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1. INTRODUCTION

In conformity with Article 142 of the Financial Regulation (FR) ⁽¹⁾ this document constitutes a report on budgetary and financial management of Section II of the EU budget (European Council and Council) for the financial year 2017.

The report is based on the provisional accounts for 2017, the findings in the annual activity reports of the Council's authorising officers and the budget implementation information from the Council's financial system.

Chapter 2 of this report presents a summary of the framework which was established for the financial year 2017. A global overview of the implementation of the budget appropriations available in 2017 is given in Chapter 3.

The implementation of the budget 2017 by budget line is presented in Annex.

2. OBJECTIVES AND BUDGET FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2017

2.1. *Main financial objectives*

The main financial objectives of the General Secretariat of the Council for 2017 were:

- To ensure continuous support to the President of the European Council and to the Council by effective and efficient use of financial resources.
- To further proceed with the process of administrative modernisation with the objective to reinforce the quality of its organisation and proper use of resources.
- To settle the final cost of the Europa Building with the Belgian government.

2.2. *Establishment of the budget for the European Council and Council in 2017*

2.2.1. *General approach*

The establishment of the budget 2017 for the European Council and Council (EC/C hereafter) was based on the general objective not to exceed, in nominal terms, the overall level of the 2016 budget for non-salary-related expenditure.

Increases related to statutory or contractual obligations, or in domains which have been considered as essential for the proper functioning of the GSC, have been compensated by prioritising and reprogramming certain projects taking into account the budget implementation of the recent years.

As for the establishment plan, the GSC continued to streamline the organisation by implementing the following actions:

- reducing the number of posts in the establishment plan by 15 in line with the Commission's proposal to reduce the staff level by 5 % over five years (fifth and final year),
- transforming 65 AST (10 AST 3, 40 AST 2, 15 AST 1) posts into 65 SC posts (15 SC 3, 15 SC 2 and 35 SC 1) as part of the continuation of the administrative modernisation,
- addition of 1 AD 5 and 1 AST 1 post to reflect the new language regime of the Irish translation, as instructed by the Commission.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

2.2.2. Budget 2017

The budget authority established the overall EC/C budget 2017 at EUR 561,6 million. This corresponds to an increase of EUR 16,5 million (+ 3,0 %) compared to 2016.

The number of posts in the establishment plan for 2017 for the EC/C was 3 027.

Table 1 gives an overview on the budget 2017 by different categories.

Table 1

EC/C budget 2017 compared to 2016 (by category)

Category	Budget 2016	Budget 2017	Change 2017/2016
	1	2	3=2/1
Establishment plan	299 452 000	315 446 000	5,3 %
Other staff expenditure	23 850 000	24 878 000	4,3 %
Buildings (excluding acquisitions)	54 768 000	57 789 000	5,5 %
Computer systems	40 300 000	42 800 000	6,2 %
Furniture	1 016 000	942 000	- 7,3 %
Technical equipment	4 034 000	3 659 000	- 9,3 %
Transport	854 000	1 048 000	22,7 %
Delegations' travel expenses	17 802 000	17 802 000	0,0 %
Interpreting costs	82 739 000	79 816 000	- 3,5 %
Meetings and conferences	6 483 000	4 984 000	- 23,1 %
Information	8 251 000	8 285 000	0,4 %
Miscellaneous	2 505 000	2 127 000	- 15,1 %
Reserve	2 000 000	2 000 000	0,0 %
Total (excl. acquisition)	544 054 000	561 576 000	3,2 %
Acquisition of immovable property	1 000 000	—	
Grand total	545 054 000	561 576 000	3,0 %

2.2.3. Budget 2017 and the Financial Perspectives of Heading 5 of the EU Budget

Table 2 gives an overview on the evolution of the EC/C budget in 2010-2017. The EC/C share in the Heading 5 of the Multiannual Financial Perspectives has declined from 8,0 % in 2010 to 5,7 % in 2017.

Table 2

Evolution of the Section II of the EU budget (European Council and Council) under Heading 5 of the Financial Perspectives in 2010-2017

(Amounts at current prices)	2010		2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017	
	M€	change	M€	change	M€	change	M€	change	M€	change	M€	change	M€	change	M€	change
Heading 5	7 962	4,7 %	8 173	2,7 %	8 607	5,3 %	9 181	6,7 %	8 405	- 8,5 %	8 661	3,0 %	9 483	9,5 %	9 921	4,6 %
EC/C	634	5,1 %	563	- 11,2 %	534	- 5,2 %	536	0,3 %	534	- 0,2 %	542	1,4 %	545	0,6 %	562	3,0 %
EC/C share in Heading 5	8,0 %		6,9 %		6,2 %		5,8 %		6,4 %		6,3 %		5,7 %		5,7 %	

The reduction in 2011 is mainly due to the transfer of resources to the EEAS, whereas the decreases in 2012 and 2014 relate to reductions of appropriations of certain activities in view of the previous years' implementation and actual needs.

3. GLOBAL OVERVIEW OF BUDGET IMPLEMENTATION IN 2017

3.1. *Activities and objectives of the European Council and Council in 2017*

In the framework of the financial activity report, the GSC provides information on its core activities which are relevant from the financial point of view, and which describe the functioning of the European Council and Council during the financial year. It also highlights the principal accomplishments of the year.

3.1.1. Meetings

Table 3 gives an overview of the development of the number of meetings organised by the GSC for the European Council and Council between 2010 and 2017.

In 2017, in addition to the 4 290 'institutional' meetings, the GSC organised 3 030 other meetings (e.g. seminars, information sessions and briefings, and meetings with third countries).

Table 3

Development of the number of meetings in 2010-2017

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Summits	7	9	7	6	9	12	9	11
Summits art. 50								4
Councils	86	85	77	74	81	81	75	77
Coreper	122	135	140	140	135	138	109	105
Coreper art. 50								22
Working groups	4 127	4 373	4 480	4 164	4 016	3 471	3 569	4 039
<i>Ad hoc</i> Working group art. 50								32
Total	4 342	4 602	4 704	4 384	4 241	3 702	3 762	4 290
Other meetings	1 996	2 075	2 189	2 027	2 189	2 271	2 034	3 030
Grand total	6 338	6 677	6 893	6 411	6 430	5 973	5 796	7 320

The year 2017 has been marked by a continuous work to consolidate positive developments after previous years' crises. One visible result of this has been the Leaders' Agenda which was presented by President Tusk and endorsed in the October European Council.

The total number of meetings organised by the GSC went up by 26 % (1 524) compared to 2016. It is explained mainly by the increased activity of the presidency of the second semester and the creation of an *ad hoc* working group on Brexit.

Moreover, on 5 April 2017 the GSC hosted the conference on 'Supporting the future of Syria and the Region'. It brought together 54 countries and 26 international organisations to discuss the situation in Syria and the impact of the crisis in the region. The organisation of the event, which required significant security and logistic resources as well as an important diplomatic effort, was done together with the European Commission Directorate-General Neighbourhood.

In addition, the 5th Eastern Partnership (EaP) summit took place on 24 November 2017. It brought together EU countries with those of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova and Ukraine. The Heads of State and Government discussed how to further strengthen cooperation in the four priority areas agreed in the previous summit in Riga: stronger economy, governance, connectivity and society.

The GSC was able to meet the increased need for meetings by using the higher meeting room availability offered by the Europa Building, which since 2017 accommodates all types of meetings and not only high level meetings.

