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AMENDMENTS

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Draft report
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on the discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget of the
European Chemicals Agency for the financial year 2013
(2014/2116(DEC))

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Amendment 1
Tomáš Zdechovský

Proposal for a decision 1
Paragraph 1

Proposal for a decision

1. Grants the Executive Director of the European Chemicals Agency discharge in respect of the implementation of the Agency's budget for the financial year 2013 / *Postpones its decision on granting the Executive Director of the European Chemicals Agency discharge in respect of the implementation of the Agency's budget for the financial year 2013;*

Amendment

1. Grants the Executive Director of the European Chemicals Agency discharge in respect of the implementation of the Agency's budget for the financial year 2013;

Or. en

Amendment 2
Richard Ashworth, Beata Gosiewska, Richard Sulík

Proposal for a decision 1
Paragraph 1

Proposal for a decision

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Amendment

1. Postpones its decision on granting the Executive Director of the European Chemicals Agency discharge in respect of the implementation of the Agency's budget for the financial year 2013;

Or. en

Amendment 3
Tomáš Zdechovský

Proposal for a decision 2
Paragraph 2

Proposal for a decision

2. Approves the closure of the accounts of the European Chemicals Agency for the financial year 2013 / ***Postpones the closure of the accounts of the European Chemicals Agency for the financial year 2013;***

Amendment

2. Approves the closure of the accounts of the European Chemicals Agency for the financial year 2013;

Or. en

Amendment 4
Richard Ashworth, Beata Gosiewska, Richard Sulík

Proposal for a decision 2
Paragraph 2

Proposal for a decision

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Amendment

2. Postpones the closure of the accounts of the European Chemicals Agency for the financial year 2013;

Or. en

Amendment 5
Zigmantas Bal ytis

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Notes with concern that the level of committed appropriations carried over to 2014 remained high at 46 % for Titles III, IV and V (operational expenses); acknowledges however from the Court's

Amendment

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report that these carry-overs were mainly as a result of the multiannual nature of planned IT development projects, costs for translations ordered but not received by year-end and substance evaluations for which the regulatory deadline was February 2014;

report that these carry-overs were mainly as a result of the multiannual nature of planned IT development projects, costs for translations ordered but not received by year-end and substance evaluations for which the regulatory deadline was February 2014; ***calls on the Agency to continue to be attentive to the level of carry-overs in operational titles;***

Or. en

Amendment 6
Monica Macovei

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Prevention and management of conflict of interests

Deeply regrets that the Agency failed to respect 2014 Parliament's recommendation and did not include a specific chapter on prevention and management of conflict of interests in its Annual Activity Report;

Expresses its disappointment towards the agency's lack of action with this respect and notes that out of the four Agencies requested to introduce a new chapter on prevention and management of conflict of interests in their Annual Activity Reports, the Court is the only one which did not comply with this obligation;

Therefore we urge the Agency to comply with this obligation until the end of June 2015;

Or. en

Amendment 7
Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 3 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

***Prevention and management of conflicts
of interests and transparency***

Or. en

Amendment 8
Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

***4 a. Notes that the Agency followed the
recommendations in the Special Report of
the Court on the management of conflict
of interests in selected EU agencies and
expects the Agency to strictly apply them;***

Or. en

Amendment 9
Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

***4 b. Notes with concern that the Agency
grants registration numbers - the pre-
condition for being allowed to continue
the manufacture or the placing on the
market of a chemical substance - after a
simple automated completeness check,
however, it does not withdraw registration***

numbers even when manifest and persistent non-compliance of registration dossiers has been found;

Or. en

Amendment 10
Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4 c. Notes with concern the high level of non-compliant registration dossiers and that the Agency refrains from naming and shaming non-compliant companies;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

5 a. Notes the Agency's discussion platform with non-governmental organizations as a useful forum to discuss topical issues of interest for civil society;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6

Motion for a resolution

6. Notes the actions taken in order to improve communication between the Agency and its beneficiaries; observes in this regard the development of IT tools such as Frequently Asked Questions or technical guidance and the publication of a roadmap in the run-up to the registration deadline, as well as support for national help-desks;

Amendment

6. Notes the actions taken in order to improve communication between the Agency and its beneficiaries; observes in this regard the development of IT tools such as Frequently Asked Questions or technical guidance and the publication of a roadmap in the run-up to the registration deadline, as well as support for national help-desks; ***considers that Agency should reach out more to downstream users;***

Or. en

Amendment 13

Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

6 a. Notes with concern that the Commission has stopped following up on the Agency's recommendations on substitution of substances of very high concern in 2013 in the context of authorisation pursuant to REACH; is concerned that this unilateral moratorium not only undermines one of the pillars of REACH, but also jeopardizes the building up of proper staff competences in the Agency;

Or. en

Amendment 14

Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Notes ***the introduction of*** the authorisation process as part of the REACH Regulation in order to stimulate the substitution of the most hazardous chemicals and innovation by swapping them for safer alternatives;

Amendment

7. Notes ***with concern the way the Agency applies*** the authorisation process as part of the REACH Regulation, ***with a focus above all on providing help to companies to obtain an authorisation for the use of substances of very high concern rather than help companies at least to the same extent*** in order to stimulate the substitution of the most hazardous chemicals and innovation by swapping them for safer alternatives;

Or. en

Amendment 15
Benedek Jávor

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment 16
Tomáš Zdechovský

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7 a. Notes with concern that the Agency does not properly assess confidentiality claims in the context of authorisation applications;

Or. en

Amendment

12 a. Welcomes the exemplary measures taken by the Agency with regard to cost-effective and environment-friendly solutions; encourages the Agency to

continue the good practice;

Or. en