

Amendment 118/rev

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Statute and funding of European political parties and European political foundations
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Proposal for a regulation**Article 28 – paragraph 1 – introductory part***Text proposed by the Commission*

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Justification

Control of EU expenditure is essential. However at the moment expenditure by European Parties and European Political Foundations is controlled by an external Auditor, by DG Finance and by the Authority for European Parties and Foundations (APPF). The European Commission usually applies the norm that the costs of control of EU funding are around 2% vis a vis the amount that is controlled. The budget of the APPF is 2,3% in 2022 and 4,3% in 2023 compared to the overall budget of European Parties and Foundations and a significant part is meant for control of this funding. Most of the related costs of DG Finance (which are not readily available but are likely significant) are for controls of the same funding. The costs of the Auditor are 0,7% vis a vis the amount controlled (2022 & 2023). The total costs for 2023 are increasing to between 4% and 6% vis a vis the controlled funding and need to return to acceptable levels. Costs can be saved by avoiding replication of work done by the External Auditor and avoiding replication of other controls currently done by both DG Finance and APPF.