3.1.2. Legislative activities

Another quantitative indicator of activities is the number of legal acts published in the Official Journal (OJ) (Table 4). In 2017, 1 187 legal acts were published in the OJ. It should be noted that the publication of the legal acts in the OJ is the last step of the legislative process.

Table 4

Development of the number of legal acts in 2010-2017

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Legal acts published in OJ	825	986	958	1 132	1 437	1 412	1 259	1 187

The simplification programme of the European Commission in the area of legislation is starting to be reflected by a slight decrease in the number of legal acts. Due to the length of the legislative procedures, this effect is expected to be more obvious in the coming years.

3.1.3. Administrative modernisation

In 2017, the GSC continued to improve the quality and efficiency of its internal organisation.

Progress on implementation Action Plan

In 2017, the GSC continued the implementation of the Secretary-General 'Action Plan for a more dynamic, flexible and collaborative GSC' (presented on 27 September 2016) which identifies 5 priorities for the GSC:

- An effective administration for the President of the European Council and the European Council;
- Better and more consistent support to the Council and its Presidencies;
- Improved internal and external communication and information;
- Investment in people and management, and
- Harnessing technology to improve the way the GSC works.

The main achievements of the 'Action Plan' in 2017 are:

- Full Wi-Fi coverage in the GSC's buildings;
- Further digitalisation of services to different Council formations and Presidencies (among others, a new digital tool for managing Delegated Acts);
- GSC's external communication strategy;
- Administrative modernisation (including Equal Opportunities Strategy 2017-2020 and 'moving resources to tasks' new approach).

3.1.4. Achievement of objectives in 2017

Achievement of the objectives established for the budget year 2017 may be summarised as follows:

— *Establishment plan*

In 2017, the GSC recruited 111 officials (84 permanent officials and 27 temporary agents). During the year 151 officials (124 permanent officials and 27 temporary agents) left, resulting in a net decrease of 40 occupied posts in the EC/C Establishment Plan.

The establishment plan was reduced by 15 as part of the reduction of the staffing level by 5 % over a period of five years. 2017 was the last year of the exercise.

— *Financial management*

In 2017, the GSC continued to further improve its financial management and performance. Several improvements of the corporate financial governance were implemented, e.g.:

- harmonisation during autumn 2017 of the GSC budget planning at a central level which integrates since then the Multiannual Activity and Budget Planning (MABP), Expenditure Plans and Draft Budget in the same framework based on activities (projects, programmes and recurring activities);

- elaboration of a proposal to adopt a corporate framework for project management (CFPM) which aims at setting common principles in order to facilitate cross-departmental projects and task forces;
- further improvements of the procurement process (implementation of a paperless workflow for the approval of award decisions directly in SAP);
- review of the 'Practical Guide and Internal Rules of the Project Evaluation Committee (CEP)' and CEP templates following the adoption by the Secretary-General of the decision simplifying the CEP framework in January 2017;
- reactivation of networks for financial agents and improvement of the training offer by development of specialised courses.

In the context of improving the cash flow position of European businesses, the average payment delay of invoices in the GSC was 22 days in 2017, the maximum time limit being 30 calendar days (Directive 2011/7/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽²⁾).

— *Building Policy*

After the provisional reception of the Europa building on the 30 June 2016, the removal of delegations and of the part of the GSC services took place in January 2017. On 14 July 2017 the Belgian State and the General Secretariat of the Council came to an agreement on the final price for the project. The final agreement is expected to be signed in 2018.

3.2. Revenue

Table 5 gives an overview on the global outcome of revenue operations in 2017. The expression 'Established rights 2016' refers to the recovery orders which were made in 2016 but for which the recovery of the amounts took place only in 2017. The expression 'Established rights 2017' in turn corresponds to recoveries launched in 2017.

Table 5

Overview of revenue operations in 2017 budget

Chapter	Established rights 2016	Recovered revenues from 2016	Established rights 2017	Recovered revenues from 2017	Total established rights 2016+2017	Total recovered 2016+2017	To be recovered in 2018
	1	2	3	4	5=1+3	6=2+4	7=5-6
4 0 Deductions from staff remuneration	0	0	29 422 088	29 422 088	29 422 088	29 422 088	0
4 1 Contributions to the pension scheme	328 171	106 285	25 227 881	25 226 332	25 556 053	25 332 617	223 436
5 0 Proceeds from the sale of movable and immovable property	27 301	1 560	9 031	7 860	36 332	9 420	26 913
5 1 Proceeds from letting and hiring	49 238	49 238	413 381	379 084	462 619	428 322	34 297
5 2 Revenue from investments or loans granted, bank and other interest	0	0	3 308	3 308	3 308	3 308	0
5 5 Revenue from the proceeds of services supplied and work carried out	37 329	37 329	903 420	798 966	940 750	836 295	104 455
5 5 Revenue from the proceeds of services supplied and work (EEAS)	100 000	100 000	130 908	30 908	230 908	130 908	100 000
5 7 Other contributions and refunds in connection with administ. operation	930 459	754 811	21 561 141	20 194 792	22 491 599	20 949 603	1 541 997
5 8 Miscellaneous compensation	10 604	10 604	13 590	13 590	24 194	24 194	0
5 8 Miscellaneous compensation (EEAS)	0	0			0	0	0

⁽²⁾ Directive 2011/7/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 2011 on combating late payment in commercial transactions (OJ L 48, 23.2.2011, p. 1).

(EUR)

Chapter	Established rights 2016	Recovered revenues from 2016	Established rights 2017	Recovered revenues from 2017	Total established rights 2016+2017	Total recovered 2016+2017	To be recovered in 2018
	1	2	3	4	5=1+3	6=2+4	7=5-6
5 9 Other revenue arising from administrative management	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 3 Contributions under specific agreements	0	0	1 193 818	1 183 883	1 193 818	1 183 883	9 935
7 0 Interest on late payments	0	0	73	73	73	73	0
9 0 Miscellaneous revenue	0	0	13	13	13	13	0
Total	1 483 103	1 059 827	78 878 653	77 260 897	80 361 756	78 320 724	2 041 033

The total volume of revenue operations in terms of established rights, i.e. issued recovery orders, was EUR 80,4 million in 2017. From this amount EUR 78,3 million was recovered during the financial year whereas EUR 2,0 million will be collected in 2018.

The majority of the total recovered revenues (70 % or EUR 54,8 million out of EUR 78,3 million) in 2017 relates to community taxes, levies and dues collected from the GSC's personnel. From this amount EUR 29,4 million covers deductions from staff remuneration whereas EUR 25,3 million corresponds to contributions and transfers of pension rights to the pension scheme.

The remainder, or 30 % (EUR 23,6 million), is accrued from various administrative operations. This amount comes mainly from the following sources:

- Recovery of parts of the amounts paid to Member States in previous years for delegates' travel expenses following their declarations for 2016 and 2017 (EUR 0,3 million and EUR 11,2 million respectively, Chapter 5 7).
- Recovery of payments by Member States for supplementary on-request interpretation into certain languages (EUR 7 million, Chapter 5 7).
- Contributions to the administrative costs arising within the framework of the 'Schengen acquis' with Iceland and Norway (EUR 1,2 million, Chapter 6 3).
- Contributions by other institutions and payments by Council officials for the Council crèche (EUR 0,9 million, Chapter 5 7).
- Payments by the Court of Justice, the Court of Auditors and the European University Institute in Florence as their contributions to the common financial system with the Council (EUR 0,5 million, Chapter 5 7).
- Transfers from the EEAS to the Council as advanced reimbursement of the costs related to the organisation of the Brussels Conference on Syria (EUR 0,4 million, Chapter 5 5).
- Proceeds from recovery of legal costs in cases won by the Council and damages paid to the Council (EUR 0,3 million, Chapter 5 7).
- Transfers from the EEAS to the Council as advance payments for the services rendered by the GSC to the EEAS (EUR 0,3 million, Chapter 5 5).
- Proceeds from renting out premises and reimbursements related to them, inter alia, the Commission's part of rent of the EU Info Point in Brussels (EUR 0,3 million, Chapter 5 1).

