COURT OF JUSTICE
OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Luxembourg, 9 November 2026

Request to modify the 2026 establishment plan under the terms of Article 53 of the Financial Regulation

I. Proposed modification

The Court of justice of the European Union (the 'Court' or the 'institution') intends to proceed with the transformation of 6 permanent AD posts (4 AD13 and 2 AD10) into six temporary AD posts.

II. Reasons

The present request to convert six permanent posts into temporary posts for the benefit of the chambers of the Members of the Court of Justice and the General Court comes against a background of continuously increasing workload, particularly at the Court of justice. With overall staffing levels remaining stable, the institution has to refocus its resources on its core business, namely its judicial activity.

The requested conversion serves this objective. It allows the capacity of the chambers to be adjusted more flexibly to the actual needs of the judicial function, without increasing the total number of posts in the institution's establishment plan.

By the present request, the Court intends to meet this need from its existing establishment plan by converting 6 permanent posts (4 AD13 and 2 AD10) into temporary posts of the same grades, as *cabinet* posts are by nature temporary posts. The grades correspond to the grade structure of the staff concerned and to the margin available in the establishment plan at those levels.

The conversion is neutral: the overall staffing level and its distribution by grade remain unchanged, with no impact on staff appropriations.

III. Compliance with Article 53 of the Financial Regulation

The present proposal complies with all the conditions laid out in Article 53 of the Financial Regulation:

- The request involves 6 posts out of 2 120, so this modification concerns less than 0.3% of authorised posts.

- The volume of staff appropriations remains unaffected: the modification is budgetarily neutral.
- The total number of posts authorised by the 2026 establishment plan remains unchanged.
- A benchmarking exercise based on the Commission's staff screening has been performed (see Annex 1).

V. Annexes

1. CJUE staff screening 2026
2. Establishment plans 2026 and 2027 before and after the modifications

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Staff Screening exercise – 2026

According to Article 53(1) of the Financial Regulation, a benchmarking exercise based on the Commission's screening exercise is a precondition to modify the establishment plan of an Institution. This document represents the current use of the posts included in the establishment plan of the Court of justice of the EU (the "Court"). The methodology follows the one used by the Commission, as it includes all establishment plan posts, regardless of occupation status. Trainees are not considered.

The classification and groupings of activities has been adapted to reflect the specific nature of the Court and of its functions. The main elements included in each group are the following:

Group	Services and activities included
Chambers (*cabinets*)	Chambers of the Members of the Court of justice and of the General Court
Registries	Staff of the registries of the Court of justice and of the General Court
Support to judicial activities	Research and documentation directorate, Library, Ushers
Linguistic Services	Translation, Interpretation, Terminological coordination
Administrative support	HR, Finance, Building management, IT, Protocol, Communication, Legal adviser, Internal audit, staff Committee

The number of posts currently allocated to each group are as follows (situation as of 1.1.2026):

Group	Number of posts	Percentage of the total
Chambers (*cabinets*)	559	26,37%
Registries	124	5,85%
Support to judicial activities	127	5,99%
Linguistic Services	979	46,18%
Administrative support	331	15,61%
Total	**2120**	**100,0%**

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Function group and grade	STAFF			
	2026		2026 (after modifications)	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	5	--	5	--
AD 15	14	3	14	3
AD 14	78	57	78	57
AD 13	96	40	92	44
AD 12	220	62	220	62
AD 11	123	100	123	100
AD 10	115	54	113	56
AD 9	95	17	95	17
AD 8	89	2	89	2
AD 7	154	2	154	2
AD 6	11	--	11	--
AD 5	10	--	10	--
AD subtotal	1 010	337	**1 004**	**343**
AST 11	12	--	12	--
AST 10	19	1	19	1
AST 9	40	--	40	--
AST 8	38	31	38	31
AST 7	85	28	85	28
AST 6	99	32	99	32
AST 5	95	27	95	27
AST 4	67	65	67	65
AST 3	42	41	42	41
AST 2	10	5	10	5
AST 1	27	--	27	--
AST subtotal	534	230	534	230
SC 6	--	--	--	--
SC 5	--	2	--	2
SC 4	--	--	--	--
SC 3	7	--	7	--
SC 2	--	--	--	--
SC 1	--	--	--	--
AST/SC subtotal	7	2	7	2
Total	**1 551** [1]	**569**	**1545** [1]	**575**
Grand total	**2 120** [2]		**2 120** [2]	

[1] Not including the contingency reserve, without allocation of appropriations, for officials seconded to Members of the Court of Justice or the General Court.

[2] Certain posts occupied part-time may be made up by the appointment of other staff within the limit of the remaining posts thus left unoccupied by function group.

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	2027		2027 (after modifications)	
	Permanent posts	Temporary posts	Permanent posts	Temporary posts
AD 16	5	--	5	--
AD 15	14	3	14	3
AD 14	78	62	78	62
AD 13	83	60	79	64
AD 12	228	62	228	62
AD 11	123	88	123	88
AD 10	107	59	105	61
AD 9	104	3	104	3
AD 8	91	--	91	--
AD 7	161	--	161	--
AD 6	10	--	10	--
AD 5	12	54	12	54
AD subtotal	1 016	391	**1 010**	**397**
AST 11	12	--	12	--
AST 10	19	1	19	1
AST 9	40	--	40	--
AST 8	38	31	38	31
AST 7	85	28	85	28
AST 6	99	32	99	32
AST 5	95	27	95	27
AST 4	67	38	67	38
AST 3	38	15	38	15
AST 2	16	5	16	5
AST 1	18	--	18	--
AST subtotal	527	177	527	177
SC 6	--	--	--	--
SC 5	1	1	1	1
SC 4	--	--	--	--
SC 3	7	--	7	--
SC 2	--	--	--	--
SC 1	--	--	--	--
AST/SC subtotal	8	1	8	1
Total	**1 551** [1]	**569**	**1545** [1]	**575**
Grand Total	**2 120** [2]		**2 120** [2]	

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