



# NOTULEN

Vergadering van 24 januari 2022, 13.45-14.15 uur (constituerende vergadering) en  
14.15-15.30 uur en 16.45-17.45 uur,

en 25 januari 2022, 9.00-12.00 en 13.45-14.45 uur

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De vergadering wordt op maandag 24 januari 2022 om 13.45 uur geopend onder  
voorzitterschap van Monika Hohlmeier (voorlopige voorzitter).

**24 januari 2022, 13.45 - 14.15 uur (constituerende vergadering)**

*Opening van de vergadering onder het voorlopige voorzitterschap*

**1. Verkiezing van de voorzitter**

Monika Hohlmeier (PPE, DE) wordt bij acclamatie tot voorzitter van CONT gekozen.

*Onder het nieuwgekozen voorzitterschap*

**2. Verkiezing van de eerste ondervoorzitter**

Isabel García Muñoz (S&D, ES) wordt bij acclamatie tot eerste ondervoorzitter van CONT  
gekozen.

**3. Verkiezing van de tweede ondervoorzitter**

Caterina Chinnici (S&D, IT) wordt in een geheime stemming in eerste ronde gekozen tot  
tweede ondervoorzitter, met 23 stemmen voor (5 stemmen voor dhr. Joachim KUHS  
(ID, DE) bij 0 onthoudingen.

De vergadering wordt om 13.57 uur geschorst.

**4. Verkiezing van de derde ondervoorzitter**

Gilles Boyer (RE, FR) wordt bij acclamatie tot derde ondervoorzitter gekozen.

**5. Verkiezing van de vierde ondervoorzitter**

Tomáš Zdechovský (PPE, CZ) wordt bij acclamatie tot vierde ondervoorzitter gekozen.

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De vergadering wordt om 14.29 hervat onder voorzitterschap van Monika Hohlmeier (voorzitter).

***Gewone commissievergadering***

**24 januari 2022, 14.15 - 15.30 uur**

**6. Aanneming van de agenda**

**Besluit:** De ontwerpagenda wordt aangenomen in de volgorde zoals blijkt uit deze notulen.

**7. Mededelingen van de voorzitter**

**\*\*\*Met gesloten deuren\*\*\***

**8. Coördinatorenvergadering**

De vergadering wordt om 15.41 uur geschorst.

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De vergadering wordt om 16.47 uur hervat.

**24 januari 2022, 16.45 - 17.45 uur**

**\*\*\*Met gesloten deuren\*\*\***

**9. Gevallen waarin de wettelijke en financiële voorschriften niet worden nageleefd: specifieke aandacht voor met AMIF-middelen gefinancierde projecten van Griekse ngo's  
CONT/9/08018**

Rapporteur:

Olivier Chastel (Renew)

- Gedachtewisseling met vertegenwoordigers van de Europese Commissie en de Europese Rekenkamer

**Sprekers:** Monika Hohlmeier, Baudilio Tome Muguruza (Europese Rekenkamer), Beate Gminder (Europese Commissie, DG HOME) Petri Sarvamaa, Maria Grapini, Joachim Kuhs

De vergadering wordt om 17.32 uur gesloten.

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De vergadering wordt om 9.07 uur geopend onder voorzitterschap van Monika Hohlmeier (voorzitter).

**25 januari 2022, 9.00 - 10.00 uur**

**10. Kwijting 2020: Algemene begroting EU – Europees Parlement**

CONT/9/06502

2021/2107(DEC)

COM(2021)0381[02] – C9-0259/2021

Rapporteur:

Daniel Freund (Verts/ALE)

PR – PE699.017v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

AFET, DEVE, INTA, BUDG, ECON, EMPL, ENVI, ITRE, IMCO, TRAN, REGI, AGRI, PECH, CULT, JURI, LIBE, AFCO, FEMM, PETI

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**Sprekers:** Monika Hohlmeier, Daniel Freund, José Manuel Fernandes, Lara Wolters, Gilles Boyer, Petri Sarvamaa

**25 januari 2022, 10.00 - 11.00 uur**

*Kwijting 2020: Andere instellingen - punten 11-18*

**11. Kwijting 2020: Algemene begroting EU - Europese Raad en Raad**

CONT/9/06633

2021/2108(DEC) COM(2021)0381[03] – C9-0260/2021

Rapporteur:

Isabel García Muñoz (S&D)

PR – PE699.021v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

AFET, DEVE, INTA, BUDG, ECON, EMPL, ENVI, ITRE, IMCO, TRAN,  
REGI, AGRI, PECH, CULT, JURI, LIBE, AFCO, FEMM, PETI

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**12. Kwijting 2020: Algemene begroting van de EU - Europese Dienst voor extern optreden**

CONT/9/06629

2021/2115(DEC) COM(2021)0381[10] – C9-0267/2021

Rapporteur:

Isabel García Muñoz (S&D)

PR – PE699.078v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

AFET, DEVE, AFCO

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**13. Kwijting 2020: Algemene begroting EU - Europees Hof van Justitie**

CONT/9/06523

2021/2109(DEC) COM(2021)0381[04] – C9-0261/2021

Rapporteur:

Isabel García Muñoz (S&D)