3.3. Expenditure in 2017

3.3.1. Modification of the budget in 2017

During the financial year 2017, the appropriations were reallocated by different transfers. Table 6 shows the decisions which modified the budget appropriations in 2010-2017.

Table 6

Number of budget modifications by type in 2010-2017

Modification									
Type	Legal basis	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Amending budget	FR Article 41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfer B	FR Article 25	47	23	23	22	32	27	31	45
Transfer C	FR Article 25	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Transfer D	FR Article 27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		49	25	25	24	34	29	33	46

One C-transfer, which involved informing the budget authority (in accordance with Article 25 of the Financial Regulation), was made in 2017:

— C1-transfer of EUR 5 400 000 on 21/11/2017 in order to:

— Finance the outstanding amount of the purchase of the Europa Building and four adjacent plots of land (EUR 5 400 000)

45 B-transfers based on Article 25(4) of the FR modified internally the EC/C budget in 2017.

Table 7 gives an overview of the budget lines which were significantly ⁽³⁾ modified in 2017 by different transfers.

Table 7

Budget lines which were subject to significant transfers in 2017

(EUR)					
Item	Heading	Initial Budget 2017	Transfers	Final appropriations	Difference
1 1 0 0	Basic salaries	236 814 000	- 1 330 000	235 484 000	-1 %
1 1 0 2	Entitlements under the Staff Regulations	59 571 000	930 000	60 501 000	2 %
1 1 0 3	Social security cover	9 452 000	400 000	9 852 000	4 %
1 2 0 3	Outside services	2 498 000	- 495 800	2 002 200	-20 %
1 2 0 4	Supplementary services for the translation service	200 000	492 800	692 800	246 %

⁽³⁾ Net amount > EUR 250 000.

(EUR)

Item	Heading	Initial Budget 2017	Transfers	Final appropriations	Difference
2 0 0 2	Acquisition of immovable property		8 884 000	8 884 000	
2 0 0 3	Fitting-out of premises	10 618 000	- 1 836 000	8 782 000	-17 %
2 0 0 4	Work to make premises secure	2 830 000	- 1 625 000	1 205 000	-57 %
2 0 1 0	Cleaning and maintenance	19 057 000	- 1 129 000	17 928 000	-6 %
2 0 1 1	Water, gas, electricity and heating	4 974 000	- 1 899 000	3 075 000	-38 %
2 0 1 2	Buildings security and surveillance	16 815 000	1 382 000	18 197 000	8 %
2 1 0 0	Acquisition of equipment and software	12 262 000	- 1 231 244	11 030 756	-10 %
2 1 0 1	Outside assistance for computer systems	21 850 000	2 117 599	23 967 599	10 %
2 1 0 2	Servicing and maintenance of equipment and software	7 156 000	- 1 494 803	5 661 197	-21 %
2 1 0 3	Telecommunications	1 532 000	- 291 552	1 240 448	-19 %
2 1 2 0	Purchase and replacement of technical equipment	2 635 000	- 263 415	2 371 585	-10 %
2 1 2 1	Outside assistance for technical equipment	78 000	341 989	419 989	438 %
2 2 0 0	Travel expenses of delegations	17 802 000	7 215 502	25 017 502	41 %
2 2 0 2	Interpreting costs	79 816 000	- 10 115 502	69 700 498	-13 %
2 2 1 0	Documentation and library expenditure	2 000 000	296 000	2 296 000	15 %
2 2 1 1	Official Journal	3 500 000	- 1 046 000	2 454 000	-30 %
2 2 1 3	Information and public events	2 535 000	850 000	3 385 000	34 %

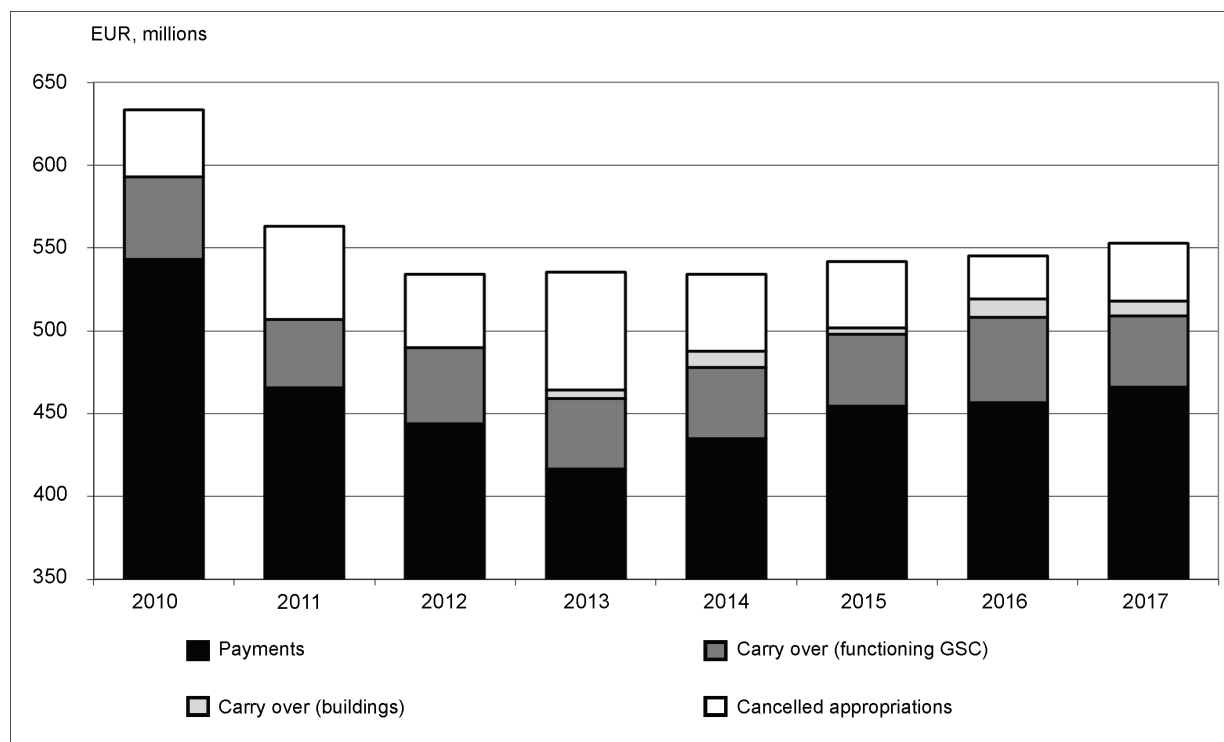
3.3.2. Overview of implementation of the budget in 2010-2017

The overall implementation rate of the EC/C budget has been on average 91,9 % over the past eight years (Graph 1). The implementation rate refers to the commitments made during the budget year out of the available voted budget.

The actual annual payments rate between 2010 and 2017 have been on average 82,7 % of the budget. The difference between the overall implementation and payments of a given year (i.e. non-paid commitments) has been carried over, in conformity with Article 13(4) of the Financial Regulation, to the next budget year for payments.

