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# MINUTES

Meeting of 4 September 2024, 14.30-16.30,

BRUSSELS

*The meeting opened at 14:38 with Giuseppe Lupo (Vice-Chair) presiding.*

## 1. Adoption of agenda

**Decision:** The draft agenda was adopted with the following changes:

Point 10 and the first part of point 11 have been postponed to the next committee meeting of 23 September.

## 2. Chair's announcements

The draft decisions of the coordinators' meeting of 23 July 2024 were adopted in the form annexed to these minutes.

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\*\*\* *Voting time* \*\*\*

## 3. 2024 Budget: Section III - Commission:

**Rapporteur: Siegfried Mureşan (EPP)**

- No transfer request received

## 4. 2024 Budget: Other Sections

**Rapporteur: Nils Ušakovs (S&D)**

- EDPS: n°1/2024, n°2/2024 - Adopted: 28 votes to 3, with 1 abstention

- No other transfer request received

**Speakers:** Claudia Pruy (EDPS), Nils Ušakovs, Rasmus Nordqvist.

**5. Building policy:  
- No building request received**

**\*\*\* End of vote \*\*\***

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**6. General budget of the European Union for the financial year 2025 - all sections**  
BUDG/10/00468  
2024/0176(BUD)

Co- rapporteurs:

Victor Negrescu (S&D)

DT – PE763.050v01-00

Niclas Herbst (PPE)

Responsible:

BUDG

Opinions:

AFET, DEVE, INTA, CONT, ECON, EMPL, ENVI, ITRE, IMCO, TRAN, REGI,  
AGRI, PECH, CULT, JURI, LIBE, AFCO, FEMM, PETI

- Presentation of the Working document on Draft Budget and Council's position

**Decision:** Exchange of views

**Speakers:** Victor Negrescu, Karlo Ressler, Andrzej Halicki, Julien Sanchez,  
Rasmus Nordqvist, Nikolas Farantouris, Lukas Sieper, Angéline Furet,  
Jean-Marc Germain, Joachim Streit, Lenka Filipkova (EC, DG BUDG).

**7. Mobilisation of the European Union Solidarity Fund to provide assistance to Italy, Slovenia, Austria, Greece and France relating to six natural disasters occurred in 2023**

BUDG/10/00854

2024/0212(BUD) COM(2024)0325 – C10-0088/2024

Rapporteur:

Georgios Aftias (PPE)

PR – PE763.077v01-00

Responsible:

BUDG

Opinions:

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- Consideration of draft report

**Decision:** Exchange of views

- Deadline for tabling amendments: **9 September 2024, 17.30**

**Speakers:** Lenka Filipkova (EC, DG BUDG), Georgios Aftias, Matjaž Nemeč, Ruggero Razza, Nikolas Farantouris, Lukas Sieper.

**8. Draft amending budget no 2 to the general budget 2024 entering the surplus of the financial year 2023**

BUDG/10/00378  
2024/0089(BUD)

Rapporteur:

Siegfried Mureşan (PPE)

PR – PE763.033v01-00

Responsible:

BUDG

- Consideration of draft report

**Decision:** Exchange of views

- Deadline for tabling amendments: **18 September 2024, 12.00**

**Speakers:** Siegfried Mureşan, Victor Negrescu, Lenka Filipkova (EC, DG BUDG).

**9. Draft amending budget no 4 to the general budget 2024 - update of revenue (own resources) and adjustments to some decentralised agencies**

BUDG/10/00727  
2024/0185(BUD)

Rapporteur:

Siegfried Mureşan (PPE)

Responsible:

BUDG

- Presentation by the Commission

**Decision:** Exchange of views

- Deadline for tabling amendments: **26 September 2024, 12.00**

**Speakers:** Lenka Filipkova (EC, DG BUDG), Siegfried Mureşan, Victor Negrescu.

**10. Exchange of views on Institutions' building policy: European Commission**

BUDG/10/00839

- Exchange of views

**Decision:** Postponed to the next meeting

**11. Building policy - exchange of views:**

- **EC: Brussels B1 - B4 occupancy of buildings of 20,000 m<sup>2</sup> - postponed to the next meeting**

- **EASA: Extension of the lease duration of the Rental Agreement at the Agency's HQ (in camera) - Exchange of views**