PR – PE699.024v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

AFET, DEVE, INTA, BUDG, ECON, EMPL, ENVI, ITRE, IMCO, TRAN,  
REGI, AGRI, PECH, CULT, JURI, LIBE, AFCO, FEMM, PETI

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**14. Kwijting 2020: Algemene begroting EU - Europese Rekenkamer**

CONT/9/06544

2021/2110(DEC) COM(2021)0381[05] – C9-0262/2021

Rapporteur:

Isabel García Muñoz (S&D)

PR – PE699.022v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

AFET, DEVE, INTA, BUDG, ECON, EMPL, ENVI, ITRE, IMCO, TRAN,  
REGI, AGRI, PECH, CULT, JURI, LIBE, AFCO, FEMM, PETI

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**15. Kwijting 2020: Algemene begroting EU – Europees Economisch en Sociaal Comité**

CONT/9/06565

2021/2111(DEC) COM(2021)0381[06] – C9-0263/2021

Rapporteur:

Isabel García Muñoz (S&D)

PR – PE699.020v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

AFET, DEVE, INTA, BUDG, ECON, EMPL, ENVI, ITRE, IMCO, TRAN,  
REGI, AGRI, PECH, CULT, JURI, LIBE, AFCO, FEMM, PETI

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**16. Kwijting 2020: Algemene begroting EU – Comité van de Regio's**

CONT/9/06586

2021/2112(DEC) COM(2021)0381[07] – C9-0264/2021

Rapporteur:

Isabel García Muñoz (S&D)

PR – PE699.023v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

AFET, DEVE, INTA, BUDG, ECON, EMPL, ENVI, ITRE, IMCO, TRAN,  
REGI, AGRI, PECH, CULT, JURI, LIBE, AFCO, FEMM, PETI

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**17. Kwijting 2020: Algemene begroting EU - Europese Ombudsman**

CONT/9/06606

2021/2113(DEC) COM(2021)0381[08] – C9-0265/2021

Rapporteur:

Isabel García Muñoz (S&D)

PR – PE699.018v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

AFET, DEVE, INTA, BUDG, ECON, EMPL, ENVI, ITRE, IMCO, TRAN,  
REGI, AGRI, PECH, CULT, JURI, LIBE, AFCO, FEMM, PETI

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**18. Kwijting 2020: Algemene begroting van de EU – Europese Toezichthouder voor**

**gegevensbescherming**

CONT/9/06626

2021/2114(DEC)

COM(2021)0381[09] – C9-0266/2021

Rapporteur:

Isabel García Muñoz (S&D)

PR – PE699.019v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

JURI, LIBE

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**Sprekers:** Monika Hohlmeier, Isabel García Muñoz, Jeroen Lenaers, Ramona Strugariu, Sophia in 't Veld, Mikuláš Peksa, Joachim Kuhs, Daniel Freund, Petri Sarvamaa

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**25 januari 2022, 11.00 - 12.00 uur**

***Kwijting 2020: Gemeenschappelijke ondernemingen - punten 19-27***

**19. Kwijting 2020: Gemeenschappelijke Onderneming biogebaseerde industrieën**

CONT/9/06678

2021/2148(DEC)

COM(2021)0381[43] – C9-0300/2021

Rapporteur:

Joachim Stanisław Brudziński (ECR)

PR – PE698.991v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

ITRE, REGI

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**20. Kwijting 2020: Gemeenschappelijke Onderneming Clean Sky 2**

CONT/9/06674

2021/2149(DEC)

COM(2021)0381[44] – C9-0301/2021

Rapporteur:

Joachim Stanisław Brudziński (ECR)

PR – PE698.992v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

ENVI, ITRE, TRAN

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**21. Kwijting 2020: Gemeenschappelijke Onderneming Ecsel**

CONT/9/06672

2021/2150(DEC)

COM(2021)0381[45] – C9-0302/2021

Rapporteur:

Ryszard Czarnecki (ECR)

PR – PE698.993v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

ITRE

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**22. Kwijting 2020: Gemeenschappelijke Onderneming brandstofcellen en waterstof 2**

CONT/9/06668

2021/2153(DEC)

COM(2021)0381[48] – C9-0305/2021

Rapporteur:

Ryszard Czarnecki (ECR)

PR – PE698.996v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

ITRE

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**23. Kwijting 2020: Europese Gemeenschappelijke Onderneming voor geavanceerde informatica**

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2021/2151(DEC)

COM(2021)0381[46] – C9-0303/2021

Rapporteur:

Ryszard Czarnecki (ECR)

PR – PE698.994v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

ITRE

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**24. Kwijting 2020: Gemeenschappelijke Onderneming voor het initiatief innovatieve geneesmiddelen 2**

CONT/9/06665

2021/2154(DEC)

COM(2021)0381[49] – C9-0306/2021

Rapporteur:

Ryszard Czarnecki (ECR)

PR – PE698.997v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

ENVI, ITRE

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**25. Kwijting 2020: Europese gemeenschappelijke onderneming voor ITER en de ontwikkeling van fusie-energie**

CONT/9/06670

2021/2152(DEC) COM(2021)0381[47] – C9-0304/2021

Rapporteur:

Ryszard Czarnecki (ECR)

PR – PE698.995v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

ITRE

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**26. Kwijting 2020: Gemeenschappelijke onderneming Sesar**