Graph 1

Global budget implementation in 2010-2017



The carried over appropriations break down into two major categories: functioning of the GSC and buildings. The first is related to obligations duly contracted before the end of the budget year but where the goods have not yet been delivered and/or for which no invoices have been received before the end of the year.

The second category refers to the GSC's acquisition of buildings such as LEX, the crèche and the Europa Building. In the last few years, the GSC has been able to use the savings made during the budget implementation to finance these acquisitions.

In 2017, EUR 8,8 million was reserved for the acquisition of the Europa building. The amount has been carried over to 2018 for the actual commitment.

3.3.3. Implementation of the appropriations by category in 2017

The analysis of expenditure in 2017 is presented at the level of 14 expenditure categories.

Table 8 compares the final budget after transfers (column 2) with the outturn of the budget in terms of commitments (column 3). The difference between the final budget and the committed appropriations corresponds to the amounts not used in 2017 and therefore cancelled.

Table 8

Overview of the implementation of the 2017 budget (by category)

Category	(EUR)				
	Budget 2017 (initial)	Budget 2017 (final ⁽¹⁾)	Commitments ⁽²⁾	Outturn rate	Cancelled appropriations
	1	2	3	4=3/2	5=2-3
Establishment plan	315 446 000	315 446 000	303 484 264	96,2 %	11 961 736
Other staff expenditure	24 878 000	24 878 000	22 529 419	90,6 %	2 348 581
Buildings (excluding acquisitions)	57 789 000	52 705 000	51 414 847	97,6 %	1 290 153

Category	Budget 2017 (initial)	Budget 2017 (final ⁽¹⁾)	Commitments ⁽²⁾	Outturn rate	Cancelled appropriations
	1	2	3	4=3/2	5=2-3
Computer systems	42 800 000	41 900 000	41 466 017	99,0 %	433 983
Furniture	942 000	942 000	741 630	78,7 %	200 370
Technical equipment ⁽²⁾	3 659 000	3 659 000	3 532 203	96,5 %	126 797
Transport	1 048 000	1 048 000	1 021 465	97,5 %	26 535
Delegations' travel expenses	17 802 000	25 017 502	13 472 729	53,9 %	11 544 773
Interpreting costs	79 816 000	69 700 498	66 521 325	95,4 %	3 179 173
Meetings and conferences	4 984 000	4 984 000	4 523 108	90,8 %	460 892
Information	8 285 000	8 285 000	7 847 588	94,7 %	437 412
Miscellaneous	2 127 000	2 127 000	1 111 878	52,3 %	1 015 122
Reserve	2 000 000	2 000 000	0	0,0 %	2 000 000
Total (excl. acquisition)	561 576 000	552 692 000	517 666 473	93,7 %	35 025 527
Acquisition of immovable property	—	8 884 000	8 883 738	100,0 %	262
Grand total	561 576 000	561 576 000	526 550 211	93,8 %	35 025 789

⁽¹⁾ Includes internal reallocation of appropriations

⁽²⁾ Includes carry over by decision of EUR 8 787 738

The global implementation rate of the 2017 budget is 93,8 % (+ 1,9 % on top of the average of the last eight years). The difference between the final budget and implementation can be explained as follows:

- The total under-spending in the category of the establishment plan amounts to EUR 11,9 million. This under-spending relates mainly to lower needs for basic salaries (EUR 5,9 million) and to the fact that it was not necessary to activate the provisional appropriations (EUR 2,8 million). Part of the salary underspending is related to the net decrease of 40 occupied posts in the EC/C Establishment Plan. Other elements explaining the underspending are lower need for different statutory entitlements (EUR 2,2 million) and for social security (EUR 0,5 million) plus a lower expenditure relating to overtime (EUR 0,5 million).
- In the category of other staff expenditure, 57 % of the under-spending (EUR 1,3 million out of EUR 2,3 million) relates to fewer payments for contractual agents, seconded national experts and other outside services. Less spending in mission related costs corresponds to a saving of EUR 0,4 million. In the area of the President of the European Council, a saving of EUR 0,4 million comes from under-spending of the travel budget and allowances. The remainder of EUR 0,2 million is mostly related to minor savings in the areas of medical and social services.
- The global implementation of the building-related expenditure resulted in a saving of EUR 1,3 million. From this amount EUR 0,9 million is due to lower costs in building security and surveillance, maintenance and cleaning, consumption of water, gas and electricity. The remaining EUR 0,4 million comes from savings in certain fitting-out, installation and security works.
- In the IT domain the budget implementation was almost 100 %. The under-spending of EUR 0,4 million is mainly due to lower implementation in the acquisition of equipment and software.
- The underspending of EUR 0,2 million in furniture relates mainly to the re-scheduling of the purchases of furniture for certain meeting rooms in the Justus Lipsius building for which renovation works had been planned for 2017, but finally postponed.

- EUR 0,1 million saving in technical equipment is mainly due to a lower need for security installations.
- As for the transportation, the budget implementation was almost 100 %.
- The implementation of the delegations' travel expenses resulted in a saving of EUR 11,5 million. The amount available for delegations' travel expenses after transfers amounted to EUR 25,0 million. The initial budget was EUR 17,8 million to which EUR 8,9 million was transferred from the savings in some interpretation envelopes. On the other hand, during the year EUR 1,7 million was transferred to finance supplementary interpretation in certain languages. Since the Member States had to reimburse unused amounts from previous years, only EUR 13,5 million was committed for subsequent payments in the 2017 budget.
- The underspending in appropriations for interpretation amounts to EUR 3,2 million. It should be noted that this underspending is the final result after the transfer of EUR 8,9 million from interpretation envelopes to delegations' travel envelopes ⁽⁴⁾ and of EUR 2,9 million for the final payment for the Europa Building. The final result includes also a transfer back of EUR 1,7 million from some travel envelopes to cover the supplementary interpretation in certain languages.
- EUR 0,2 million out of the total underspending of EUR 0,5 million in organising meetings and conferences reflects a volume of catering services that was lower in 2017 than foreseen in the budget. Lower needs for specific travel expenses have allowed for an additional saving of EUR 0,2 million. Finally, smaller needs for renting of external conference and meeting rooms as well as smaller accreditations costs allowed savings of EUR 0,1 million.
- The implementation rate of the appropriations in the category 'Information' was 94,7 % which results in a saving of EUR 0,4 million. This amount corresponds mainly to the lower legislative and other legal acts published in the Official Journal in 2017.
- In the category miscellaneous, the underspending of EUR 1,0 million is explained mainly by lower expenditure in the area of legal expenses (EUR 0,9 million) due to the lower than anticipated number of antidumping cases notified to the Council; the remaining EUR 0,1 million is a combination of smaller needs for uniforms and for office supplies, paper, studies and postal charges.

3.4. Appropriations carried over

3.4.1. Appropriations carried over automatically from 2016 to 2017

As presented in Table 9, an amount of EUR 62,3 million was carried over from 2016 to 2017.

Table 9

Implementation of appropriations carried over from 2016 to 2017 (by category)

(EUR)

Category	Appropriations carried over from 2016	Payments 2017	Outturn rate	Cancelled appropriations
	1	2	3=2/1	4=1-2
Establishment plan	425 000	244 208	57,5 %	180 792
Other staff expenditure	1 769 152	1 539 049	87,0 %	230 102
Buildings	12 907 800	10 238 750	79,3 %	2 669 050
Computer systems	20 127 797	19 234 814	95,6 %	892 983
Furniture	577 836	561 243	97,1 %	16 593

⁽⁴⁾ In conformity with Decision 111/07/EC, the GSC transfers 66 % of the unused amounts of interpretation language envelopes to the delegations' travel envelopes to be used during the same budget year. In 2017, this corresponded to an amount of EUR 8,9 million.