**- No other information received**

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*The meeting closed at 16:49.*

**4 September 2024, 18.15 – 18.30**

***Joint meeting with the Committee on Budgetary Control (see separate agenda)***

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**5 September 2024, 9.00 – 11.30**

***Coordinator's meeting (in camera)***

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**12. Any other business**

**13. Date of next meeting**

16 September 2024 - Joint BUDG-ECON meeting (Strasbourg)

23 September 2024 - BUDG meeting

7 October 2024 - Extraordinary BUDG meeting (Strasbourg)

## Results of roll-call votes

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Key:

+ : in favour

- : against

0 : abstentions

**1. Transfers 2024 Budget: Other sections – EDPS: n°1/2024, n°2/2024 - Nils Ušakovs (S&D)**

**1.1. Final vote**

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ECR	Ruggero Razza, Bogdan Rzońca
NI	Thomas Geisel, Lukas Sieper
PPE	Georgios Aftias, Isabel Benjumea Benjumea, Michalis Hadjipantela, Andrzej Halicki, Siegfried Mureşan, Fernando Navarrete Rojas, Danuše Nerudová, Jüri Ratas, Karlo Ressler, Hélder Sousa Silva
Renew	Fabienne Keller, Lucia Yar
S&D	Jens Geier, Jean-Marc Germain, Giuseppe Lupo, Victor Negrescu, Matjaž Nemeč, Carla Tavares, Nils Ušakovs
The Left	Nikolas Farantouris, Jussi Saramo
Verts/ALE	Ignazio Roberto Marino, Rasmus Nordqvist, Nicolae Ştefănuţă

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ESN	Alexander Jungbluth
PfE	Angéline Furet, Julien Sanchez

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PfE	Auke Zijlstra

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<p>Monika Hohlmeier (1<sup>st</sup> VP), Giuseppe Lupo (2<sup>nd</sup> VP), Lucia Yar (4<sup>th</sup> VP)</p>
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<p>Georgios Aftias, Isabel Benjumea Benjumea, Nikolas Farantouris, Angéline Furet, Jens Geier, Thomas Geisel, Jean-Marc Germain, Andrzej Halicki, Alexander Jungbluth, Fabienne Keller, Ignazio Roberto Marino, Siegfried Mureșan, Fernando Navarrete Rojas, Victor Negrescu, Matjaž Nemec, Danuše Nerudová, João Oliveira, Ruggero Razza, Karlo Ressler, Bogdan Rzońca, Julien Sanchez, Lukas Sieper, Hélder Sousa Silva, Nicolae Ștefănuță, Joachim Streit, Carla Tavares, Nils Ušakovs, Auke Zijlstra</p>
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<p>Stine Bosse, Adnan Dibrani, Dick Erixon, Michalis Hadjipantela, Kinga Kollár, Tiago Moreira de Sá, Rasmus Nordqvist, Jacek Protas, Jūri Ratas, Jussi Saramo</p>

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## BUDG COORDINATORS' DECISIONS

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Tuesday, 23 July 2024, 14:30 - 17:00, ANTALL 6Q2 (Brussels)  
*Wednesday, 24 July 2024, 09:30 - 11:30, SPINELLI 5G3 (Brussels) (Cancelled)*

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### Present

*Chair:* Mr Johan VAN OVERTVELDT (Chair)

*Coordinators:* Mr Karlo RESSLER (EPP), and Vice-coordinator Ms BENJUMEA (EPP)  
Mr Jean-Marc GERMAIN (S&D)  
Mr Ondřej KOVAŘÍK (Pfe)  
Mr Bogdan RZOŃCA (ECR)  
Ms Lucia YAR (Renew)  
Mr Damian BOESELAGER, replacing Mr Rasmus ANDRESEN (Greens/EFA)  
Mr Younous OMARJEE (The Left)  
Mr Alexander JUNGBLUTH (ESN)

## 1. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 2. POINTS FOR DECISION

### 2.1. General working methods of the coordinators' meetings

Coordinators agreed that the Vice-Chairs will be invited to the coordinators' meetings in a consultative role.

Coordinators also agreed to follow past practice as regards the transmission of the coordinators' decisions, i.e. the secretariat sends the draft decisions to the coordinators, on behalf of the Chair, as soon as possible after the meeting, setting a deadline for endorsement. During the following committee meeting, the coordinators' draft decisions are made public and announced by the Chair.