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2021/2155(DEC) COM(2021)0381[50] – C9-0307/2021

Rapporteur:

Ryszard Czarnecki (ECR)

PR – PE698.998v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

ITRE, TRAN

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**27. Kwijting 2020: Gemeenschappelijke Onderneming Shift2Rail**

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2021/2156(DEC) COM(2021)0381[51] – C9-0308/2021

Rapporteur:

Ryszard Czarnecki (ECR)

PR – PE698.999v01-00

Bevoegd:

CONT

Advies:

ITRE, TRAN

- Behandeling ontwerpverslag
- Termijn voor de indiening van amendementen: **31 januari 2022, 14.00 uur**

**Spreekers:** Monika Hohlmeier, Ryszard Czarnecki, Petri Sarvamaa, Corina Crețu, Michal Wiezik, Michèle Rivasi, Joachim Kuhs



De vergadering wordt om 11.59 uur geschorst.

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De vergadering wordt om 13.47 uur hervat.

**25 januari 2022, 13.45 - 14.45 uur**

**28. Werking van de mechanismen voor opschorting van financiering aan lidstaten**

CONT/9/08129

- Gedachtewisseling met de vertegenwoordigers van de Commissie

**Sprekers:** Monika Hohlmeier, Christina Borchmann (Europese Commissie, DG AGRI), Franck Sebert (Europese Commissie, DG REGIO), Daniel Freund, Maria Grapini

**29. Rondvraag**

**30. Volgende vergaderingen**

- 10 februari 2022
- 28 februari 2022

De vergadering wordt om 14.45 uur gesloten.

## Results of roll-call votes

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Key to symbols:

+ : in favour

- : against

0 : abstention

### 3. CONT Committee-Election of the 2nd Vice-Chair

#### 3.1. Final vote

Candidate	Votes
Caterina Chinnici	23
Joachim Kuhs	5

**ПРИСЪСТВЕН ЛИСТ/LISTA DE ASISTENCIA/PREZENČNÍ LISTINA/DELTAGERLISTE/  
ANWESENHEITSLISTE/KOHALOLIJATE NIMEKIRI/KATAΣΤΑΣΗ ΠΑΡΟΝΤΩΝ/RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/  
LISTE DE PRÉSENCE/POPIS NAZOČNIH/ELENCO DI PRESENZA/APMEKLĒJUMU REĢISTRŠ/DALYVIŲ SAŖAŠAS/  
JELENLÉTI ÍV/REGISTRU TA' ATTENDENZA/PRESENTIELIJST/LISTA OBECNOŠCI/LISTA DE PRESENÇAS/  
LISTĂ DE PREZENȚĂ/PREZENČNÁ LISTINA/SEZNAM NAVZOČIH/LÄSNÄOLOLISTA/NÄRVAROLISTA**

<p>Бюро/Mesa/Předsednictvo/Formandskabet/Vorstand/Juhatus/Προεδρείο/Bureau/Predsjedništvo/Ufficio di presidenza/Prezidijs/ Biuras/Elnökség/Prezidium/Birou/Predsednictvo/Predsedstvo/Puheenjohtajisto/Presidiet (*)</p>
<p>Monika Hohlmeier (Chair), Isabel García Muñoz (1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair), Caterina Chinnici (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair), Gilles Boyer (3<sup>rd</sup> Vice-Chair), Tomáš Zdechovský (4<sup>th</sup> Vice-Chair)</p>
<p>Членове/Diputados/Poslanci/Medlemmer/Mitglieder/Parlamendiliikmed/Βουλευτές/Members/Députés/Zastupnici/Deputati/Deputāti/ Nariai/Képviselek/Membri/Leden/Posłowie/Deputados/Deputați/Jäsenet/Ledamöter</p>
<p>Matteo Adinolfi, Olivier Chastel, Lefteris Christoforou, Corina Crețu, Ryszard Czarnecki, José Manuel Fernandes, Raffaele Fitto, Luke Ming Flanagan, Daniel Freund, Jean-François Jalkh, Pierre Karleskind, Mislav Kolakušić, Joachim Kuhs, Claudiu Manda, Alin Mîtuța, Younous Omarjee, Markus Pieper, Michèle Rivasi, Sándor Rónai, Petri Sarvamaa, Simone Schmiedtbauer, Lara Wolters, Angelika Winzig</p>
<p>Заместници/Suplentes/Náhradníci/Stedfortrædere/Stellvertreter/Asendusliikmed/Αναπληρωτές/Substitutes/Suppléants/Zamjenici/ Supplenti/Aizstājēji/Pavaduojantysnariai/Pötagok/Sostituti/Plaatsvervangers/Zastępcy/Membros suplentes/Supleanți/Náhradníci/ Namestniki/Varajäsenet/Suppleanter</p>
<p>Maria Grapini, Sophia in 't Veld, Jeroen Lenaers, Marian-Jean Marinescu, Andrey Novakov, Jan Olbrycht, Mikuláš Peksa, Sabrina Pignedoli, Ramona Strugariu, Michal Wiezik</p>

