



**2021/2141(DEC)**

1.2.2022

# **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 (EU-OSHA) for the financial year 2020 (2021/2141(DEC))

Rapporteur for opinion: Romana Tomc

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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 accounts for the financial year 2020 to be legal and regular and that its financial position as at 31 December 2020 is fairly represented;
2. Appreciates the Agency's activities to develop, gather and provide reliable and relevant information, analysis and tools on occupational safety and health, which contribute to the Union policy aiming to promote healthy and safe work places across the Union;
3. Notes, in particular, the prominent role that the Agency has in supporting the implementation of principle 10 enshrined in the European Pillar of Social Rights; welcomes the Agency's strong commitment to ensuring that all workers enjoy the same occupational health and safety rights regardless of the size of the company, the type of contract or the employment relationship;
4. Stresses its importance, autonomy and added value in its field of expertise; highlights the need of ensuring adequate human and financial resources allowing the Agency to continue implementing its work programme with a very high activity completion rate, in particular in the light of the implementation of the new EU Strategic Framework on Health and Safety at Work (2021-2027) and the forthcoming legislation on the protection of workers from the risks related to exposure to asbestos at work and carcinogens and mutagens directive;
5. Believes the Agency can provide useful information and analysis on the impact of telework and other digital solutions for both employers and workers on occupational safety and health in the context of working conditions in the pandemic with particular attention to mental health;
6. Regrets that staff feels isolated because of teleworking; however, welcomes the fact that management offers a lot of psychological support, mindfulness sessions and does its best to create the best possible atmosphere, based on what staff members need and what the local administration decides;
7. Takes notes that two corrective actions reported by the Court of Auditors linked to the excessive committed appropriations carried over from previous years are ongoing;
8. Expresses concern about the long and non-transparent procedure of appointing the new Executive Director of the Agency;
9. Recommends, on the basis of the facts available, that discharge be granted to the Interim Executive Director of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA) in respect of the implementation of the Agency's budget for the financial year 2020.

## INFORMATION ON ADOPTION IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

<b>Date adopted</b>	1.2.2022
<b>Result of final vote</b>	+: 50 -: 2 0: 2
<b>Members present for the final vote</b>	Atidzhe Alieva-Veli, Marc Angel, Dominique Bilde, Gabriele Bischoff, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Milan Brglez, Sylvie Brunet, Jordi Cañas, David Casa, Ilan De Basso, Margarita de la Pisa Carrión, Özlem Demirel, Klára Dobrev, Jarosław Duda, Estrella Durá Ferrandis, Lucia Ďuriš Nicholsonová, Rosa Estaràs Ferragut, Nicolaus Fest, Loucas Fourlas, Cindy Franssen, Helmut Geuking, Elisabetta Gualmini, Alicia Homs Ginel, France Jamet, Agnes Jongerius, Radan Kanev, Ádám Kósa, Stelios Kympouropoulos, Katrin Langensiepen, Miriam Lexmann, Elena Lizzi, Giuseppe Milazzo, Dragoş Pîslaru, Manuel Pizarro, Dennis Radtke, Elżbieta Rafalska, Daniela Rondinelli, Mounir Satouri, Monica Semedo, Michal Šimečka, Beata Szydło, Cristian Terheş, Eugen Tomac, Romana Tomc, Nikolaj Villumsen, Marianne Vind, Maria Walsh, Stefania Zambelli, Tatjana Ždanoka, Tomáš Zdechovský
<b>Substitutes present for the final vote</b>	Marc Botenga, Peter Lundgren, Eugenia Rodríguez Palop, Véronique Trillet-Lenoir, Kim Van Sparrentak

## FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

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ECR	Giuseppe Milazzo, Elżbieta Rafalska, Beata Szydło, Margarita de la Pisa Carrión
ID	Dominique Bilde, France Jamet
NI	Ádám Kósa, Daniela Rondinelli
PPE	David Casa, Jarosław Duda, Rosa Estaràs Ferragut, Loucas Furlas, Cindy Franssen, Helmut Geuking, Radan Kanev, Stelios Kypouropoulos, Miriam Lexmann, Dennis Radtke, Eugen Tomac, Romana Tomc, Maria Walsh, Tomáš Zdechovský
Renew	Atidzhe Alieva-Veli, Sylvie Brunet, Jordi Cañas, Dragoş Pîslaru, Monica Semedo, Véronique Trillet-Lenoir, Lucia Ďuriš Nicholsonová, Michal Šimečka
S&D	Marc Angel, Gabriele Bischoff, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Milan Brgelez, Ilan De Basso, Klára Dobrev, Estrella Durá Ferrandis, Elisabetta Gualmini, Alicia Homs Ginel, Agnes Jongerius, Manuel Pizarro, Marianne Vind
The Left	Marc Botenga, Özlem Demirel, Eugenia Rodríguez Palop, Nikolaj Villumsen
Verts/ALE	Katrin Langensiepen, Mounir Satouri, Kim Van Sparrentak, Tatjana Ždanoka

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ECR	Peter Lundgren
ID	Nicolaus Fest

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ID	Elena Lizzi, Stefania Zambelli

Key to symbols:

+ : in favour

- : against

0 : abstention