Coordinators postponed their other decisions on the working methods to the next coordinators' meetings.

### 2.2. Attribution of files and appointment of rapporteurs

The coordinators endorsed the method for attribution of files and appointment of rapporteurs, as follows:

Reports, budgetary assessments and opinions will be put on the agenda for a decision on the action to be taken during the first coordinators' meeting following the referral to the BUDG Committee. The secretariat on behalf of the Chair will make a recommendation for follow-up on each file to help the coordinators to take a decision. Decisions can be taken by written procedure, if needed.

Each political group receives a number of points that can be used for the purposes of allocating files. The allocation of points to a group is equal to 2 times its numerical strength in BUDG at the beginning of the term (full members only), and again to the same number at the half-way point of the term (unused points will be lost at half-term).

The rapporteurships for the annual budgetary procedure (Section III and Other sections) and standing rapporteurships will be attributed at no cost in points.

In the case of a package of Commission proposals, each file shall be allocated following the order of the COM number, unless coordinators decide otherwise.

Prices are as follows (→ see also specifications under points 2.3 and 2.4):

Type of file	Example of procedures	Report	Budgetary assessment <sup>1</sup>	Opinion
Ordinary Legislative	COD	3	1	1
Consent	NLE, APP	2	1	1
Consultation	NLE, CNS	2	1	1
Implementation	INI	1.5	n/a	0.5
Own-initiative	INI, INL	1.5 <sup>2</sup>	n/a	0.5

If two or more groups are interested in the same file, the group with the highest number of

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<sup>1</sup> Except for fisheries agreement → see point 2.4

<sup>2</sup> Including oral questions with resolutions

points remaining prevails. In case two or more groups have the same number of points, the size of the groups in the committee prevails.

Exceptionally, should coordinators decide to request co-rapporteurship on a given file, each group being allocated the file will pay the full amount of points, as defined in the table above. Political groups that are attributed a file shall communicate swiftly the names of their rapporteurs to the secretariat, and the other political groups shall communicate the names of their shadow rapporteurs, if any, as quickly as possible. Moreover, rapporteurs and shadows rapporteurs are required to ensure timely compliance with rules on ethics, transparency and avoiding conflict of interests, to avoid delays in starting work on files.

The following additional arrangements apply:

- In case no political group expresses interest in a report which requires a response from the committee and which does not fall under special arrangements (→ *see point 2.4*), the file will be attributed for zero points to the Chair. If no response from the committee is needed, no action will be taken.
- In case of a change in the composition of the committee or in the number of political groups, the allocation of points will be rebalanced proportionally on the basis of the relative size of the groups in the committee and of the fraction of time left until the half-way point or the end of the term.
- If a group was attributed a report which subsequently becomes an opinion (e.g. the BUDG committee was initially designated responsible in a joint committee procedure under Rule 59 but then becomes an opinion-giving committee under Rule 57), or vice-versa a group was attributed an opinion that becomes a report:
  - the group may keep the rapporteurship: points will be subtracted or refunded as appropriate: if a group does not have enough points to pay for a report that was an opinion, it will have to forfeit the file;
  - the group may forfeit the rapporteurship: the points spent will be refunded and the file reattributed using the standard system.
- Should work on a file that was attributed to a political group exceptionally not start (e.g. if the Council decides not to follow-up on a Commission proposal or if the Commission decides to withdraw the file), the points spent may be refunded to the relevant group upon decision of the coordinators.
- In all other cases, if a group decides to forfeit a rapporteurship, no points will be refunded and the file will be reattributed using the standard system.

### **2.3. Rapporteurs for the annual budget**

Coordinators re-appointed the following rapporteurs for the 2024 and 2025 budgets at no cost in points:

	Section III (Commission)	Other Sections
Budget 2024	Siegfried Mureşan (EPP)	Nils Ušakovs (S&D)
Budget 2025	Victor Negrescu (S&D)	Niclas Herbst (EPP)

Coordinators decided that the following groups will be allocated the rapporteurships for the annual budgets from 2026 to 2030 at no cost in points, as follows:

	Section III (Commission)	Other Sections
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Budget 2026	EPP	S&D
Budget 2027	S&D	EPP
Budget 2028	EPP	Renew
Budget 2029	S&D	EPP
Budget 2030	EPP	S&D

Rapporteurs for the annual budget for the following year have to be appointed by the relevant groups by the end of November of the previous year (e.g. in November 2024 for the 2026 budget).

