

The President

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Mr Johan Van Oortveldt
Chair of the Committee on Budgets

Subject : Request for transfer of appropriations C13 - Financial year 2022

Dear Chair,

In accordance with the provisions of Article 29 of the Financial Regulation of 18 July 2018, please find attached a request for a transfer of appropriations.

I would be grateful if you could submit this request to your committee at the first possible meeting.

Yours sincerely,



Roberta Metsola

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS C13/2022

SUMMARY

In accordance with Article 29 of the Financial Regulation, the administration of the European Parliament intends to make a transfer of appropriations as described below.

The purpose of this transfer proposal is to provide the means for higher than expected expenses relating to energy costs for the Brussels site by transferring appropriations from other budget items, where funds could be made available thanks to postponements or cancellations of projects and activities.

INCREASE

Budget item Initial appropriations +/- Amending budget +/- Transfers		Commitments	Availability	Proposed transfer	In % of total approps.	Availability after transfer
2024 "Energy consumption"						
P2+ C2	17.435.000					
	12.100.000					
	29.535.000	28.748.354	786.646	+6.700.000	23%	7.486.646

BRUSSELS

A drastic increase of the price of electricity has been observed since the beginning of the year, from around 92 EUR/MWh in 2021 with a scheme where the prices were fixed for the last 18 months, to around 325 EUR/MWh.

This results in a monthly average need of about EUR 1.800.000, equivalent to about EUR 21.300.000 for the whole 2022.

Furthermore, gas price has increased by 200 % compared to the average unit price during 2021 (40 EUR/MWh). The increased unit price leads to an estimation of EUR 5.800.000 for year 2022.

By consequence, based on the 2021 consumption, taking into account the increase in prices of electricity and gas as described here above, the funds on item 2024 do not allow to cover the energy consumption until the end of the year.

A deficit of EUR 6.700.000 is expected on this budget line, as illustrated by the table below:

Brussels	Electricity and water*	Initial budget **	7.001.000
		Forecast expenditure 2022	21.274.500
		Deficit	-14.273.500
	Gas	Initial budget	1.700.000
		Forecast expenditure 2022	5.800.000
		Deficit	-4.100.000
	Transfers already operated in 2022		11.660.000
	Current estimated deficit		-6.713.500
	Rounding		-6.700.000

* water amounts to EUR 500.000

** including costs for data centre

Attention should be paid to the fact that these amounts are estimates and could further evolve depending on the fluctuation of the price of energy in the next few months.

DECREASE

Budget item Initial appropriations +/- Amending budget +/- Transfers		Commitments	Availability	Proposed transfer	In % of total approps.	Availability after transfer
2007	"Construction of buildings and fitting-out of premises"					
C2	95.010.000					
	-6.327.301					
	88.682.699	37.764.504	50.918.195	-6.690.500	-8%	44.227.695
2360	"Postage on correspondence and delivery charges"					
	216.000	120.040	95.960	-9.500	-4%	86.460
TOTAL DECREASE:				-6.700.000		

Item 2007 "Construction of buildings and fitting-out of premises" (- EUR 6.690.500)

A number of infrastructure projects are put on hold as long as they do not relate to the improvement of energy efficiency or accessibility works. Furthermore, some building projects could be postponed.

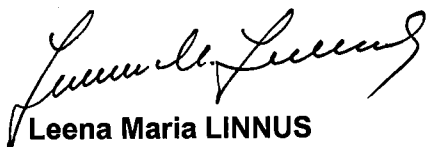
The freezing of a number of infrastructure and building projects makes funds available to cover the shortfall resulting from the increase of energy related expenses.

Item 2360 "Postage on correspondence and delivery charges" (- EUR 9.500)

This surplus results from a reduction in shipments.

APPROVAL OF THE AUTHORISING OFFICER CONCERNED

09 AOUT 2022

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Leena Maria LINNUS

Director-General DG INLO