209 (7)
216 (3)
56 (8) (Точка от дневния ред/Punto del orden del día/Bod pořadu jednání (OJ)/Punkt på dagsordenen/Tagesordnungspunkt/ Päevakorra punkt/Σημείο της ημερήσιας διάταξης/Agenda item/Point OJ/Τοčka dnevnog reda/Punto all'ordine del giorno/Darba kārtības punkts/Darbotvarkēs punktas/Napirendi pont/Punt Agenda/Agendapunt/Punkt porządku dziennego/Ponto OD/Punct de pe ordinea de zi/Bod programu schôdze/Τοčka UL/Esityslistan kohta/Punkt på föredragningslistan)

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dana/Presente il/Piedalījās/ Dalyvauja/Jelen volt/Prezenti fi/Aanwezig op/Obecny dnia/Presente em/Prezent/Prítomný dňa/Navzoči  
dne/Läsnä/Närvarande den:

- (1) 24.1.2022  
(2) 25.1.2022

Наблюдатели/Observadores/Pozorovatelé/Observatører/Beobachter/Vaatlejad/Παρατηρητές/Observers/Observateurs/Promatrači/Osservatori/Novērotāji/Stebėtojai/Megfigyelők/Osservatori/Waarnemers/Observatorzy/Observadores/Observatori/Pozorovatelia/Opazovalci/Tarkkailijat/Observatörer

По покана на председателя/Por invitación del presidente/Na pozvání předsedy/Efter indbydelse fra formanden/Auf Einladung des Vorsitzenden/Εσιμεhe kutsel/Με πρόσκληση του Προέδρου/At the invitation of the Chair/Sur l'invitation du président/ Na poziv predsjednika/Su invito del presidente/Pēc priekšsēdētāja uzaicinājuma/Pirmininkui pakvietus/Az elnök meghívására/ Fuq stedina tač-'Chairman'/Op uitnodiging van de voorzitter/Na zaproszenie Przewodniczącego/A convite do Presidente/La invitația președintelui/ Na pozvanie predsedu/Na povabilo predsednika/Puheenjohtajan kutsusta/På ordförandens inbjudan

Съвет/Consejo/Rada/Rådet/Rat/Nōukogu/Συμβούλιο/Council/Conseil/Vijeće/Consiglio/Padome/Taryba/Tanács/Kunsill/Raad/Conselho/Consiliu/Svet/Neuvosto/Rådet (*)	
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Rosa Aldea Busquets, Christina Borchmann, Beate Gminder, Franck Sebert	
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#ECA#	Baudilio Tome Muguruza
#EESC #	

Други участници/Otros participantes/Ostatní účastníci/Endvidere deltog/Andere Teilnehmer/Muud osalejad/Επίσης παρόντες/Other participants/Autres participants/Druzi sudionici/Altri partecipanti/Citi klātesošie/Kiti dalyviai/Más résztvevők/Partecipanti ohra/Andere aanwezigen/Inni uczestnicy/Outros participantes/Alți participanți/Iní účastníci/Druzi udeleženci/Muut osallistajat/Övriga deltagare

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PPE	Virginia Dila Madalina Stoian, Nicole Wirtz
S&D	Anna Ksiadzszakova, Diana Popova, Dillon Siobhan
Renew	Maria-Aransasu Alcaide-de-la-Fuente, Stephanie Antoine-Jacquemard, Beata Jurik
ID	Ekaterina Frolova
Verts/ALE	Robert Godina, Alexandra Podsadowska
ECR	Michal Czykierda, Kamila Wrzesinska#
The Left	Elisa Reschini
NI	Barbara Gatto

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*Committee on Budgetary Control*  
*- The Secretariat -*

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**COORDINATORS' MEETING**

<b>Monday, 24 January 2021</b>
<b>14.15 - 15.30</b>
<b>Brussels, Visio/Remote meeting</b>
<b>(ASP 3E2)</b>

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**Present:**

Coordinators: EPP: Petri SAVAMAA  
S&D: Claudiu MANDA  
Renew: Advisor Stephanie ANTOINE-JACQUEMARD (Mr. CHASTEL excused)  
Greens: Mikulas PEKSA  
ID: Joachim KUHS  
ECR:  
The Left: Luke Ming FLANAGAN

1.1.1 Items for decision

1.1.2 1. New referrals:

**1.1. Opinion to BUDG on Guidelines for the 2022 Budget - Section III**

**2021/2265(BUI)**

<b><u>Decision:</u></b> Coordinators approved:
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a) The drafting an Opinion in form of a letter to be delivered by 28 February 2021;
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b) To follow the past practice to appoint the Commission discharge 2020 rapporteur (Mr Chastel) as Budget 2023 rapporteur for the cost of 0.5 points.
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**1.1.2.1 1.2. Opinion to LIBE on the proposal for information exchange between law enforcement authorities of Member States 2021/0411(COD)**

**Decision:** Coordinators decided that CONT should present an opinion. S&D will have the rapporteurship for the cost of 1 point.

S&D are asked to communicate the name of the rapporteur as soon as possible.