According to the Conference of Presidents' decision on parliamentary reform of December 2023, BUDG coordinators should strive to nominate one member per group for each of the two teams (Section III and Other sections including EP budget) as 'standing members' working on the budget procedure. As a minimum, coordinators should ensure that the shadow rapporteur for the budget of the current year takes up the role of general rapporteur for the budget of the following year according to the attribution of the annual budgets to political groups.

Coordinators further decided to:

- confirm the arrangements of the organisation of the Budget network, including that it will be chaired by the general rapporteur for the annual budget of the following year;
- endorse the draft letter from the Chair - co-signed with CONT Chair - on the appointment of a standing rapporteur or a Vice-Chair responsible for budgetary matters and on the set-up of the Budget and the Discharge networks.

#### ***2.4. Standing rapporteurs and special arrangements***

Coordinators decided to appoint standing rapporteurs on the following topics at no costs in points for half the legislative term and allocate them to political groups as follows (all files under the corresponding topic shall be attributed to the standing rapporteurs at no cost in points):

- Multiannual Financial Framework (EPP and S&D)

*Communicated to the BUDG secretariat in writing by the EPP, S&D, Renew and Greens/EFA groups after the meeting:*

Coordinators agreed to create an MFF steering group chaired by the BUDG Chair and composed of the MFF co-rapporteurs, OR co-rapporteurs, one representative of Renew, and one representative of Greens/EFA. The objective of this steering group is to facilitate the work of the MFF co-rapporteurs with regular exchanges as needed through the process, including ahead of trilateral meetings.

In view of ensuring the best possible outcome in the interinstitutional negotiations, members of the steering group are invited to official trilateral meetings.

The Chair and MFF co-rapporteurs are exclusively entitled to take the floor, negotiate and represent the Parliament in this process.

- Own Resources and other revenue (EPP and S&D)
- Buildings (Renew)

- Decentralised Agencies (EPP)
- Financial Regulation (Greens/EFA)
- European Investment Bank annual report (Renew)
- Scrutiny of the rule of law conditionality for the protection of the Union budget (S&D and Renew)

This is a joint file with the Committee on Budgetary Control (CONT). According to Rule 59, when a matter falls within the competence of two or three committees, without the competence of any of them prevailing, the procedure with joint meetings of committees and a joint vote may be applied pursuant to Rule 48 or Rule 55. Each committee shall appoint one rapporteur. Should legislative files be referred to BUDG on this topic or should BUDG decide to draw up an own-initiative report or an opinion on this topic, S&D will be in charge for the 1st half of the term and Renew for the second half of the term.

- Gender mainstreaming (Renew and Greens/EFA), including participation in the gender network if set-up by the Committee on Women’s Rights and Gender Equality (FEMM).

Coordinators also decided to rotate the attribution of the following files among the EPP, S&D, ECR, Renew, Greens/EFA and The Left groups on the basis of the rolling D’Hondt method, at no cost in points:

- European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF) mobilisation decisions
- European Union Solidarity Fund (EUSF) mobilisation decisions
- Budgetary assessments on fisheries agreements
- Budgetary assessments when requested by the lead committee
- Opinions under Rule 47(4) (legislative initiative reports)

## 2.5. Appointments

No appointment.

## 2.6. Resumption of business

*Decided by written procedure*

### Unfinished business

<b>Reports</b>			
COM(2024)0100 2024/0060(COD)	Proposal for a Regulation amending Regulations (EU) 2021/522, (EU) 2021/1057, (EU) 2021/1060, (EU) 2021/1139, (EU) 2021/1229, and (EU) 2021/1755 as regards the changes to the amounts of funds for certain	<u>Decision:</u> <b>No resumption of business</b>	Lead: BUDG

	programmes and funds		
COM(2024)0301 2024/0059(COD)	Proposal for a Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2021/1148 as regards the financial envelope and the allocation for the thematic facility	<u>Decision:</u> <b>No resumption of business</b>	Lead: BUDG
COM(2018)0387 2018/0212(COD)	Proposal for a Regulation on the establishment of a European Investment Stabilisation Function	<u>Decision:</u> <b>Obsolete, no resumption of business</b>	Lead: BUDG - ECON
COM(2022)0102 2022/0072(APP)	Amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2021/768 of 30 April 2021 as regards implementing measures for new own resources of the European Union	<u>Decision:</u> <b>Resume business</b>	Lead: BUDG

