						
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>						
Total		596		581		591
Grand total		596		581		591

4. S 03 01 21 — European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol)

Function group and grade	European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol)					
	2020		2019			
	Authorized under the Union budget		Actually filled as at 31 December 2018		Authorized under the Union budget	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16						
AD 15		1		1		1
AD 14		3		1		1
AD 13		5		2		5
AD 12		11		7		11
AD 11		14		7		17
AD 10		25		15		28
AD 9		50		33		61
AD 8		84		75		94
AD 7		148		135		132
AD 6		211		262		171
AD 5		31		11		38
<i>AD Subtotal</i>		583		549		559
AST 11						
AST 10						
AST 9						
AST 8		1				3
AST 7		5		3		5
AST 6		6		4		6
AST 5		7		4		7
AST 4		7		9		7
AST 3		3				1
AST 2		3		4		3
AST 1						
<i>AST Subtotal</i>		32		24		32
AST/SC 6						
AST/SC 5						
AST/SC 4						
AST/SC 3						
AST/SC 2						
AST/SC 1						
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>						
Total		615		573		591
Grand total		615		573		591

5. S 03 01 31 — European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)

Function group and grade	European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)					
	2020		2019			
	Authorized under the Union budget		Actually filled as at 31 December 2018		Authorized under the Union budget	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16						
AD 15		1				1
AD 14						
AD 13		22				22
AD 12						
AD 11		1				1
AD 10		2				2
AD 9		2				2
AD 8		2				2
AD 7	2	5				3
AD 6		1				
AD 5		1				
<i>AD Subtotal</i>	2	37				31
AST 11						
AST 10						
AST 9						
AST 8						
AST 7						
AST 6						
AST 5		3				3
AST 4	2					
AST 3		3				3
AST 2						
AST 1						
<i>AST Subtotal</i>	2	6				6
AST/SC 6						
AST/SC 5						
AST/SC 4						
AST/SC 3						
AST/SC 2						
AST/SC 1						
<i>AST/SC Subtotal</i>						
Total	4	43				37
Grand total		47				37

Article A2 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
60 826 000	60 626 000	60 826 000	60 826 000	60 178 000

Item A2 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
1 831 000	1 831 000	1 831 000	1 831 000	1 829 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure:

- the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of Title IV of the Conditions of Employment), the institution's social insurance scheme covering contract staff, as described in Title IV, and the cost of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,
- expenditure incurred (remuneration, insurance, etc.) through the use of private-law contract external staff and agency staff,
- the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignments to the Office and supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of officials to national civil services or international organisations,
- the cost of any adjustments to remuneration approved by the Council during the financial year,
- personnel costs included in service contracts for technical and administrative subcontracting, supplementary assistance and the supply of intellectual services.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Rules of appointment and payment and other financial terms laid down by the Commission.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Article A3 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
42 985 000	42 985 000	42 985 000	42 985 000	42 532 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover, for officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

- salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,
- accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,
- unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments by the institution to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,
- miscellaneous allowances and grants,
- travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the institution or transfer to another place of employment,
- installation and resettlement allowances due to officials and temporary staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the institution and resettling elsewhere,
- removal expenses due to officials and temporary staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the institution and resettling elsewhere,
- the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,
- the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item A3 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
2 465 000	2 465 000	2 465 000	2 465 000	2 466 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure:

- the remuneration of contract staff (within the meaning of Title IV of the Conditions of Employment), including the one made available to the secretariat of the Supervisory Committee, the institution's social insurance scheme covering contract staff, as described in Title IV, and the cost of weightings applicable to the remuneration of such staff,

- expenditure incurred (remuneration, insurance, etc.) through the use of private-law contract external staff and agency staff,
- personnel costs included in service contracts for technical and administrative subcontracting,
- the cost of national civil servants or other experts on secondment or temporary assignment to the Office and supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of officials to national civil services or international organisations,
- the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Article A4 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
10 547 000	10 547 000	10 547 000	10 547 000	10 431 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover, for officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

- salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,
- accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,
- unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,
- miscellaneous allowances and grants,
- the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,
- travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the institution or transfer to another place of employment,
- installation and resettlement allowances due to officials and temporary staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,
- removal expenses due to officials and temporary staff obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,
- the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year,
- the flat-rate allowances and payments at hourly rates for overtime worked by officials in category AST and by local staff who could not be given compensatory leave in accordance with the procedures laid down,
- daily subsistence allowance for officials and temporary staff who furnish evidence that they must change their place of residence on taking up duty or transferring to a new place of employment,
- supplementary expenses arising from the secondment of Union officials, i.e. to pay the allowances and reimburse the expenditure to which secondment entitles them. It is also intended to cover costs relating to special training schemes with authorities and bodies in the Member States and third countries.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Article A5 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
17 921 000	17 921 000	17 921 000	17 921 000	17 730 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover, for officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

- salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,
- accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,
- unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,
- miscellaneous allowances and grants,
- the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,
- travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the institution or transfer to another place of employment,
- installation and resettlement allowances due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,
- removal expenses due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,
- the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item A5 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
12 682 000	12 382 000	12 682 000	12 682 000	12 480 000

