

Transfers within the 2023 budget since last notification

Key message

The Management Board is invited to take note of budget transfers carried out under the responsibility of the Executive Director since the last notification in September 2023.

In line with Article 26(1) of ECHA's Financial Regulation, the budget transfers carried out (until 20 November 2023) under the responsibility of the Executive Director since the last notification to the Management Board are listed hereunder:

a) 9 October 2023: Transfer within ENV Title 5 – Operational expenditure

With regard to a Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) proposal and the consequent stakeholder consultation, ECHA engaged, via a very low value contract, an external expert to address the numerous comments, some of which were of a highly specific nature, to meet the proposal's timeline. Such an activity was not anticipated in the budget and, therefore, a transfer between budget lines within Title 5 (as per the table below) was required.

CT 341- ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTIVES AND INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS									
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer (CA/PA)	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item	Total available appropriations
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A	G=C+D
1	B5-008	Scientific IT tools	1 776 005.00	33 173.00	360 307.42	-3 200.00	29 973.00	1.69%	357 107.42
2	B5-000	Studies and consultants	110 000.00	1 675.00	1 850.00	3 200.00	4 875.00	4.43%	5 050.00
	Sum		1 886 005.00		362 157.42	0.00			362 157.42

b) 13 October 2023: Transfer within REACH Title 2 – Other operating expenditure

To date, there were higher than anticipated needs on the budget line for 'Documentation, library and acquisition of information' and an increase in the appropriations was required to enable subscribing to 'Essential insights: Dods EU 2024 Election Package'. As there were funds available on the 'Other operating expenditure' budget line, a transfer between budget lines within Title 2 (as per the table below) was made.

CT 342- Reach									
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item	Total available appropriations
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A	G=C+D
1	A-2304	Other operating expenditure	215 774.00	8 535.00	10 493.85	-3 816.00	4 719.00	2.19%	6 677.85
2	A-2302	Documentation library and acquisition of informati	40 323.00	0.00	25 664.56	3 816.00	3 816.00	9.46%	29 480.56
	Sum		256 097.00		36 158.41	0.00			36 158.41

c) 13 October 2023: Transfer within Biocides Title 2 – Other operating expenditure

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CT 343 - Biocides									
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item	Total available appropriations
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A	G=C+D
1	A-2304	Other operating expenditure	29 517.00	2 714.00	1 437.08	-522.00	2 192.00	7.43%	915.08
2	A-2302	Documentation library and acquisition of informati	5 516.00	0.00	3 510.83	522.00	522.00	9.46%	4 032.83
	Sum		35 033.00		4 947.91	0.00			4 947.91

d) 13 October 2023: Transfer within ENV Title 2 – Other operating expenditure

To date, there were higher than anticipated needs on the budget line for 'Documentation, library and acquisition of information' and an increase in the appropriations was required to enable subscribing to 'Essential insights: Dods EU 2024 Election Package'. As there were funds available on the 'Other operating expenditure' budget line, a transfer between budget lines within Title 2 (as per the table below) was made.

CT 344 - ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTIVES AND INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS									
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item	Total available appropriations
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A	G=C+D
1	A-2304	Other operating expenditure	9 161.00	843.00	447.27	-162.00	681.00	7.43%	285.27
2	A-2302	Documentation library and acquisition of informati	1 712.00	0.00	1 089.71	162.00	162.00	9.46%	1 251.71
	Sum		10 873.00		1 536.98	0.00			1 536.98

e) 7 November 2023: Transfer within REACH Title 3 – Operating expenditure

Following a review of the Title 3 budget, and taking into consideration that the previous revision took place in July 2023, some of the available amounts needed to be re-allocated to budget lines that were short of appropriations.

The amounts budgeted for Substance evaluation and Rapporteurs (Multiannual budget line 3111) are provisional and there was a higher than anticipated budget need of payment appropriations to cover the payments related to the number of Applications for Authorisations and restriction dossiers agreed in Committees in the trimester of the year. In addition, the small surplus in the commitment appropriations on this line was needed to support an additional component to a QSAR contract on budget line 3801 (Cooperation with international organisations for IT program – Multiannual).

Furthermore, the actual need for certain communication activities on budget line 3013 was lower than anticipated while, in parallel, there was a higher need on the Management Board budget line 3022 to support the organisation of a Chemical Authorities meeting.