#### Other pending file

<b>Report</b>			
COM(2022)0101 2022/0071(NLE)	Methods and procedure for making available own resources based on the Emissions Trading System, the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism and reallocated profits and on the measures to meet cash requirements	<u>Secretariat proposal:</u> <b>Resume business</b>	Lead: BUDG

### ***2.7. Decisions on procedures to be applied in BUDG***

Coordinators agreed on the procedures for Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions (PP-PA). PP-PA proposals are to be submitted as budgetary amendments. Before that, Parliament, following the Interinstitutional agreement (IIA), submits its PP-PA proposals to the Commission for a pre-assessment of the feasibility of their implementation.

The following procedures apply to the pre-assessment:

- PPPA proposals must be submitted exclusively by means of the standardised form made available for this purpose (on the BUDG eCommittee site, where all relevant information is stored).
- PPPA proposals can only be submitted via the following means:
  - a Committee endorsement<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> Only full and substitute BUDG Members may submit proposals directly to the BUDG committee. Other Members may submit proposals to BUDG only if at least one of the co-authors is a full or substitute BUDG Member; if this is not the case, proposals may be submitted via specialised committees (respecting the procedure and deadlines set by those committees).

- o a political group
  - o members reaching at least the low threshold (36+ Members co-authoring the proposal)
- Members are strongly encouraged to send their PPPA proposals as far as possible in English. Submission in languages other than the Commission's working languages (English, French and German) may extend the time needed for pre-assessment by the Commission.

A re-assessment takes place during the summer to allow Parliament to react to the Commission feedback and improve the proposals. The general rapporteur then usually takes the Commission's assessment into account while drafting the compromise package of PP-PAs ahead of the BUDG vote on the budget.

PP-PA proposals linked to initiative legislative reports (INLs) submitted by committees are transmitted to the Commission during the pre-assessment exercise for information only. Under the RoP, they are to be given priority in the voting.

Coordinators agreed on the way BUDG PPPAs will be submitted for the second round of pre-assessment exceptionally this year.

Coordinators also agreed that notifications of Special advisers by the other institutions will be included as point for information in the next coordinators' meeting, or sent by written procedure to meet the statutory deadlines. They endorsed the letter from the Chair to the next Commissioner asking to notify the budgetary authority of all the special advisers, also non-remunerated.

Coordinators postponed their decisions on the other working procedures to the next coordinators' meeting.

## **2.8. Public hearings**

Coordinators decided to postpone the point to the next coordinators' meeting.

## **2.9. Requests for expertise to the Policy Department for Budgetary Affairs**

Coordinators held an exchange views on possible expertise to be launched in 2024 and, in order to quickly get relevant input for the launch of the committee preparatory work on the post-2027 MFF, mandated the Policy Department for Budgetary Affairs to organise a workshop and to commission short briefing papers covering the following topics:

- Performance-based instruments;
- Flexibility in the EU budget/programmes;
- Management of liabilities in the EU budget;
- EU enlargement;
- EU added value policies;
- Mainstreaming in the EU budget.

Coordinators decided to request possible additional expertise on the rule of law conditionality in the autumn, and to revisit the matter in conjunction with the planned meeting with the responsible Commissioner (point 2.10).

## ***2.10. Scrutiny***

### Annual report on the financial activities of the European Investment Bank

Coordinators agreed that a joint BUDG-ECON letter is sent to the CCC to:

- inform, based on past practices and taking into account the new rules of procedures, that BUDG and ECON committees will alternate as lead and opinion-giving (new Rule 57) committee on a yearly basis for the annual report on the financial activities of the European Investment Bank;
- request the authorisation to draw up the annual EIB report for 2024 with ECON as lead committee and BUDG as opinion-giving committee.

### Technical Support Instrument

Coordinators agreed to invite the Commissioner in charge of TSI to a BUDG-ECON meeting in November/December.

