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*Committee on Employment and Social Affairs*

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**2015/2169(DEC)**

26.1.2016

# OPINION

of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

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 2014  
(2015/2169(DEC))

Rapporteur: David Casa

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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 account for the financial year 2014 to be legal and regular in all material respects and that its financial position as of 31 December 2014 is fairly represented;
2. Recognizes the key role of the Agency for the implementation of the EU Strategic Framework on Health and Safety at Work 2014-2020;
3. Notes that 2014 was the first year of the of the Agency's new multiannual strategic programme for the years 2014-2020; appreciates the positive indications regarding the Agency's achievements during the first year of the strategy in the following priority areas defined in the strategy: anticipating change, facts and figures, tools for occupational safety and health management, awareness raising, networking knowledge and corporate communication;
4. Welcomes the active cooperation between the Agency and the relevant Member States' authorities;
5. Acknowledges that the implementation rate of the budget remained high in 2014 (99 %), indicating that commitments were made in a timely manner; notes however the carry-over level in Title II (34 %) has further increased from the previous year, which mainly resulted from the purchase of goods and services at the end of the year in connection with the Agency's fitting out of its new premises, with the renewal of annual IT contracts and the cost of audit services;
6. Welcomes the inauguration of the new premises of the Agency, which provides staff with more space and better working conditions and visitors with better meeting facilities; and which furthermore has resulted in substantial savings on rent; welcomes that the seat agreement with the Spanish authorities secures the Agency's home in the long term;
7. Commends the work of the agency in developing an online interactive risk assessment tool and its efforts through the Healthy Workplaces Campaign to strengthen risk prevention and promote sustainable and healthy workplaces.

## RESULT OF FINAL VOTE IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

<b>Date adopted</b>	25.1.2016
<b>Result of final vote</b>	+: 34 -: 8 0: 0
<b>Members present for the final vote</b>	Laura Agea, Guillaume Balas, Enrique Calvet Chambon, David Casa, Ole Christensen, Jane Collins, Lampros Fountoulis, Arne Gericke, Thomas Händel, Marian Harkin, Czesław Hoc, Rina Ronja Kari, Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Kostadinka Kuneva, Jean Lambert, Jérôme Lavrilleux, Jeroen Lenaers, Dominique Martin, Anthea McIntyre, Joëlle Mélin, Elisabeth Morin-Chartier, Emilian Pavel, Georgi Pirinski, Terry Reintke, Sofia Ribeiro, Claude Rolin, Sven Schulze, Jutta Steinruck, Romana Tomc, Renate Weber, Tatjana Ždanoka, Jana Žitánská
<b>Substitutes present for the final vote</b>	Maria Arena, Amjad Bashir, Lynn Boylan, Miapetra Kumpula-Natri, Paloma López Bermejo, Edouard Martin, Evelyn Regner, Michaela Šojdrová
<b>Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote</b>	Eleonora Evi, Anneli Jäätteenmäki