Therefore, a transfer between budget lines within Title 3 (as per the table below) was required.

IS- Reach									
Budget item		Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer (CA)	Current Transfer (PA)	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A	G=C+D
B3-013		Communications including translations	1 097 897.00	-233 958.00	397 996.53	-16 960.00	-16 960.00	-250 918.00	22.85%
B3-022		Management Board and management of the Agency Commitment and payment Appropriations	753 756.00	192 376.00	203 890.41	16 960.00	16 960.00	209 336.00	27.77%
B3-111		Substance evaluation and Rapporteurs (Multiannual) Commitment and payment Appropriations	878 000.00	24 937.00	85 444.40	-10 000.00	55 000.00	14 937.00	1.70%
B3-801		Cooperation with internat organisat for IT program Commitment and payment Appropriations	600 000.00		8.93	10 000.00	-55 000.00	10 000.00	1.67%
	Sum		3 329 653.00		687 340.27	0.00	0.00		687 340.27

f) 7 November 2023: Transfer within Biocides Title 4 – Operating expenditure

The amounts budgeted for some of the communication activities are provisional and actual costs were lower than anticipated while, in parallel, there was an additional need on the Management Board budget line 4022 to support the organisation of a Chemical Authorities meeting. Therefore, a transfer between budget lines within Title 4 (as per the table below) was required.

CT 346- Biocides								
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer (CA/PA)	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A
1	B4-013	Communications including Translations	114 691.00	119 184.00	160 208.87	-2 320.00	116 864.00	101.89%
2	B4-022	Management Board and management of the Agency Commitment and payment Appropriations	87 109.00	-30 014.00	13 887.77	2 320.00	-27 694.00	31.79%
	Sum		201 800.00		174 096.64	0.00		
								G=C+D
								157 888.87
								16 207.77
								174 096.64

g) 7 November 2023: Transfer within ENV Title 5 – Operating expenditure

The amounts budgeted for some of the communication activities are provisional and actual costs were lower than anticipated while, in parallel, there was an additional need on the Management Board budget line 5022 to support the organisation of a Chemical Authorities meeting. Therefore, a transfer between budget lines within Title 5 (as per the table below) was required.

CT 347- ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTIVES AND INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS								
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer (CA/PA)	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A
1	B5-013	Communications including Translations	461 058.00	-3 451.00	276 635.45	-720.00	-4 171.00	0.90%
2	B5-022	Management Board and management of the Agency Commitment and payment Appropriations	48 500.00	-30 781.00	4 317.64	720.00	-30 061.00	61.98%
	Sum		509 558.00		280 953.09	0.00		
								G=C+D
								275 915.45
								5 037.64
								280 953.09

h) 9 November 2023: Transfer within REACH Title 1 – Staff expenditure

As the budget lines for staff expenditure are provisional by nature and the initial budget needs are established based on ECHA's Establishment Plan, there is an inherent uncertainty in this planning (for example, related to the entry grades, staff turnover and family allowances of newcomers). To date, there were higher than anticipated needs on the budget line for 'Medical services and social welfare' and, in parallel, there were funds available on the 'Further training and language courses to staff' budget line. Therefore, a transfer between budget lines within Title 1 (as per the table below) was required.

CT 348- Reach								
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A
1	A- 1500	Further training and language courses for staff	573 248.00	-13 568.00	30 907.19	-5 088.00	-18 656.00	3.25%
2	A- 1401	Medical service and social welfare	389 996.00	2 569.00	12 544.92	5 088.00	7 657.00	1.96%
	Sum		963 244.00		43 452.11	0.00		
								G=C+D
								25 819.19
								17 632.92
								43 452.11

i) 9 November 2023: Transfer within Biocides Title 1 – Staff expenditure

As the budget lines for staff expenditure are provisional by nature and the initial budget needs are established based on ECHA's Establishment Plan, there is an inherent uncertainty in this planning (for example, related to the entry grades, staff turnover and family allowances of newcomers). To date, there were higher than anticipated needs for recruitment and resettlement allowances, and replacements by external staff (interims) and, in parallel, there were funds available on the 'Temporary agents' budget line. In addition, a small increase was needed on the budget line for Medical services and social welfare of staff and, at the same time, there was a surplus on the budget line for further training and language courses for staff. Therefore, a transfer between budget lines within Title 1 (as per the table below) was required.