### Invest EU

Coordinators agreed to resume the past practice and invite the Chair of the InvestEU Steering Board to a BUDG-ECON meeting in November/December and, in preparation of this meeting, to organise an in-camera meeting with the EP representative on the InvestEU Steering Board, Mr Alain Lamassoure.

### Recovery and Resilience Dialogue (RRD)

Coordinators mandated the BUDG-ECON secretariats to organise the next RRD meeting during the September plenary session, with October I as a back-up option.

### RRF Working Group

Coordinators decided to postpone the discussion to the next coordinator's meeting.

### General regime of conditionality for the protection of the Union budget

Coordinators agreed to invite Commissioner Hahn for an exchange of views in BUDG/CONT in October and to postpone the discussion on the modalities of scrutiny of the Conditionality Regulation in the new term to a future coordinators' meeting.

### Joint meetings with the Budgets committee of the Ukrainian Parliament (the Verkhovna Rada)

Coordinators decided to continue the dialogue with the Rada, building on the already established cooperation, by holding two joint committee meetings per year (one per semester) on mutually agreed topics.

### Ukraine Facility dialogue

Coordinators agreed to hold the first Ukraine Facility dialogue meeting, involving both the AFET and BUDG committees, in autumn this year. Concrete organisational and cooperation arrangements will be discussed at a later stage.

### Dialogue on Reform and Growth Facility for the Western Balkans

Coordinators agreed to hold the first dialogue meeting on the Reform and Growth Facility, involving both the AFET and BUDG committees, in autumn this year. Concrete organisational and cooperation arrangements will be discussed at a later stage.

### Enhancing BUDG scrutiny of adopted files

In addition to the standing Rapporteurship (S&D and RE) on the scrutiny of rule of law

conditionality (see point 2.4 above), Coordinators agreed to appoint members responsible for scrutiny of TSI, InvestEU, RRF, Ukraine Facility and Western Balkans Facility and communicate the names to the secretariat at a later stage.

Coordinators postponed the discussion on the approach on the reporting back and on how to make scrutiny more visible.

### ***2.11. Calendar of committee meetings 2024***

Coordinators endorsed the draft calendar of committee meetings for the second half of 2024 as follows:

Tuesday 23 July, 14.30-18.00
Wednesday 4 September, 9.00-12.30
Wednesday 4 September, 14.30-18.30
Monday 23 September, 15.00-18.30
Monday, 14 October, 15.00-18.30
Wednesday 6 November, 9.00-12.30
Wednesday 6 November, 14.30-18.30
Thursday 7 November, 9.00-12.30
Thursday 7 November, 14.30-18.30
Thursday 21 November, 9.00-12.30
Thursday 21 November, 14.30-18.30
Thursday 12 December, 9.00-12.30
Thursday 12 December, 14.30-18.30

### ***2.12. BUDG PPPA package for 2nd round of pre-assessment***

*Decided by written procedure*

Coordinators endorsed the list of proposals to be submitted as BUDG Committee proposals for the second round of pre-assessment.

## **3. POINTS FOR INFORMATION**

### ***3.1. Calendar of budgetary procedure 2025***

### ***3.2. Linguistic profile for committee meetings***

Based on the composition of the committee, the linguistic profile of the committee meetings is as follows:

- Meeting rooms with 12 interpretation booths:  
FR, DE, IT, NL, EN, HU, EL, ES, PT, CS, PL, RO
- Meeting rooms with 16 interpretation booths:  
FR, DE, IT, NL, EN, DA, EL, ES, PT, CS, HU, PL, SK, SL, RO, HR
- Meeting rooms with 20 interpretation booths:  
FR, DE, IT, NL, EN, EL, ES, PT, FI, SV, CS, HU, LT, LV, PL, SK, RO, HR

### ***3.3. Committee working methods***

*Rules and practices for parliamentary committees, and the BUDG committee in particular,*

*have consolidated over time and cover a wide range of aspects of the work. This paragraph is by no means exhaustive and only aims at giving a brief, high-level overview of the main activities and practices of the committee to new members based on the Rules of Procedures (RoP), CoP decisions, CCC guidelines, committees' best practices etc.*

### Conduct of committee meetings

The BUDG committee meets in public to debate matters under its remit on average once to twice a month. Pursuant to Rule 222 of RoP, each committee meeting is convened with a draft agenda approved by the Chair, which is drawn up on the basis of a forward plan of activities maintained by the secretariat. The committee adopts the agenda at the beginning of the meeting. A BUDG newsletter, describing the main points on the agenda, is sent out ahead of the committee meeting. As a general rule, committee meetings are webstreamed on the Parliament's website. The Chair can decide however to hold committee meetings in camera for security or confidentiality reasons.