(EUR)

Category	Appropriations carried over from 2016	Payments 2017	Outturn rate	Cancelled appropriations
	1	2	3=2/1	4=1-2
Technical equipment	2 302 474	2 152 707	93,5 %	149 767
Transport	295 754	226 689	76,6 %	69 065
Delegations' travel expenses	—	—		—
Interpreting costs	10 024 525	9 160 725	91,4 %	863 800
Meetings and conferences	536 958	424 241	79,0 %	112 717
Information	1 995 546	1 870 237	93,7 %	125 309
Miscellaneous	11 362 114	11 304 705	99,5 %	57 409
Reserve	—	—		—
Total	62 324 956	56 957 368	91,4 %	5 367 588

The implementation rate of the appropriations carried over from 2016 was 91,4 %. The main reasons for this implementation rate are:

— Partial or complete lack of delivery of works/goods/services ordered by the GSC during the previous year.

— Invoices not received for works/goods/services delivered. It should be noted that this inevitably constitutes a budgetary burden for the next budget year as for these transactions new commitments will have to be introduced in 2018.

3.4.2. Appropriations carried over from 2017 to 2018

The appropriations carried over from 2017 to 2018 totalled EUR 60,6 million.

Table 10
Appropriations carried over from 2017 to 2018 (by category)

(EUR)

Category	Budget 2017 (initial)	Budget 2017 (final ⁽¹⁾)	Commitments ⁽²⁾	Payments 2017	Appropriations carried over to 2018 ⁽²⁾	Carry over rate
	1	2	3	4	4	5=4/3
Establishment plan	315 446 000	315 446 000	303 484 264	303 118 118	366 146	0,1 %
Other staff expenditure	24 878 000	24 878 000	22 529 419	19 589 939	2 939 481	13,0 %
Buildings	57 789 000	52 705 000	51 414 847	35 984 828	15 430 019	30,0 %
Computer systems	42 800 000	41 900 000	41 466 017	21 463 684	20 002 333	48,2 %
Furniture	942 000	942 000	741 630	418 041	323 588	43,6 %
Technical equipment	3 659 000	3 659 000	3 532 203	2 042 449	1 489 754	42,2 %
Transport	1 048 000	1 048 000	1 021 465	580 592	440 873	43,2 %

(EUR)

Category	Budget 2017 (initial)	Budget 2017 (final ⁽¹⁾)	Commitments ⁽²⁾	Payments 2017	Appropriations carried over to 2018 ⁽²⁾	Carry over rate
	1	2	3	4	4	5=4/3
Delegations' travel expenses	17 802 000	25 017 502	13 472 729	13 472 729	0	0,0 %
Interpreting costs	79 816 000	69 700 498	66 521 325	59 610 462	6 910 863	10,4 %
Meetings and conferences	4 984 000	4 984 000	4 523 108	3 645 570	877 538	19,4 %
Information	8 285 000	8 285 000	7 847 588	5 466 992	2 380 596	30,3 %
Miscellaneous	2 127 000	2 127 000	1 111 878	580 634	531 245	47,8 %
Reserve	2 000 000	2 000 000	—	—	—	—
Total (excl. acquisition)	561 576 000	552 692 000	517 666 473	465 974 036	51 692 437	10,0 %
Acquisition of immovable property	—	8 884 000	8 883 738		8 883 738	100,0 %
Grand total	561 576 000	561 576 000	526 550 211	465 974 036	60 576 175	11,5 %

⁽¹⁾ Includes internal reallocation of appropriations

⁽²⁾ Includes carry over by decision of EUR 8 787 738

The carried over amounts from 2017 to 2018 mainly come from the following categories:

- Computer systems by EUR 20,0 million, of which EUR 13,1 million relates to outside assistance, EUR 5,4 million to equipment and software, EUR 0,7 million to telecommunications and EUR 0,8 million to IT service and maintenance.
- Buildings by EUR 15,4 million where different fitting-out works cover EUR 6,1 million, cleaning and maintenance EUR 4,4 million, security and prevention EUR 2,5 million, electricity, water, gas and heating together another EUR 1,0 million, works to make the premises secure EUR 0,9 million and EUR 0,5 million of other expenditure related to buildings e.g. building studies and audits.
- Acquisition of immovable property by EUR 8,9 million to cover the final payment for the Europa Building (out of which EUR 8,8 million carried over by decision).
- EUR 6,9 million to cover the cost of interpretation provided in November-December 2017, but for which the final invoice arrives in 2018.
- Other staff expenditure by EUR 2,9 million especially in relation to outside assistance (EUR 1 million), training (EUR 1 million), medical service and crèches (EUR 0,5 million), missions (EUR 0,3 million) and support measures to assist staff (EUR 0,1 million).
- EUR 2,4 million related to information expenditure of which EUR 1,6 million concerns information and public events as well as Council publications and EUR 0,8 million documentation and library expenditure.
- Technical equipment by EUR 1,5 million out of which EUR 0,6 million concerns purchase and maintenance of conference equipment, EUR 0,6 million purchase and maintenance of audiovisual equipment for the Press Service, EUR 0,1 purchase and maintenance of equipment for restaurants and canteens, EUR 0,1 million to security equipment and EUR 0,1 million to other equipment.
- Meetings and conferences by EUR 0,8 million mostly relating to invoices not yet received for organising European Council and Council meetings in 2017.
- Furniture by EUR 0,3 million corresponding to certain offices and additional purchase orders of furniture issued in order to cover the Council's needs before the signature of the new framework contract.

3.4.3. Appropriations carried over by decision from 2016 to 2017

As presented in Table 11, an amount of EUR 0,3 million was carried over by decision from 2016 to 2017, accordingly to the provisions of Article 13(2) of the Financial Regulations (FR) and Article 4 of the Rules of Application (RAP).

Table 11

Appropriations carried over by decision from 2016 to 2017 (by category)

(EUR)

Category	Appropriations carried over by decision from 2016	Commitments 2017	Outturn rate	Cancelled appropriations	Payments 2017	Carried over for payment to 2018
	1	2	3=2/1	4=1-2	5	6=2-4
Technical equipment	350 000	330 991	94,6 %	19 009	0	330 991
Total EC/C	350 000	330 991	94,6 %	19 009	0	330 991

The amount is related to the replacement of equipment in the Europa Building (technical equipment) which was damaged by water in October 2016. Due to the uncertainty of the damage compensation and taking into account that the exact amount needed for the replacement of equipment was to be known only in February 2017, it was not possible to sign the purchase orders in 2016.

The implementation rate of the appropriations carried over by decision was 94,6 %. The amount committed was fully carried over to 2018 for payment.

3.4.4. Appropriations carried over by decision from 2015 to 2016 carried over for payment to 2017

Appropriations carried over by decision from 2015 to 2016 which were duly committed in 2016 but not paid had been carried over to 2017 for payment. As presented in Table 12, an amount of EUR 0,2 million was carried over for payment.

