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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 Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working for the financial year 2011
(C7-0246/2012 – 2012/2184(DEC))

Rapporteur: Pervenche Berès

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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 in its motion for a resolution:

1. Welcomes the contribution of the Foundation to the promotion of knowledge about living and working conditions in the EU in particular when the EU is faced with the challenge of maintaining high standards of living and working in the current economic and financial crisis; expresses its satisfaction that the 2011 work programme was adapted in view of the impact of the crisis and put special emphasis on exploring the prerequisites for a sustainable, efficient and effective public sector and on job creation, identifying structural weaknesses and development of Europe's competitiveness;
2. Underlines the contribution (in 2011) of the Foundation to the achievement of the Europe 2020 objectives and especially to the flagship initiative "An agenda for new skills and jobs", "An industrial policy for the globalisation era", "European platform against poverty" and "Youth on the move"; therefore calls for the better use of the Foundation's recommendations and capacity building in the framework of the European Semester notably when elaborating the Annual Growth Survey and macroeconomic indicators;
3. Expresses its satisfaction that the Court of Auditors has declared the operations underlying the Foundation's annual accounts for the financial year 2011 to be legal and regular;
4. Recalls the comment of the Court on the need to improve the transparency of recruitment procedures;
5. Notes the commitment of the Foundation to continue and even increase efforts to reduce the amount of planned carry forward through closer budget monitoring.

RESULT OF FINAL VOTE IN COMMITTEE

Date adopted	21.2.2013
Result of final vote	+: 41 -: 2 0: 1
Members present for the final vote	Regina Bastos, Edit Bauer, Heinz K. Becker, Jean-Luc Bennahmias, Phil Bennion, Pervenche Berès, Philippe Boulland, Alejandro Cercas, Ole Christensen, Derek Roland Clark, Minodora Cliveti, Emer Costello, Frédéric Daerden, Sari Essayah, Richard Falbr, Thomas Händel, Marian Harkin, Nadja Hirsch, Stephen Hughes, Danuta Jazłowiecka, Jean Lambert, Patrick Le Hyaric, Verónica Lope Fontagné, Olle Ludvigsson, Thomas Mann, Elisabeth Morin-Chartier, Csaba Óry, Konstantinos Poupakis, Sylvana Rapti, Licia Ronzulli, Elisabeth Schroedter, Nicole Sinclair, Joanna Katarzyna Skrzydlewska, Jutta Steinruck, Traian Ungureanu, Inês Cristina Zuber
Substitute(s) present for the final vote	Georges Bach, Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Ria Oomen-Ruijten, Antigoni Papadopoulou, Csaba Sógor
Substitute(s) under Rule 187(2) present for the final vote	Alexander Alvaro, Nirj Deva, Gesine Meissner