### 1.1.3 2. Screening of ECA reports

<b>Report</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date of publication</b>	<b>Pol.group</b>	<b>Secretariat's/Chair's proposal</b>
SR 27/2021	EU Support to tourism. Need for a fresh strategic orientation and a better funding approach	14 December 2021	EPP	Joint presentation with TRAN Committee
Review 5/2021	The EU framework for large transport infrastructure projects: an international comparison	25 November 2021	EPP	Joint presentation with TRAN and REGI
SR 01/2022	EU support for the rule of law in the Western Balkans: despite efforts, fundamental problems persist	10 January 2022	ID	Joint presentation with AFET (Presentation at the CONT meeting on 10 February 2022)
SR 02/2022	Energy Efficiency in Enterprises - Some energy savings but weaknesses in planning and project selection	17 January 2022	EPP	Joint presentation with REGI and ITRE
SR 03/2022	5G roll-out in the EU: delays in deployment of networks with security issues remaining unresolved	24 January 2022	Greens	To propose to ITRE - Committee on Industry, Research and Energy (STOA - Panel)

				for the Future of Science and Technology)
Review 1/2022	Energy taxation, carbon pricing and energy subsidies	31 January 2022	EPP	To propose to ECON/FISC

**Proposal:**

Coordinators approved the proposals by the Secretariat/the Chair.

#### 1.1.4 3. Requests for two new own-initiative reports

**Decision:** Coordinators decided to request the authorisation of the following two INI reports:

1. Possibilities to increase the reliability of audits and controls by national authorities in shared management (combined proposal from EPP, Renew and the Greens).
2. Large Transport Infrastructure Projects in the EU - implementation of projects & monitoring and control of EU funds (proposal from EPP).

Pending authorisation, the Groups are asked to indicate their preferences on the rapporteurship for the each of these INIs for the price of 1.5 points.

#### 1.1.5 4. Preparation for the working group meeting between CONT and ECA-representatives on the future of ECA's performance reporting

In a briefing paper for the preparation of the working group meeting, ECA presented three options for their future performance reporting: 1) return to the old format of having only a single annual report covering also performance elements on top of compliance reporting 2) having an annual separate performance report with a rotation of one or two MFF headings each year or 3) having a separate performance reporting in larger intervals.

**Decision:**

Coordinators had a broad discussion about the future work on ECA's performance auditing in order to give a mandate to the representatives from the CONT Committee for the meeting on 25 January. There was a consensus that CONT would recommend the following line to the Court:

- A combination of option 2 and option 3 in the paper from the Court to the extent that an annual rotation of one or two MFF headings per year might be organised in such a way as to ensure a thorough performance audit of the biggest spending areas, namely cohesion and agriculture, towards the end of an MFF period.

- The Court should be asked to publish both annual reports - on compliance and on performance - simultaneously so as to ensure that the whole reporting package for the year in question can play an equal role in the discharge process.

#### 1.1.6 5. Contribution to the ECA work programme for 2023

**Decision:**

Coordinators decided to ask groups to send their suggestions to the ECA work programme for 2023 to the Secretariat with a deadline of 24 February (COB).

#### 1.1.7 6. Follow up to the questions sent to F4E JU

**Decision:**

Coordinators decided to organise a meeting with representatives from F4E JU, the Commission and the whistle-blowers/union representatives regarding the work situation and adequate staffing resources at F4E. The meeting will be an ordinary agenda item on an upcoming CONT meeting.

Before the meeting and based on the answers that the Secretariat received on 21 January, groups will have the possibility to ask further questions.

#### 1.1.8 7. Exchange of view with the leading promoters of Next Generation EU Law Enforcement Forum, Italy (Polizia di Stato) and Europol.

**Decision:**

Coordinators decided to include Ms Pignedoli's request concerning a meeting with the leading promoters of Next Generation EU law Enforcement Forum, Italy (Polizia di Stato) in the programme for the upcoming mission to Rome (from 23 to 25 May).

1.1.9 8. Petition received

'Petition No 0712/2021 by Arne Semsrott (German), on behalf of Open Knowledge Foundation Germany' was submitted by PETI to CONT for an opinion. The aim of the petition is to have Commission audit reports published in the field of shared management.

**Decision:**

Coordinators approved the draft reply, which was included in Annex XI of the material.

1.1.10 9. Contribution to Conference of Parliamentary Committees for Union Affairs of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC) questionnaire regarding Rule of Law Conditionality Mechanism

**Decision:**

Coordinators approved the draft answers to the questionnaire as shown in the text to meeting, underlining the need to focus on proper implementation on the Rule of Law conditionality mechanism.

1.1.11 Items for information

1.1.12 10. Allocation of points at half-term

1.1.13 11. State of play of appointments on CONT files

- [Work in progress document](#)
- [Overview of the points](#)

1.1.14 12. Documents received for information - see

Annex XII

1.1.15 13. Any other business

1. Several Coordinators stressed that it was important that they received the material for the Coordinators in due time ahead of the meeting. Ideally, the note and the annexes should be available three working days ahead of the meeting.

2. The Greens expressed dissatisfaction with the lack of access to some of the material sent by ECA in relation to the ECA discharge 2020. The Chair explained that it had been agreed that confidential material would be available for the Chair and the rapporteur.

