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# **AMENDMENTS**

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**Draft opinion**

**Petr Ježek**

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Discharge 2015: European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)  
(2016/2163(DEC))



**Amendment 1**  
**Eleftherios Synadinos**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 1**

*Draft opinion*

1. **Welcomes** the Court of Auditors' conclusions that the annual accounts of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (“the Agency”) present fairly its financial position on 31 December 2015 and that its transactions are legal and regular;

*Amendment*

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Or. el

**Amendment 2**  
**Monica Macovei, Patricija Šulin**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

2. Welcomes the **very** low level of cancelled carry-overs (less than 2 %) and the **very** high level of consumption of its Union subsidies (99 %); agrees that this is an indicator of good planning and management; notes, however, that the level of carry-overs of committed appropriations **was high** (70 %) for expenditures **but acknowledges that this is as a result of the nature of activities of the Agency that involve procuring studies that span over many months, often beyond year-end**;

*Amendment*

2. Welcomes the low level of cancelled carry-overs (less than 2 %) and the high level of consumption of its Union subsidies (99 %); agrees that this is an indicator of good planning and management **if the consumption includes beneficial and necessary activities**; notes, however, that the level of carry-overs of committed appropriations (70 %) for expenditures **was high; a multi-annual funding planning would cover the activities and studies that span over more years; calls on the Agency to eliminate any ineffective budget planning**;

Or. en

**Amendment 3**  
**Eleftherios Synadinos**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 2**

*Draft opinion*

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*Amendment*

2. Welcomes the very low level of cancelled carry-overs (less than 2 %) and the very high level of consumption of its Union subsidies (99 %); agrees that this is an indicator of good planning and management; *stresses*, however, that the level of carry-overs of committed appropriations was *exceptionally* high (70 %) for expenditures but acknowledges that this is as a result of the nature of activities of the Agency that involve procuring studies that span over many months, often beyond year-end;

Or. el

**Amendment 4**  
**Eleftherios Synadinos**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. *Welcomes* that during 2015, the Agency strongly focused on fundamental rights challenges arising from the *significant* increase in refugees and migrants coming to the Union; *acknowledges especially that the Agency considerably stepped up its activities in the area of immigration and integration of migrants, visa and border control and asylum procedures;*

*Amendment*

3. *Notes* that during 2015, the Agency strongly focused on fundamental rights challenges arising from the *excessive* increase in refugees and *irregular* migrants coming to the Union;

Or. el

**Amendment 5**  
**Gilles Lebreton, Marine Le Pen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3**

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*Amendment*

3. **Notes** that during 2015, the Agency strongly focused on fundamental rights challenges arising from the significant increase in refugees and migrants coming to the Union;

Or. fr

**Amendment 6**  
**Barbara Spinelli**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

3. Welcomes that during 2015, the Agency strongly focused on fundamental rights challenges **arising from the significant increase in** refugees and migrants coming to the Union; acknowledges especially that the Agency considerably stepped up its activities in the area of immigration and integration of migrants, visa and border control and asylum procedures;

*Amendment*

3. Welcomes that during 2015, the Agency strongly focused on fundamental rights challenges **increasingly faced by as demonstrated notably by the FRA opinion on fundamental rights in the 'hotspots' set up in Greece and Italy;** acknowledges especially that the Agency considerably stepped up its activities in the area of immigration and integration of migrants, visa and border control and asylum procedures;

Or. en

**Amendment 7**  
**Valdemar Tomaševski**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

3. Welcomes **that** during 2015, the Agency strongly focused on fundamental rights challenges arising from the significant increase in refugees and migrants coming to the Union; acknowledges especially that the Agency considerably stepped up its activities in the area of immigration and integration of migrants, visa and border control and asylum procedures;

3. Welcomes **the fact that**, during 2015, the Agency strongly focused on fundamental rights challenges arising from the significant increase in refugees and migrants – **including refugees crossing borders illegally** – coming to the Union; acknowledges especially that the Agency considerably stepped up its activities in the area of immigration and integration of migrants, visa and border control and asylum procedures;

Or. pl

**Amendment 8**  
**Eva Joly**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3**

*Draft opinion*

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*Amendment*

3. Welcomes that during 2015, the Agency strongly focused on fundamental rights challenges **increasingly faced by** refugees and migrants coming to the Union; acknowledges especially that the Agency considerably stepped up its activities in the area of immigration and integration of migrants, visa and border control and asylum procedures;