Table 12

Appropriations carried over by decision from 2015 to 2016 carried over for payment to 2017 (by category)

(EUR)

Category	Carried over for payment from 2016	Payments 2017	Outturn rate	Cancelled appropriations
	1	2	3=2/1	4=1-2
Furniture	155 490	142 835	91,9 %	12 655
Technical equipment	57 045	44 030	77,2 %	13 015
Total EC/C	212 535	186 865	87,9 %	25 670

The implementation rate of the appropriations carried over from 2016 was 87,9 %. The main reasons for the amount of cancelled appropriations is that certain goods ordered by the GSC during the previous year were not delivered and certain services were finally less expensive (delivery of furniture and technical equipment).

3.5. Assigned revenue

3.5.1. Assigned revenue accrued before 2017

The total amount of assigned revenue accrued before 2017 was EUR 23,3 million.

Table 13

Implementation of assigned revenue accrued before 2017 (by category)

(EUR)

Category	Assigned revenues before 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Outturn rate	Cancelled assigned revenues
	1	2	3	4=2/1	4=1-2
Establishment plan	1 342 422	1 342 422	1 342 422	100,0 %	—
Other staff expenditure	1 261 407	1 229 382	1 219 019	97,5 %	32 025
Buildings	1 390 878	1 386 624	1 237 545	99,7 %	4 255
Computer systems	1 638 750	1 634 428	1 634 425	99,7 %	4 322
Furniture	—	—	—		—
Technical equipment	303 193	289 261	259 705	95,4 %	13 932
Transport	17 754	17 685	15 906	99,6 %	68
Delegations' travel expenses	11 544 777	11 544 777	11 544 777	100,0 %	—
Interpreting costs	4 938 885	4 938 885	4 938 885	100,0 %	—
Meetings and conferences	324 833	324 644	319 114	99,9 %	189
Information	119 830	100 648	100 648	84,0 %	19 182
Miscellaneous	447 501	447 437	408 664	100,0 %	64
Total EC/C	23 330 231	23 256 193	23 021 111	99,7 %	74 038
SLAs with EEAS	117 804	106 465	88 939	90,4 %	11 339
Grand total	23 448 035	23 362 658	23 110 050	99,6 %	85 377

Assigned revenue related to the GSC's activities totalled EUR 23,4 million, from which EUR 23,3 million was duly committed in 2017. The remainder EUR 0,1 million was cancelled in conformity with Article 14 of the FR.

Another part, EUR 0,1 million, of the assigned revenue accrued before 2017 relates to amounts transferred by the EEAS in 2016 to the Council to cover the expenses of the services defined in different Service Level Agreements (SLAs) between the two institutions and rendered by the GSC. Out of the committed amount of EUR 0,1 million, EUR 0,09 million was paid in 2017.

3.5.2. Assigned revenue accrued before 2017 carried over to 2018 for payment

The assigned revenue accrued before 2017, duly committed but not paid in 2017 was carried over from 2017 to 2018 and totalled EUR 0,3 million.

Table 14

Assigned revenue accrued before 2017 carried over to 2018 (by category)

(EUR)

Category	Assigned revenues before 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Assigned revenues carried over to 2018	Carry overrate
	1	2	3	4=2-3	5=4/2
Establishment plan	1 342 422	1 342 422	1 342 422	—	0,0 %
Other staff expenditure	1 261 407	1 229 382	1 219 019	10 362	0,8 %
Buildings	1 390 878	1 386 624	1 237 545	149 078	10,8 %

(EUR)

Category	Assigned revenues before 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Assigned revenues carried over to 2018	Carry overrate
	1	2	3	4=2-3	5=4/2
Computer systems	1 638 750	1 634 428	1 634 425	3	0,0 %
Furniture	—	—	—	—	—
Technical equipment	303 193	289 261	259 705	29 555	10,2 %
Transport	17 754	17 685	15 906	1 779	10,1 %
Delegations' travel expenses	11 544 777	11 544 777	11 544 777	—	0,0 %
Interpreting costs	4 938 885	4 938 885	4 938 885	—	0,0 %
Meetings and conferences	324 833	324 644	319 114	5 530	1,7 %
Information	119 830	100 648	100 648	—	0,0 %
Miscellaneous	447 501	447 437	408 664	38 773	8,7 %
Total EC/C	23 330 231	23 256 193	23 021 111	235 082	1,0 %
SLAs with EEAS	117 804	106 465	88 939	17 526	16,5 %
Grand total	23 448 035	23 362 658	23 110 050	252 608	1,1 %

The amounts carried over mainly comes from the following categories:

- Buildings by EUR 0,2 million, of which EUR 0,1 million relates to fitting out works and security for summits in the 4th trimester of 2017 and EUR 0,1 million to provision of gas to the GSC buildings.
- Miscellaneous by EUR 0,04 million corresponding mainly to the legal expenses and costs.

3.5.3. Assigned revenue accrued in 2017

The total assigned revenue accrued in 2017 totalled to EUR 23,5 million. From this, EUR 290 508 corresponds to amounts transferred by the EEAS to the Council.

Table 15
Implementation of assigned revenue accrued in 2017 (by category)

(EUR)

Category	Assigned revenues 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Available assigned revenue
	1	2	3	4=1-3
Establishment plan	1 424 860	76 021	—	1 424 860
Other staff expenditure	1 246 597	100 461	59 259	1 187 338
Buildings	793 382	4 602	—	793 382
Computer systems	516 815	58 488	43 483	473 332
Furniture	—	—	—	0
Technical equipment	35 344	6 244	450	34 894
Transport	2 747	—	—	2 747

(EUR)

Category	Assigned revenues 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments2017	Available assigned revenue
	1	2	3	4=1-3
Delegations' travel expenses	11 555 185	—	—	11 555 185
Interpreting costs	7 042 505	—	—	7 042 505
Meetings and conferences	195 819	134 578	90 658	105 161
Information	167 023	105 000	63 234	103 789
Miscellaneous	273 300	—	—	273 300
Total EC/C	23 253 577	485 394	257 084	22 996 493
SLAs with EEAS	290 508	187 711	123 450	167 058
Grand total	23 544 085	673 106	380 534	23 163 551

The assigned revenue 2017 relating to the activities of the GSC amounted to EUR 23,3 million. During the financial year EUR 0,5 million was committed while EUR 23,0 million was carried over to 2018 in accordance with Article 14 of the FR.

Around 50 % of assigned revenue is related to the delegations' travel expenses (EUR 11,6 million). The amount of EUR 7,0 million in interpretation comes from the top-up payments on certain languages to cover the supplementary interpretation in those languages. The remainder is mainly related to reimbursement of amounts connected with various administrative operations of the Council.