1.1.16 14. Time and date of next Coordinators' meeting

- 28 February 2022

# NEWSLETTER

## COMMITTEE MEETING

**MONDAY, 24 JANUARY 2022**

13:45 - 14:15 (constitutive meeting) and 14:15 - 15:30 and 16:45 - 17:45

**TUESDAY, 25 JANUARY 2022**

09:00 - 12:00 and 13:45 - 14:45

*Room: SPINELLI 3E-2 and remote participation with Interactio*

*Monday, 24 January, 13:45 - 14:15 (constitutive meeting)*

*Opening of the constitutive meeting by the Provisional Chair*

**1. ELECTION OF THE CHAIR**

*With the newly elected Chair*

**2. ELECTION OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE-CHAIR**

**3. ELECTION OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE-CHAIR**

**4. ELECTION OF THE 3<sup>RD</sup> VICE-CHAIR**

**5. ELECTION OF THE 4<sup>TH</sup> VICE-CHAIR**

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*Ordinary Committee meeting*

*Monday, 24 January, 14:15 - 15:30*

## 6. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

## 7. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair draws attention to the following points:

### **Languages available**

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\*PT will be available for 13:45 - 14:15

### **Webstreaming**

The meeting will be webstreamed and can be followed live via the [CONT webpage](#), except for the parts *in camera*

**\*\*\* *In camera* \*\*\***

## 8. COORDINATORS' MEETING



**Meeting held *in camera* with the remote participation tool Interactio**

Coordinators present in Brussels can attend the meeting in room: **Altiero Spinelli 3E-2.**

***The meeting will be suspended until 16.45***



Monday, 24 January, 16:45 - 17:45

\*\*\* In camera\*\*\*

## 9. CASES OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL AND FINANCIAL PROVISIONS: SPECIFIC FOCUS ON AMIF-FUNDED PROJECTS BY GREEK NGOS

CONT/9/08018



Rapporteur:

[Olivier Chaster \(Renew\)](#)

Administrator:

Fernando Gallego Osuna

Shadow Rapporteurs: **Monika Hohlmeier** (EPP), **Tsvetalina Penkova** (S&D), **Viola Von Cramon Taubadel** (Greens), **Joachim Kuhs** (ID), **Ryszard Czarnecki** (ECR), **Luke Ming Flanagan** (The Left)

In the context of the 2020 Commission discharge exercise, in its 2020 Annual Report on the implementation of the EU budget for the 2020 financial year, the European Court of Auditors highlighted (see page 192, box 7.4) a case where documentation of services provided to unaccompanied minors in an AMIF-funded project in Greece was not satisfactory. According to ECA, the internal rules of the shelters did not include clear indicators for how the NGO was to prove that certain services covered by the standard unit cost (e.g. supervision, organisation of activities, cleaning, meals) had been delivered and were of sufficient quality. The NGO was therefore not able to demonstrate that it had actually provided these services at an appropriate level. Another issue is that young people stayed on in the shelters without proper justification (e.g. schooling, health problems) after reaching adulthood.

This issue was discussed in the CONT Hearing of 9 November with Commissioner Johansson, responsible for Home Affairs, in the presence of ECA reporting member Baudilio Tomé Muguruza. Additional information was requested in written to the Commissioner. This reply, considered confidential by the Commission, was forwarded to CONT Members on 19 November through the platform for secure exchange of documents (N.B. CONT Members are invited to contact the Secretariat if they wish to obtain new copies of this reply).

The answers provided by Commissioner Johansson concerning certain NGO's and their non-compliance with rules were deemed not satisfactory, and the Commission has been invited to provide additional information. Due to the audit nature of this finding, the meeting will take place *in camera*.

The meeting will be opened by the Chair, followed by introductory statements by Mr. Tome Muguruza, Member of the ECA, and Ms. Gminder, Deputy-Director General in DG HOME and head of the Task Force "Migration Management". It will be followed by questions from the 2020 Commission Discharge Rapporteur, Mr Chastel, and Members from the other political groups, which will then be answered by the Commission representatives.

CONT Timetable

Event	Body	Date
Consideration of the draft report	CONT	10 February, 2022
Deadline for amendments	CONT	1 March 2022
Adoption of draft report	CONT	31 March 2022
Adoption of report	Plenary	May 2022

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Tuesday, 25 January, 09:00 - 10:00

## 10. 2020 DISCHARGE: GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EU - EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT - CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REPORT

CONT/9/06502 - [2021/2107 \(DEC\)](#)



Rapporteur:  
Administrator:

[Daniel Freund \(The Greens/ALE\)](#)  
Benoit Lefort

Shadow Rapporteurs: **Jose Manuel Fernandes** (EPP), **Lara Wolters** (S&D), **Gilles Boyer** (RE), **Matteo Adinolfi** (ID), **Ryszard Czarnecki** (ECR), **Younous Omajee** (The Left)

The Rapporteur first welcomes the fact that from the onset of and throughout the Covid-19 pandemic crisis, Parliament has taken often unprecedented decisions aimed at minimising the risk for Members and members of staff, while ensuring that Parliament remains in a position to continue its core activities, while also showing practical solidarity with the host communities.

Secondly, the Rapporteur regrets that ethical and transparency standards applicable to Parliament are often not enforced in a satisfactory manner and considers that Parliament should strive to lead by example with regards to setting Europe-wide ethics and transparency standards.

Furthermore, concerning Parliament's building policy, Mr Freund notably expects more transparent and detailed planning and decision making, including the provision of early information, having due regard to Article 266 of the Financial Regulation.

