

Newsletter

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TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER - 11.00 - 12.00 AND 15.00 - 18.00
(JÓZSEF ANTALL (6Q2))

HIGHLIGHTS



1365 amendments were tabled in total to the Council's reading on the Draft Budget 2020 by members and committees and by political groups. The General Rapporteur for Section III, Monika Hohlmeier and the Rapporteur for the Other Sections, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, will lead the discussion in committee in order to find a common approach and compromise proposals ahead of the vote.

*** VOTING TIME ***

2019 Transfers - Section III - Commission

No transfer requests received

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2019 Transfers - Other Sections

Ombudsman: 5/2019

This transfer intended to reinforce the budget Articles:

-Article 103 "Pensions" by EUR 3 000, in order to cover the contribution to the **former members' sickness insurance that is to be paid to the Commission within the year-end**. Changes in the personal situation of former members has brought about an increase in the requested contributions.

-Article 231 "Translations" by EUR 15 000, in order to cover the translation costs in several or all EU official languages of documents with high public interest.

That increase in appropriations has been made possible as a result of savings in the Article 303 "Meetings in general" and Item 3210 "Communication and publications".

No other transfer requests received

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Vote Plenary: October 2019

Building Policy

No requests received

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*** END OF VOTE***

Presentation of Brexit contingency plan

BUDG Members will debate the contingency measures on implementation and financing of the EU budget in 2020 in the event of a 'no-deal' Brexit, proposed by the Commission. If this extension of the 2019 contingency Budget Regulation were to be adopted, the UK and UK beneficiaries would remain eligible to participate in programmes under the EU budget and to receive financing until the end of 2020, provided the UK accepts and fulfils the conditions set out in the Regulation, pays its budget contributions for 2020 and allows the required audits and controls to take place. Parliament needs to give its consent before Council can adopt these measures. The vote in committee is scheduled to take place on 6-7 November 2019.

The debate will also cover the Commission's proposals to make funding available from the European Solidarity Fund and the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund to support businesses, workers and Member States most affected by a 'no deal' scenario.



Rapporteur: tbc

General budget of the European Union for the financial year 2020 - All sections Exchange of views on budgetary amendments

1365 amendments were tabled in total **to the Council's reading on the Draft Budget 2020** by members and committees (by 5 September) and by political groups (by 12 September).

In July, the Commission tabled its Draft Budget for the year 2020, amounting to EUR 167 683, 9 million in commitment appropriations (+1,3% compared to 2019, including the amending budgets) and EUR 153 202,2 million in payment appropriations (+3,5%).

On 10 July, the Council carried out its reading and cut down commitment appropriations by EUR - 1, 51 billion in commitments (- 0,90 % compared to the DB). Its position correspond to a nominal increase in commitments by + 0,58 % under the 2014-2020 MFF headings.

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Adoption BUDG:
30 September - 3 October

Deadline for Amendments to the
Resolution: 8 October -14:00

Adoption of BUDG Resolution:
14 October

PLEN Deadline for Amendments
to the resolution + Trilogue:
16 October

Vote Plenary: 23 October

First Conciliation: 4 November
(pm)

Trilogue: 5 November

Potential Vote Plenary of joint
text : 27 November

Exchange of views on Institutions' building policy:

European Commission

Under the Financial Regulation, the Institutions must provide the Committee on Budgets a yearly report on their building policy. The exchange of views will be the first time in the new parliamentary term for members of the Committee to get to grips with the Commission's building policy.

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Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027 and Own Resources

The Parliament's negotiating team on the multiannual financial framework (MFF) and own resources (OR) has been re-established following the European elections. It has immediately resumed business, notably exchanges with the Finnish presidency of the Council ahead and after the General Affairs Council of **16 September, on the basis of the position set out in detail in the Parliament's** interim report of 14 November 2018. The negotiation of the MFF for 2021-2027 and the reform of the Own Resources system are key issues for the new Parliament, also in the light of the entry into office of a new European Commission.

The negotiating team will introduce the first exchange of views of this legislative term on the MFF/OR package.

Negotiating team:

- Johan Van Overtveldt, Chair
- Jan Olbrycht (EPP)
MFF Co-Rapporteur
- Margarida Marques ((S&D)
MFF Co-Rapporteur
- Jose Manuel Fernandes (EPP)
OR Co-Rapporteur
- Valérie Hayer (Renew)
OR Co-Rapporteur
- Rasmus Andresen, Member
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NEXT MEETINGS

30 September - 3 October 2019 (Brussels)

NEWS FROM POLICY DEPARTMENT D

Recent publications

BUDG

- Study - "Mainstreaming Innovation Funding in the EU Budget"
- Study - "Protection of EU financial interest on customs and VAT: cooperation of national tax and customs authorities to prevent fraud"
- Study - "**Gender Responsive EU Budgeting. Update of the study 'The EU Budget for Gender Equality' and review of its conclusions and recommendations**"
- At a Glance - "The next MFF and Own Resources"
- In-depth Analysis - "**The History of the EU Budget**"

CONT

- Study - "Performance Indicators for Convergence in Regional Development - How reliable are they to ensure Targeted and Result-Oriented spending?"
- Study - "**Appointment of the Commission's Secretary General in 2018**"
- Study - "Appointment procedures in the EU institutions"
- Study - "Aligning the budget with the Performance-Based Budgeting: lessons from Member States"
- Study - "Effectiveness of cohesion policy: learning from the project characteristics that produce the best results"
- Study - "**The European Public Prosecutor's Office: Strategies for coping with complexity**"
- In-depth Analysis - "Gaps and Errors in the TED database"
- In-depth Analysis "**Follow up to the 2009 and 2014 Studies on the Code of Conduct for Commissioners - Improving Effectiveness and Efficiency**"

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