CT 349- Biocides								
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A
1	A-1500	Further training and language courses for staff	78 416.00	-1 856.00	4 227.88	-696.00	-2 552.00	3.25%
2	A-1401	Medical service and social welfare	53 349.00	352.00	1 717.14	696.00	1 048.00	1.96%
3	A-1111	Temporary agents	6 740 000.00	170 000.00	170 000.00	-43 300.00	126 700.00	1.88%
4	A-1602	Interim services	100 000.00	0.00	0.00	10 300.00	10 300.00	10.30%
5	A-1201	Install. resettl. removal and daily allow	40 000.00	65 000.00	25 000.00	30 000.00	95 000.00	237.50%
6	A-1115	Seconded national experts and trainees	120 000.00	-31 000.00	0.00	3 000.00	-28 000.00	23.33%
	Sum		7 131 765.00		175 945.02	0.00		
								G=C+D
								142 945.02

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CT 350- ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTIVES AND INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS								
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A
1	A-1500	Further training and language courses for staff	24 336.00	-576.00	1 312.10	-216.00	-792.00	3.25%
2	A-1401	Medical service and social welfare	16 557.00	110.00	534.09	216.00	326.00	1.97%
	Sum		40 893.00		1 846.19	0.00		
								G=C+D
								1 096.10
								750.09
								1 846.19

k) 20 November 2023: Transfer within REACH Title 2 – Other operating expenditure

ECHA pays the maintenance costs related to the office building, including the charges for heating, cooling, electricity etc, based on an annual budget, as estimated by the landlord and, by end-March of the following year, ECHA receives a breakdown of the actual costs for the previous year, which could result in either a recovery or a balancing payment. The year 2023 witnessed a higher than anticipated increase in the real estate tax and revaluation of the conference centre. Following the landlord's confirmation that, by end-September 2023, the accumulated amount due was c. €150,000 higher than budgeted, a transfer, as shown in the table below, was required.

CT 351 - Reach									
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item	Total available appropriations
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A	G=C+D
1	A-2112	ICT services	6 237 794.00	-22 087.00	321 420.86	-84 800.00	-106 887.00	1.71%	236 620.86
2	A-2302	Documentation library and acquisition of informati	44 139.00	3 816.00	2 791.90	-2 756.00	1 060.00	2.40%	35.90
3	A-2304	Other operating expenditure	215 774.00	4 719.00	5 650.31	-3 816.00	903.00	0.42%	1 834.31
4	A-2000	Rental costs	6 895 767.00	52 426.00	128.75	91 372.00	143 798.00	2.09%	91 500.75
	Sum		13 393 474.00		329 991.82	0.00			329 991.82

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CT 352 - Biocides									
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item	Total available appropriations
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A	G=C+D
1	A-2112	ICT services	853 284.00	-3 020.00	47 034.26	-11 600.00	-14 620.00	1.71%	35 434.26
2	A-2302	Documentation library and acquisition of informati	6 038.00	522.00	382.02	-377.00	145.00	2.40%	5.02
3	A-2304	Other operating expenditure	29 517.00	2 192.00	774.52	-522.00	1 670.00	5.66%	252.52
4	A-2000	Rental costs	943 289.00	7 172.00	18.25	12 499.00	19 671.00	2.09%	12 517.25
	Sum		1 832 128.00		48 209.05	0.00			48 209.05

m) 20 November 2023: Transfer within ENV Title 2 – Other operating expenditure

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CT 353 - ENVIRONMENTAL DIRECTIVES AND INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS									
A/A	Budget item	Description	Initial Budget	Previous Transfers / amendments	Available (non committed) Budget	Current Transfer	Total Transfers	% of the source Budget Item	Total available appropriations
			A	B	C	D	E	F=E/A	G=C+D
1	A-2112	ICT services	264 813.00	-936.00	14 598.84	-3 600.00	-4 536.00	1.71%	10 998.84
2	A-2302	Documentation library and acquisition of informati	1 874.00	162.00	118.70	-117.00	45.00	2.40%	1.70
3	A-2304	Other operating expenditure	9 161.00	681.00	241.64	-162.00	519.00	5.67%	79.64
4	A-2000	Rental costs	292 745.00	2 226.00	6.00	3 879.00	6 105.00	2.09%	3 885.00
	Sum		568 593.00		14 965.18	0.00			14 965.18