Generally, for each item on the agenda, the floor is given first to the rapporteur of the corresponding file (if any), followed by a representative of each political group in the order of the relative size of that political group (shadow rapporteur, coordinator or other designated Member). The rest of the speaking time is usually allocated on the basis of a "catch-the-eye" procedure. In special cases (e.g. hearings of Commissioners) speaking time may be allocated in advance to Members, taking into account the balance among political groups, and the 'ping-pong' principle (one question directly followed by an answer) may be applied where appropriate. Depending on the time available, the Chair may impose a limit on Members' speaking time. The Commission may be given the floor at the end of a debate, where relevant, before the rapporteur's conclusions.

Any special requests as regards the conduct of a committee meeting (e.g. requests to broadcast/photograph parts of a meeting, invite groups of visitors, etc.) require prior authorisation of the Chair via the secretariat.

### Lifecycle of files

Reports, budgetary assessments and opinions for which the committee is responsible are duly and publicly debated in committee meetings at different stages.

An administrative project team coordinated by the responsible administrator in the BUDG secretariat is usually set up to support the rapporteur's work. Rapporteurs take responsibility for the timetable of their reports/budgetary assessment/opinions, where necessary in cooperation with the shadow rapporteurs. In some duly justified cases, such as the budgetary procedure or the MFF file, the timetable may be endorsed by the coordinators. The Chair informs the committee of the dates of the committee stages of each file. This is without prejudice to the Chair's prerogatives under the Rules to set the deadline for amendments and put texts to vote.

Once the rapporteur's draft report or opinion is available, the committee holds a first debate on it, and a deadline is set by which full and substitute members of the committee may table amendments. The amendments may be debated during another committee meeting, in particular in case of legislative reports and where time allows.

Usually, once the amendments are available, the rapporteur and the shadow rapporteurs meet in 'shadows meetings' to discuss the respective positions and try to bridge differences by drafting compromise amendments (as general practice, compromise amendments are available in English only) that facilitate the vote in the committee. Amendments and strategy in the context of the budgetary procedure are generally discussed in coordinators' meetings, in the

presence of the rapporteurs and shadow rapporteurs.

A voting list is drawn up by the secretariat under the authority of the Chair and in accordance with the applicable rules on voting on amendments (see in particular Rules 188-190). The draft voting list is sent to the rapporteur and the political groups, and a deadline is set for comments and requests (such as for split/separate votes, oral amendments, withdrawal of amendments, etc.). After taking the comments received into account, the final voting list with the rapporteur's indications is sent out to the groups and made publicly available in the documents for the meeting. The Chair has the final say on any issues that may arise as regards the voting list, including inadmissibility. The final voting list with compromise amendments is made available at the latest one working day before the vote, unless in exceptional cases, and is published on the committee's website. The preparation of the voting list and the running of the vote is facilitated by the use of an electronic application (iVote).

The vote in committee takes place according to the applicable rules (see in particular Rules 194-200), by show of hands and/or electronic voting. Single and/or final vote is taken by roll-call. The Chair's decision on the results of votes is final. Where a full member is absent and the substitute has not been appointed or is absent, the name of any member replacing them should be announced by the Chair ahead of the vote and published in due course after the vote.

As from this term, a new application will be used to automatically record and import the voting results. This means that members without voting cards will not be able to vote and no manual changes will be possible after the vote. This new procedure will not include buildings/transfers files. The results will be published on the BUDG eCommittee page as before.

