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OPINION

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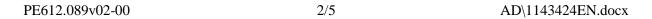
for the Committee on Budgetary Control

on discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work for the financial year 2016 (2017/2152(DEC))

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SUGGESTIONS

The Committee on Employment and Social Affairs calls on the Committee on Budgetary Control, as the committee responsible, to incorporate the following suggestions into its motion for a resolution:

- 1. Expresses its satisfaction that the Court of Auditors has declared the transactions underlying the Agency's annual accounts for the financial year 2016 to be legal and regular and that its financial position as at 31 December 2016 is fairly represented;
- 2. Appreciates the Agency's activities and analysis on occupational safety and health which contribute to Union policy-making aiming to promote healthy and safe workplaces across the Union; notes its on-going work packages on supporting medium, small and micro enterprises (MSEs), with MSE-specific tools and guidelines to address knowledge gaps and facilitate better OSH compliance;
- 3. Acknowledges the high budget implementation rate (96,3 %) but notes a slight decrease compared to 2015 (98 %);
- 4. Notes that the level of committed appropriations carried over to 2016 was high for Title II (30,2 %) and increased compared to the previous year (26 %); notes that those carry-overs mainly concern IT services which were not been fully delivered or invoiced by the end of the year; notes that the level of committed appropriations carried over to 2016 was also high for Title III (43 %) and represents an increase compared to 2015 (41 %); notes that those carry-overs mainly concern research projects and studies with a duration of more than one year; notes the Court's comment that the Agency could consider using differentiated budget appropriations in order to address high carry-over rates and reflect the multi-annual nature of operations;
- 5. Welcomes the Agency's follow-up measures in relation to the comments of the discharge authority made regarding the implementation of the budget of previous years; further welcomes the Agency's rapid application of the Court's advice regarding ICT and consultancy framework contracts as an area to improve in the discharge for 2016;
- 6. Welcomes the good cooperation among the Agencies working in the field of employment, social affairs and inclusion and particularly the cooperation between the Agency, Eurofound, Cedefop and EIGE regarding the report 'Towards age-friendly work in Europe: a life course perspective on work and ageing from EU agencies';
- 7. Notes that the Agency continued adopting implementing rules further to the reform of the Staff Regulations that came into force on 1 January 2014;
- 8. Takes note of the revision of the Agency's founding Regulation (Council Regulation (EC) No 2062/94¹), and welcomes the inclusion by Parliament and the Commission of an explicit reference to the use of external audit reports and evaluations.

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¹ Council Regulation (EC) No 2062/94 of 18 July 1994 establishing a European Agency for Safety and Health at

INFORMATION ON ADOPTION IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

Date adopted	23.1.2018
Result of final vote	+: 42 -: 8 0: 0
Members present for the final vote	Guillaume Balas, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Enrique Calvet Chambon, David Casa, Ole Christensen, Michael Detjen, Martina Dlabajová, Lampros Fountoulis, Arne Gericke, Marian Harkin, Czesław Hoc, Agnes Jongerius, Rina Ronja Kari, Jan Keller, Ádám Kósa, Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Jean Lambert, Jérôme Lavrilleux, Jeroen Lenaers, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Javi López, Thomas Mann, Dominique Martin, Anthea McIntyre, Joëlle Mélin, Elisabeth Morin-Chartier, Emilian Pavel, João Pimenta Lopes, Georgi Pirinski, Marek Plura, Dennis Radtke, Terry Reintke, Claude Rolin, Siôn Simon, Romana Tomc, Ulrike Trebesius, Marita Ulvskog, Tatjana Ždanoka
Substitutes present for the final vote	Georges Bach, Lynn Boylan, Rosa D'Amato, Tania González Peñas, Krzysztof Hetman, Paloma López Bermejo, António Marinho e Pinto, Edouard Martin, Ivari Padar, Flavio Zanonato
Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote	Geoffroy Didier, Morten Messerschmidt

FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

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ALDE	Enrique Calvet Chambon, Martina Dlabajová, Marian Harkin, António Marinho e Pinto
EFDD	Rosa D'Amato
GUE/NGL	Lynn Boylan, Tania González Peñas, Rina Ronja Kari, Paloma López Bermejo, João Pimenta Lopes
PPE	Georges Bach, David Casa, Geoffroy Didier, Krzysztof Hetman, Ádám Kósa, Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Jérôme Lavrilleux, Jeroen Lenaers, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Thomas Mann, Elisabeth Morin-Chartier, Marek Plura, Dennis Radtke, Claude Rolin, Romana Tomc
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VERTS/ALE	Jean Lambert, Terry Reintke, Tatjana Ždanoka

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ECR	Arne Gericke, Czesław Hoc, Anthea McIntyre, Morten Messerschmidt, Ulrike Trebesius
ENF	Dominique Martin, Joëlle Mélin
NI	Lampros Fountoulis

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