ANNEX

COUNCIL

USE OF THE APPROPRIATIONS OF THE YEAR 2017

		(EUR)						
Budget line	Initial Appropriations 2017	Transfers/ Amendments 2017	Final Appropriations 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Carry Over by Right to 2018	Carry Over by Decision to 2018	Cancelled Appropriations
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 = 3 - 5 - 6 - 7
1 0 0 0 Basic salary	335 000,00		335 000,00	326 809,98	326 809,98			8 190,02
1 0 0 1 Entitlements related to the post held	68 000,00		68 000,00	67 012,56	67 012,56			987,44
1 0 0 2 Entitlements related to the personal circumstances of the staff member	10 000,00		10 000,00	8 734,44	8 734,44			1 265,56
1 0 0 3 Social security cover	14 000,00		14 000,00	12 363,18	12 363,18			1 636,82
1 0 0 4 Other managements expenditure	675 000,00		675 000,00	385 028,32	311 126,98	73 901,34		289 971,68
1 0 0 Remuneration and other entitlements	1 102 000,00		1 102 000,00	799 948,48	726 047,14	73 901,34		302 051,52
1 0 1 0 Pensions	170 000,00		170 000,00	72 230,76	72 230,76			97 769,24
1 0 1 Termination of service	170 000,00		170 000,00	72 230,76	72 230,76			97 769,24
1 0 2 0 Provisional appropriations for changes in the entitlements	50 000,00		50 000,00					50 000,00
1 0 2 Provisional appropriation	50 000,00		50 000,00					50 000,00
Total Chapter 1 0 — Members of the Institution	1 322 000,00		1 322 000,00	872 179,24	798 277,90	73 901,34		449 820,76
1 1 0 0 Basic salaries	236 814 000,00	- 1 330 000,00	235 484 000,00	229 502 819,11	229 502 819,11			5 981 180,89
1 1 0 1 Entitlements under the Staff Regulations related to the post held	1 850 000,00		1 850 000,00	1 403 504,67	1 403 504,67			446 495,33

(EUR)								
Budget line	Initial Appropriations 2017	Transfers/ Amendments 2017	Final Appropriations 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Carry Over by Right to 2018	Carry Over by Decision to 2018	Cancelled Appropriations
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 = 3 - 5 - 6 - 7
1 1 0 2 Entitlements under the Staff Regulations related to the personal circumstances of the staff member	59 571 000,00	930 000,00	60 501 000,00	59 751 216,98	59 751 216,98			749 783,02
1 1 0 3 Social security cover	9 452 000,00	400 000,00	9 852 000,00	9 309 813,94	9 309 813,94			542 186,06
1 1 0 4 Salary weightings	50 000,00	100 000,00	150 000,00	124 188,43	124 188,43			25 811,57
1 1 0 5 Overtime	1 500 000,00	- 100 000,00	1 400 000,00	937 106,33	937 106,33			462 893,67
1 1 0 6 Entitlements under the Staff Regulations related to entering the service, transfer and leaving the service	2 600 000,00		2 600 000,00	1 628 873,14	1 262 726,76	366 146,38		971 126,86
1 1 0 Remuneration and other entitlements	311 837 000,00		311 837 000,00	302 657 522,60	302 291 376,22	366 146,38		9 179 477,40
1 1 1 0 Allowances in the event of retirement in the interest of the service	171 000,00		171 000,00	171 000,00	171 000,00			
1 1 1 2 Entitlements former Secretaries-General	665 000,00		665 000,00	655 741,28	655 741,28			9 258,72
1 1 1 Termination of service	836 000,00		836 000,00	826 741,28	826 741,28			9 258,72
1 1 2 0 Provisional appropriation (officials and temporary staff)	2 767 000,00		2 767 000,00					2 767 000,00
1 1 2 1 Provisional appropriation (retired staff and staff retired under special arrangements)	6 000,00		6 000,00					6 000,00
1 1 2 Provisional appropriation	2 773 000,00		2 773 000,00					2 773 000,00
Total Chapter 1 1 — Officials and temporary staff	315 446 000,00		315 446 000,00	303 484 263,88	303 118 117,50	366 146,38		11 961 736,12
1 2 0 0 Other staff	9 706 000,00		9 706 000,00	9 384 604,80	9 377 349,72	7 255,08		321 395,20
1 2 0 1 National experts on secondment	973 000,00		973 000,00	836 051,12	832 934,66	3 116,46		136 948,88

(EUR)		Initial Appropriations 2017	Transfers/ Amendments 2017	Final Appropriations 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Carry Over by Right to 2018	Carry Over by Decision to 2018	Cancelled Appropriations
Budget line		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 = 3 - 5 - 6 - 7
1 2 0 2	Traineeships	670 000,00	3 000,00	673 000,00	653 643,50	622 710,37	30 933,13		19 356,50
1 2 0 3	Outside services	2 498 000,00	-495 800,00	2 002 200,00	1 760 283,75	838 103,06	922 180,69		241 916,25
1 2 0 4	Supplementary services for the translation service	200 000,00	492 800,00	692 800,00	263 520,05	233 740,85	29 779,20		429 279,95
1 2 0	Other staff and outside services	14 047 000,00		14 047 000,00	12 898 103,22	11 904 838,66	993 264,56		1 148 896,78
1 2 2 0	Provisional appropriation	102 000,00		102 000,00					102 000,00
1 2 2	Provisional appropriation	102 000,00		102 000,00					102 000,00
Total Chapter 1 2 — Other staff and outside services		14 149 000,00		14 149 000,00	12 898 103,22	11 904 838,66	993 264,56		1 250 896,78
1 3 0 0	Miscellaneous expenditure on recruitments	181 000,00	-110 000,00	71 000,00	70 100,00	20 129,43	49 970,57		900,00
1 3 0 1	Further training	1 992 000,00	110 000,00	2 102 000,00	2 096 320,00	1 145 304,76	951 015,24		5 680,00
1 3 0	Expenditure relating to staff management	2 173 000,00		2 173 000,00	2 166 420,00	1 165 434,19	1 000 985,81		6 580,00
1 3 1 0	Special assistance grants	30 000,00		30 000,00					30 000,00
1 3 1 1	Social contacts between members of staff	117 000,00	-7 200,00	109 800,00	108 579,09	49 521,66	59 057,43		1 220,91
1 3 1 2	Supplementary aid for the disables	210 000,00		210 000,00	120 670,89	90 163,84	30 507,05		89 329,11
1 3 1 3	Other welfare expenditure	66 000,00	7 200,00	73 200,00	72 250,75	72 216,21	34,54		949,25
1 3 1	Measures to assist institution's staff	423 000,00		423 000,00	301 500,73	211 901,71	89 599,02		121 499,27
1 3 2 0	Medical service	498 000,00		498 000,00	387 373,37	182 174,82	205 198,55		110 626,63

(EUR)		Budget line	Initial Appropriations 2017	Transfers/ Amendments 2017	Final Appropriations 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Carry Over by Right to 2018	Carry Over by Decision to 2018	Cancelled Appropriations
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 = 3 - 5 - 6 - 7
1 3 2 2	Crèches and other childcare facilities		2 683 000,00		2 683 000,00	2 636 848,00	2 321 868,74	314 979,26		46 152,00
1 3 2	Activities relating to all persons working with the institution		3 181 000,00		3 181 000,00	3 024 221,37	2 504 043,56	520 177,81		156 778,63
1 3 3 1	Mission expenses of the Council secretariat		2 980 000,00		2 980 000,00	2 638 631,66	2 405 716,85	232 914,81		341 368,34
1 3 3 2	Travel expenses of staff related to the European Council		650 000,00		650 000,00	628 362,95	599 725,72	28 637,23		21 637,05
1 3 3	Missions		3 630 000,00		3 630 000,00	3 266 994,61	3 005 442,57	261 552,04		363 005,39
Total Chapter 1 3 — Other expenditure relating to persons working with the institution			9 407 000,00		9 407 000,00	8 759 136,71	6 886 822,03	1 872 314,68		647 863,29
TOTAL TITLE 1 — Persons working with the institution			340 324 000,00		340 324 000,00	326 013 683,05	322 708 056,09	3 305 626,96		14 310 316,95
2 0 0 0	Rent		1 982 000,00	- 23 000,00	1 959 000,00	1 957 643,23	1 894 105,27	63 537,96		1 356,77
2 0 0 2	Acquisition of immovable property			8 884 000,00	8 884 000,00	96 000,00		96 000,00	8 787 738,00	262,00
2 0 0 3	Fitting-out and installation work		10 618 000,00	- 1 836 000,00	8 782 000,00	8 738 922,53	2 674 476,75	6 064 445,78		43 077,47
2 0 0 4	Work to make premises secure		2 830 000,00	- 1 625 000,00	1 205 000,00	1 204 246,51	349 961,22	854 285,29		753,49
2 0 0 5	Expenditure preliminary to the acquisition, construction and fitting-out of buildings		711 000,00		711 000,00	344 062,91	138 200,16	205 862,75		366 937,09
2 0 0	Buildings		16 141 000,00	5 400 000,00	21 541 000,00	12 340 875,18	5 056 743,40	7 284 131,78	8 787 738,00	412 386,82
2 0 1 0	Cleaning and maintenance		19 057 000,00	- 1 129 000,00	17 928 000,00	17 852 440,99	13 430 433,64	4 422 007,35		75 559,01
2 0 1 1	Water, gas, electricity and heating		4 974 000,00	- 1 899 000,00	3 075 000,00	2 957 188,68	1 983 429,48	973 759,20		117 811,32