Finally, the Rapporteur considers that a review of the financial model of the Voluntary Pension Fund would not be sufficient to prevent additional taxpayers money from being used for future payments, and he urges the Secretary-General therefore to also propose measures on adjusting the modalities of the fund, including a further increase of the retirement age and a reduction of pension benefits paid out.

### CONT Timetable

Event	Body	Date
Deadline for amendments	CONT	31 January 2022, 14:00 hrs
Adoption of draft report	CONT	28 February 2022
Adoption of report	Plenary	May 2022

Monday, 10 January, 10:00 – 11:00

## DISCHARGE 2020: OTHER INSTITUTIONS

- 11. 2020 DISCHARGE: GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EU - EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND COUNCIL - CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REPORTS**  
CONT/9/06633 [2021/2108\(DEC\)](#)
- 12. 2020 DISCHARGE: GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EU - EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE - CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06629 [2021/2115\(DEC\)](#)
- 13. 2020 DISCHARGE: GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EU - EUROPEAN COURT OF JUSTICE - CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06523 [2021/2109\(DEC\)](#)
- 14. 2020 DISCHARGE: GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EU - EUROPEAN COURT OF AUDITORS - CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06544 [2021/2110\(DEC\)](#)
- 15. 2020 DISCHARGE: GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EU - EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE - CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06565 [2021/2111\(DEC\)](#)
- 16. 2020 DISCHARGE: GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EU - COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS - CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06586 [2021/2112\(DEC\)](#)
- 17. 2020 DISCHARGE: GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EU - EUROPEAN OMBUDSMAN - CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06606 [2021/2113\(DEC\)](#)
- 18. 2020 DISCHARGE: GENERAL BUDGET OF THE EU - EUROPEAN DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISOR - CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06626 [2021/2114\(DEC\)](#)



Rapporteur:  
Administrator:

[Isabel García Muñoz \(S&D\)](#)  
Diego Rasetti

Shadow Rapporteurs: **Jeroen Lenaerts** (EPP);  
**Sophie in't Veld**. (Renew) - European council and Council, **Alin Mituta** (Renew) - European External Action Service, Committee of the Regions, European data Protection Supervisor, **Ramona Strungariu** (Renew) - European Court of Justice, **Oliver Chastel** (Renew) - European Court of Auditors, European Economic and Social Committee, European Ombudsman, **Mikulas Peksa** (The Greens/ALE), **Joachim Kuhs** (ID), **Ryszard Czarnecki** (ECR),

## Luke Ming Flanagan (The Left)

### CONT Timetable

Event	Body	Date
Deadline for amendments	CONT	31 January 2022, 14:00 hrs
Adoption of draft report	CONT	28 February 2022
Adoption of report	Plenary	May 2022

The Secretaries-General of the Other Institutions had received the questions put by CONT Members on 8 October 2021 and the written replies were sent to Members on 22 November 2021.

Discharge hearings were held on 8 November with the Secretaries General and Director-Generals of the Other Institutions. Council did not send replies and was not present at the hearing. On 30 November the discharge hearing was held with the HRVP of the EEAS.

At this meeting, the CONT Members will have an exchange of views on the 2020 budget discharge for Other Institutions based on the draft reports.

The Rapporteur prepared the draft discharge reports based on documents such as the annual activity reports of the different Other Institutions, the related balance sheets and the internal audit reports, on the exchanges of views in the CONT Committee and on the replies given by the institutions concerned. Also the Court of Auditors (ECA) annual report of 2020 has been considered, having specific regard to Chapter 9 "Administration", focused on expenditure on human resources, buildings, equipment, energy, communication and information technology that the Court indicates as being, overall, a low-risk expenditure. However, the analysis of the Court of Auditor (also for 2020 as for the previous years) has not targeted the administrative expenditure of each individual Other Institution, but only the error level of the administrative expenditure at the aggregated EU budget.

The draft reports focus mostly on the issues identified in the financial year 2020 and on the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the actions carried out by each of the Other Institution and the EEAS. A particular attention has been devoted to the way the Institutions have succeeded to react to the crisis, having regard to the issues of the business continuity and with a specific focus on staff well-being, staff productivity and work-life balance. The impact of Covid-19 on the budget execution rate is a recurring point, and the overall ratio of the appropriations on the commitments indicates a sensible decrease; the reports focus on the timeliness and effectiveness of the strategies to counter the limitations imposed by the several restrictions on the normal business activities, which includes all the actions and initiatives undertaken by the organisations to review and adapt their internal functioning and work methods in order to continue to fulfil their mission, assessed from the angle of the soundness of financial management, reporting, internal control systems, communication etc.

It is proposed that the consideration of the draft reports proceeds as follows:

- Presentation of the draft reports by the CONT Rapporteur;
- The Shadow Rapporteurs will present their views on the draft reports, followed by, if time allows, a catch-the eye session;
- Closing remarks by the CONT Rapporteur.