Item A5 01 02 11 — Other management expenditure

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
237 000	237 000	237 000	237 000	237 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure:

- travel expenses, daily subsistence allowances and additional or exceptional expenditure incurred in connection with missions by staff covered by the Staff Regulations and by national or international experts or officials on secondment,

- reimbursement of costs incurred by persons officially representing the Office (reimbursement is not possible for expenses incurred in the performance of representation duties vis-à-vis staff of the Commission or other Union institutions),
- travel, subsistence and incidental expenses of experts participating in study groups and working parties, and the cost of organising such meetings where they are not covered by the existing infrastructure in the headquarters of the institutions or external offices (experts are reimbursed on the basis of decisions made by the Commission),
- the cost of refreshments and food served on special occasions during internal meetings,
- miscellaneous expenditure relating to conferences, congresses and meetings in which the Office participates or which it organises,
- expenditure on specialised studies and consultations contracted out to highly qualified experts (natural or legal persons) if the Office does not have suitable staff available to carry out such studies, including the purchase of studies already conducted,
- expenditure on training for improving staff skills and the performance and efficiency of the Office:
 - fees for experts employed to identify training needs, design, develop and hold courses, and evaluate and monitor results,
 - fees for consultants in various fields, in particular organisational methods, management, strategy, quality and personnel management,
 - the cost of attending external training and of joining the relevant professional organisations,
- expenditure related to the practical aspects of organising courses, the use of premises, transport, meals and accommodation for participants in residential courses,
- training expenditure related to publications and information, associated Internet sites and the purchase of teaching equipment, subscriptions and licences for distance teaching, books, press and multimedia products,
- financing of teaching aids.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Rules governing designation and remuneration and other financial conditions adopted by the Commission.

Article A6 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
37 571 000	37 571 000	37 571 000	37 571 000	37 162 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover, for officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

- salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,
- accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,
- unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,
- miscellaneous allowances and grants,
- the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,
- travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the institution or transfer to another place of employment,
- installation and resettlement allowances due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,
- removal expenses due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,
- the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

The amount of assigned revenue in accordance with Article 21(3) of the Financial Regulation is estimated at EUR 1 000 000.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item A6 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
32 127 000	31 427 000	32 127 000	32 127 000	31 932 000

Item A6 01 02 11 — Other management expenditure

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
415 000	415 000	415 000	415 000	415 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover the following expenditure:

- travel expenses, daily subsistence allowances and additional or exceptional expenditure incurred in connection with missions by staff covered by the Staff Regulations and by national or international experts or officials on secondment,
- reimbursement of costs incurred by persons officially representing the Office (reimbursement is not possible for expenses incurred in the performance of representation duties vis-à-vis staff of the Commission or other Union institutions),
- travel, subsistence and incidental expenses of experts participating in study groups and working parties, and the cost of organising such meetings where they are not covered by the existing infrastructure in the headquarters of the institutions or external offices (experts are reimbursed on the basis of decisions made by the Commission),
- the cost of refreshments and food served on special occasions during internal meetings,
- miscellaneous expenditure relating to conferences, congresses and meetings in which the Office participates,
- expenditure on specialised studies and consultations contracted out to highly qualified experts (natural or legal persons) if the Office does not have suitable staff available to carry out such studies,
- expenditure on training for improving staff skills and the performance and efficiency of the Office:
 - fees for experts employed to identify training needs, design, develop and hold courses and evaluate and monitor results,
 - fees for consultants in various fields, in particular organisational methods, management, strategy, quality and personnel management,
 - the cost of attending external training and of joining the relevant professional organisations,
- expenditure related to the practical aspects of organising courses, the use of premises, transport, meals and accommodation for participants in residential courses,
- training expenditure related to publications and information, associated internet sites and the purchase of teaching equipment, subscriptions and licences for distance teaching, books, press and multimedia products,
- financing of teaching aids.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Rules governing designation and remuneration and other financial conditions adopted by the Commission.

Article A7 01 01 — Expenditure related to officials and temporary staff

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
12 844 000	12 844 000	12 844 000	12 844 000	12 708 000

Remarks:

This appropriation is intended to cover, for officials and temporary staff holding posts on the establishment plan:

- salaries, allowances and payments related to salaries,
- accident and sickness insurance and other social security charges,
- unemployment insurance for temporary staff and payments to constitute or maintain pension rights for them in their country of origin,
- miscellaneous allowances and grants,
- the cost of weightings applied to the remuneration of officials and temporary staff and the cost of weightings applied to the part of emoluments transferred to a country other than the country of employment,
- travel expenses due to officials and temporary staff (including their families) on taking up duty, leaving the institution or transfer to another place of employment,
- installation and resettlement allowances due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,
- removal expenses due to officials obliged to change their place of residence on taking up duty, on transfer to a new place of employment and on finally leaving the service and resettling elsewhere,
- the cost of any updates of remuneration during the financial year.

Legal basis:

Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union.

Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union.

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

Item A7 01 02 01 — External personnel

Draft budget 2020	Council's position 2020	EP's position 2020	Revised Draft Budget 2020	Conciliation 2020
8 390 000	8 190 000	8 390 000	8 390 000	8 375 000