Or. en

**Amendment 9**  
**Soraya Post**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

**3 a. Welcomes that in 2015 the Agency continued with its research on the situation of Roma in the Union, and thus contributed to monitoring the efficiency**

*Amendment*

*and shortcomings of the integration policies of the Union and those of its Member States; especially welcomes the research-based policy recommendations of the Agency concerning the successful fight against anti-Gypsyism and fight for the social inclusion of Roma.*

Or. en

**Amendment 10**  
**Eva Joly**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

*3 a. Regrets that the Agency's mandate still limits its role in support of fundamental rights; underlines that the Agency should be able to offer opinions on legislative proposals on its own initiative and that its remit should extend to all areas of rights protected under the Charter, including, for instance, issues of police and judicial cooperation;*

Or. en

**Amendment 11**  
**Tomáš Zdechovský, Monika Hohlmeier, Patricija Šulin**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

4. Welcomes the solid output of the Agency; notes that it organised 60 events bringing together its key partners and stakeholders to discuss fundamental rights issues in various thematic areas; acknowledges that the Agency offered its expertise at 240 presentations and hearings and that it published its research in 32 reports and papers; recalls that the Agency

4. Welcomes the solid output of the Agency; notes that it organised 60 events bringing together its key partners and stakeholders to discuss fundamental rights issues in various thematic areas; acknowledges that the Agency offered its expertise at 240 presentations and hearings and that it published its research in 32 reports and papers; recalls that the Agency

formulated 122 opinions in response to requests from Member States, Union institutions and other international organisations;

formulated 122 opinions in response to requests from Member States, Union institutions and other international organisations; ***further welcomes its proactive approach towards the European Parliament;***

Or. en

**Amendment 12**  
**Eleftherios Synadinos**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. ***Welcomes*** the solid output of the Agency; notes that it organised 60 events bringing together its key partners and stakeholders to discuss fundamental rights issues in various thematic areas; acknowledges that the Agency offered its expertise at 240 presentations and hearings and that it published its research in 32 reports and papers; ***recalls*** that the Agency formulated 122 opinions in response to requests from Member States, Union institutions and other international organisations;

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Or. el

**Amendment 13**  
**Gilles Lebreton, Marine Le Pen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 4**

*Draft opinion*

4. ***Welcomes the solid output of the Agency;*** notes that it organised 60 events bringing together its key partners and stakeholders to discuss fundamental rights issues in various thematic areas; acknowledges that the Agency offered its

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**Amendment 14**  
**Gilles Lebreton, Marine Le Pen**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

5. ***Welcomes the continued*** efforts of ***the Agency*** to present its findings in an accessible manner via social media platforms, ***reaching a wide audience; strongly encourages further dissemination of the works of the Agency via online platforms.***

*Amendment*

5. ***Notes the Agency's*** efforts to present its findings in an accessible manner via social media platforms;

Or. fr

**Amendment 15**  
**Eleftherios Synadinos**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5**

*Draft opinion*

5. Welcomes the ***continued*** efforts of the Agency to present its findings in an accessible manner via social media platforms, ***reaching a wide audience; strongly*** encourages further dissemination of the works of the Agency via online platforms.

*Amendment*

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Or. el

**Amendment 16**  
**Monica Macovei, Patricija Šulin**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 – point a (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**(a) Calls on the Agency to adopt internal binding rules for the protection of whistle-blowers according to Article 22c of the EU Staff Regulations which came into force on 1 January 2014.**

Or. en

**Amendment 17**  
**Monica Macovei, Patricija Šulin**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 – point b (new)**

*Draft opinion*

*Amendment*

**(b) Welcomes the publication of declaration of interests and CVs of its Management Board members and deplors that the CVs of the alternate members of the Management Board from Bulgaria, Belgium, Denmark, Estonia, Greece, Croatia, Netherlands, Poland, Council of Europe, UK and the European Commission are not publicly available; recalls that the transparency is a key element for upholding the trust of the Union citizens in Union institutions; calls on the Agency to draft and submit to the discharge authority a track record of cases of conflict of interest identified;**

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**Amendment 18**  
**Barbara Spinelli**

**Draft opinion**  
**Paragraph 5 a (new)**

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***5 a. Recommends the inclusion of the proposed new thematic areas of police cooperation and judicial cooperation in criminal matters in the new Multiannual Framework, currently under negotiation. Following the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon, police cooperation and judicial cooperation in criminal matters have become part of the law of the Union and are therefore covered by the scope of the tasks of the Agency***

Or. en