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*Tuesday, 25 January, 11:00 - 12:00*

**DISCHARGE 2020: JOINT UNDERTAKINGS**

- 19. 2020 DISCHARGE: BIO-BASED INDUSTRIES JOINT UNDERTAKING - CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06678    [2021/2148\(DEC\)](#)
- 20. 2020 DISCHARGE: CLEAN SKY 2 JOINT UNDERTAKING - CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06674    [2021/2149\(DEC\)](#)
- 21. 2020 DISCHARGE: ELECTRONICS COMPONENTS AND SYSTEMS FOR EUROPEAN LEADERSHIP JOINT UNDERTAKING - CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06672    [2021/2150\(DEC\)](#)
- 22. 2020 DISCHARGE: FUEL CELLS AND HYDROGEN 2 JOINT UNDERTAKING - CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06668    [2021/2153\(DEC\)](#)
- 23. 2020 DISCHARGE: EURO HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING - CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06710    [2021/2151\(DEC\)](#)
- 24. 2020 DISCHARGE: INNOVATIVE MEDICINES INITIATIVE 2 JOINT UNDERTAKING - CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06665    [2021/2154\(DEC\)](#)
- 25. 2020 DISCHARGE: EUROPEAN JOINT UNDERTAKING FOR ITER AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF FUSION ENERGY - CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06670    [2021/2152\(DEC\)](#)
- 26. 2020 DISCHARGE: SESAR JOINT UNDERTAKING - CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06662    [2021/2155\(DEC\)](#)
- 27. 2020 DISCHARGE: SHIFT2RAIL JOINT UNDERTAKING - CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT REPORT**  
CONT/9/06659    [2021/2156\(DEC\)](#)



Rapporteurs:

- [Joachim Stanisław Brudziński \(ECR\)](#) (BBI JU, Clean Sky2 JU).
- [Ryszard Czarnecki \(ECR\)](#) (ECSEL JU, EuroHPC JU, FCH2 JU, IMI2 JU, F4E JU, SESAR JU, and Shift2Rail JU).

Administrator: Giulia Bastianello

Shadow Rapporteurs: **Marian-Jean Marinescu** (EPP), **Corina Cretu** (S&D), **Michał Wiezik** (Renew), **Michele Rivasi** (The Greens/ALE), **Joachim Kuhs** (ID), **Younous Omarjee** (The Left)

The specific ECA annual report on the EU Joint Undertakings for the financial year 2020 was published on 12 November 2021. The ECA issued unqualified (“clean”) opinions on the annual accounts and the underlying transactions for all nine Joint Undertakings. As regards the Fusion for Energy Joint Undertaking (F4E JU), the ECA drew attention with an emphasis of matter to the fact that any changes in key assumptions concerning the estimate of the total cost for completing its delivery obligations for the ITER project and the risk exposure could lead to significant cost increases and/or further delays in the implementation of the ITER project.

On 29 November 2021, the CONT Committee held a hearing in the frame of the annual discharge procedure with the respective Executive Directors of three Joint Undertakings invited, namely the F4E JU, the European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking (EuroHPC JU) and the Clean Sky2 JU, in the presence of reporting ECA Member, Ms Ildikó Gáll-Pelcz.

The Rapporteurs will present their draft reports on the Joint Undertakings, which observe, among others, issues and facts on budgetary and financial management, including the levels of in-kind and in cash contributions, performance, internal control systems, the adoption and implementation of an anti-fraud strategy, the prevention of conflict of interests, transparency, staff matters, and procurement during the year 2020. They also refer, to some extent, to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Joint Undertakings’ operations.

The shadow rapporteurs and other members will have the opportunity to discuss on the draft reports and on the issues highlighted in them in preparation of the amendments phase and the decision on discharge.

#### CONT Timetable

Event	Body	Date
Deadline for amendments	CONT	31 January 2022, 14:00 hrs
Adoption of draft report	CONT	28 February 2022
Adoption of report	Plenary	May 2022

***The meeting will be suspended until 13.45***

*Tuesday, 25 January, 13:45 - 14:45*

## **28. HOW MECHANISMS FOR SUSPENSION OF FUNDING TO MEMBER STATES WORK**

CONT/9/08129 - [2021/0803\(NLE\)](#)

### **Exchange of views with Commission Representatives**

Rapporteur:

[Daniel Freund \(The Greens/ALE\)](#)

Administrator:

Kaare Barslev

CONT has asked the Commission to explain in detail how mechanisms for suspensions of funds to Member States work in the shared policies areas, agriculture and structural and cohesions policies. Questions concerning such mechanisms are of interest for the work in CONT and it is important to understand how suspensions are related with other mechanisms and the differences between them. Other related mechanisms includes interruptions, reductions and financial corrections, which may be “net” corrections or not.

The Chair will open the meeting inviting the representatives from the Commission to give their introduction. The rapporteur and representatives from other groups will then have an opportunity to discuss following the ping-pong system in order to ensure a lively and interactive debate.

## **29. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

## **30. NEXT MEETINGS**

- 10 February 2022 (Brussels)
- 28 February 2022 (Brussels)

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Study "[The "cost of non-EU – agencies", focusing on the health and safety cluster of the EU decentralised agencies](#)"

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Study "Different Practices on Side-Earnings of the Public Office-Holders and Functionaries"

Study "Single Audit approach - root causes of the weaknesses in the work of the Member States' management and audit authorities"

Study "Identifying patterns of fraud with EU funds under shared management, similarities and differences between member states"

Briefing "The Early-detection and exclusion system"

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Study "Documenting climate mainstreaming in the EU Budget" (update 2022)

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Study "New EU own resources: possibilities and limitations of steering effects and sectoral policy co-benefits"

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