#### Non-attached Members

According to CCC guidelines on “the participation of non-attached members as individual members in committee work” from March 2024 (see annex), non-attached Members (NA) are not included in the point allocation system but may be appointed as rapporteur. Nor may they be appointed as shadow rapporteurs or benefit from any of the entitlements linked to the status of shadow rapporteur. NA members must be granted access to information on trilogues, in accordance with the provisions and principles set out in Rule 74. They may be appointed as a member of a committee mission or delegation; in case of dispute, the rolling d'Hondt method shall apply to political groups and to non-attached Members and shall apply for the period of the whole legislative term. The NA attached Members count as one individual Member in the order of seats allocated according to the rolling d'Hondt method and are placed in the order after the position of the seat allocated to the smallest political group. Debates in committee will ensure speaking time also for non-attached Members.

#### Reinforced link between annual budget procedure (BUDG committee) and budgetary discharge procedure

As an outcome of the EP reform 2024, Budgetary scrutiny and follow-up of the implementation of the budget as well as budgetary control should be seen as a cumulative and continuous process covering the full budgetary cycle from the adoption of estimates to the budgetary discharge (a “scrutiny relay” in which the baton is passed on). Legislative and budgetary scrutiny and their follow-up should be combined via regular involvement of sectoral committees in the various key stages of the budgetary lifecycle. Focused ‘scrutiny’ discussions could take place in ad hoc committee meetings or in dedicated horizontal structures (e.g. Budget and Discharge networks see point 2.3).

#### Interinstitutional negotiations

Under Rule 75 of the RoP, Parliament's negotiating team shall be led by the rapporteur and shall be presided over by the Chair of the committee responsible or by a Vice-Chair designated by the Chair, who may not be a shadow rapporteur for the report concerned. If neither the Chair nor a Vice-Chair can attend a specific trilogue, the Chair shall inform the President before the meeting takes place that the negotiating team will be exceptionally presided over by the rapporteur.

The negotiating team shall consist of the shadow rapporteur from each political group that wishes to participate (and the BUDG rapporteur where there is a budgetary assessment under Rule 58). If a shadow rapporteur is unable to attend a specific trilogue, his or her political group may appoint another Member to replace the shadow rapporteur.

The negotiating team should discuss how to design the process to get the best result and informal negotiating sessions should only be used as agreed by the negotiating team (the presence of the secretariat should be ensured).

#### Cooperation under Rule 59 (joint procedure)

At the beginning of each joint file, a dialogue with the other lead committee will be held to establish practices on the basis of the checklist in annex.

#### Multilingualism

In compliance with the EP rules on multilingualism, committee debates and votes on files are held in principle once the corresponding documents (reports, amendments) are available in all of its Members' official languages.

However, there are circumstances where it is not feasible to respect the rules of multilingualism, due to hard deadlines set out in the EU Treaties (e.g. annual budget procedure) or in primary law (e.g. EGF) or to political urgency. In such cases, the committee is forced to work in English only: this concerns inter alia the resolution accompanying the committee vote on the annual budget during the budgetary procedure, the resolution accompanying the Estimates of Parliament's budget, the MFF as well as other procedures such as the adoption of decisions on the mobilisation of EGF and EUSF. Committee members are informed in advance of the procedure followed and the specific arrangements adopted.

#### Implications of changes in the composition of political groups

The RoP make no explicit provision for whether a rapporteur who changes political group should retain or be relieved of his/her rapporteurship. This differs from a shadow rapporteurship, which, as Rule 221 makes clear, belongs to a political group. According to the interpretation provided to Rule 216, a Member who changes political group "may not keep the status of full or substitute member of a committee which they had as members of their original group". At the same time, according to Rules 51 and 53, a Rapporteur may only be appointed from among the Members of a committee.

In December 2023 the Committee on Constitutional Affairs confirmed that re-allocating the post of rapporteur to another member, as the original member has changed political group, is in line with the RoP.

### **3.4. Ethics and Transparency**

### **3.5. Treatment of confidential information**

### **3.6. Conference on Stability, Economic Coordination and Governance**

### ***3.7. Designation of Special Advisers***

### ***3.8. BUDG activity report 2019-2024***

BUDG activity report is available on Parliament's website.

### ***3.9. Welcome pack***

The welcome pack is available on Parliament's website.

### ***3.10. Briefing notes***

These internal notes are available on BUDG eCommittee.

### ***3.11. Documents for information***

### ***3.12. Delegated and implementing acts***

## **4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

## **5. NEXT MEETING**

The next Coordinators' meeting is scheduled for 4 September in Brussels.