		(EUR)								
Budget line		Initial Appropriations 2017	Transfers/ Amendments 2017	Final Appropriations 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Carry Over by Right to 2018	Carry Over by Decision to 2018	Cancelled Appropriations	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 = 3 - 5 - 6 - 7	
2 0 1 2	Buildings security and surveillance	16 815 000,00	1 382 000,00	18 197 000,00	17 520 886,40	15 025 620,26	2 495 266,14		676 113,60	
2 0 1 3	Insurance	191 000,00	91 000,00	282 000,00	279 998,00	264 472,70	15 525,30		2 002,00	
2 0 1 4	Other expenditure relating to buildings	611 000,00	- 45 000,00	566 000,00	559 457,85	224 128,56	335 329,29		6 542,15	
2 0 1	Costs relating to buildings	41 648 000,00	- 1 600 000,00	40 048 000,00	39 169 971,92	30 928 084,64	8 241 887,28		878 028,08	
Total Chapter 2 0 — Buildings and associated costs		57 789 000,00	3 800 000,00	61 589 000,00	51 510 847,10	35 984 828,04	15 526 019,06	8 787 738,00	1 290 414,90	
2 1 0 0	Acquisition of equipment and software	12 262 000,00	- 1 231 244,00	11 030 756,00	10 699 646,84	5 301 290,95	5 398 355,89		331 109,16	
2 1 0 1	Outside assistance for the operation and development of computer systems	21 850 000,00	2 117 599,00	23 967 599,00	23 874 910,71	10 734 124,11	13 140 786,60		92 688,29	
2 1 0 2	Servicing and maintenance of equipment and software	7 156 000,00	- 1 494 803,00	5 661 197,00	5 651 012,24	4 867 261,73	783 750,51		10 184,76	
2 1 0 3	Telecommunications	1 532 000,00	- 291 552,00	1 240 448,00	1 240 447,04	561 006,95	679 440,09		0,96	
2 1 0	Computer systems and telecommunications	42 800 000,00	- 900 000,00	41 900 000,00	41 466 016,83	21 463 683,74	20 002 333,09		433 983,17	
2 1 1 1	Purchase and replacement of furniture	902 000,00		902 000,00	726 732,32	410 640,73	316 091,59		175 267,68	
2 1 1 2	Rental, servicing, maintenance and repair of furniture	40 000,00		40 000,00	14 897,61	7 400,71	7 496,90		25 102,39	
2 1 1	Furniture	942 000,00		942 000,00	741 629,93	418 041,44	323 588,49		200 370,07	
2 1 2 0	Purchase and replacement of technical equipment and installation	2 635 000,00	- 263 415,03	2 371 584,97	2 344 670,38	1 318 215,85	1 026 454,53		26 914,59	
2 1 2 1	Outside assistance for the operation and development of technical equipment and installations	78 000,00	341 989,05	419 989,05	412 864,95	246 393,59	166 471,36		7 124,10	

(EUR)		Budget line	Initial Appropriations 2017	Transfers/ Amendments 2017	Final Appropriations 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Carry Over by Right to 2018	Carry Over by Decision to 2018	Cancelled Appropriations
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 = 3 - 5 - 6 - 7
2 1 2 2	Rental, servicing, maintenance and repair of technical equipment and installations	946 000,00		- 78 574,02	867 425,98	774 667,42	477 839,61	296 827,81		92 758,56
2 1 2	Technical equipment and installation	3 659 000,00			3 659 000,00	3 532 202,75	2 042 449,05	1 489 753,70		126 797,25
2 1 3 2	Rental, maintenance and repair of the vehicle fleet	598 000,00			598 000,00	571 465,30	366 338,50	205 126,80		26 534,70
2 1 3 3	Mobility plan	450 000,00			450 000,00	450 000,00	214 253,71	235 746,29		
2 1 3	Transport	1 048 000,00			1 048 000,00	1 021 465,30	580 592,21	440 873,09		26 534,70
Total Chapter 2 1 — Computer system, equipment and furniture		48 449 000,00		- 900 000,00	47 549 000,00	46 761 314,81	24 504 766,44	22 256 548,37		787 685,19
2 2 0 0	Travel expenses of delegations	17 802 000,00		7 215 502,00	25 017 502,00	13 472 728,52	13 472 728,52			11 544 773,48
2 2 0 1	Miscellaneous travel expenses	470 000,00			470 000,00	232 784,78	188 284,78	44 500,00		237 215,22
2 2 0 2	Interpreting costs	79 816 000,00		- 10 115 502,00	69 700 498,00	66 521 325,00	59 610 462,00	6 910 863,00		3 179 173,00
2 2 0 3	Entertainment and representation expenses	150 000,00			150 000,00	130 875,00	118 793,09	12 081,91		19 125,00
2 2 0 4	Miscellaneous expenditure on internal meetings	4 174 000,00		- 15 000,00	4 159 000,00	4 004 163,98	3 195 887,26	808 276,72		154 836,02
2 2 0 5	Organisation of conferences, congresses and meetings	190 000,00		15 000,00	205 000,00	155 284,72	142 604,98	12 679,74		49 715,28
2 2 0	Meetings and conferences	102 602 000,00		- 2 900 000,00	99 702 000,00	84 517 162,00	76 728 760,63	7 788 401,37		15 184 838,00
2 2 1 0	Documentation and library expenditure	2 000 000,00		296 000,00	2 296 000,00	2 281 465,22	1 518 283,23	763 181,99		14 534,78
2 2 1 1	Official Journal	3 500 000,00		- 1 046 000,00	2 454 000,00	2 078 576,27	2 078 576,27			375 423,73
2 2 1 2	General publications	250 000,00		- 100 000,00	150 000,00	150 000,00	125 318,57	24 681,43		

Budget line		Initial Appropriations 2017	Transfers/ Amendments 2017	Final Appropriations 2017	Commitments 2017	Payments 2017	Carry Over by Right to 2018	Carry Over by Decision to 2018	(EUR)
2 2 1 3	Information and public events	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 = 3 - 5 - 6 - 7
		2 535 000,00	850 000,00	3 385 000,00	3 337 546,12	1 744 813,58	1 592 732,54		47 453,88
2 2 1	Information	8 285 000,00		8 285 000,00	7 847 587,61	5 466 991,65	2 380 595,96		437 412,39
2 2 3 0	Office supplies	408 000,00	- 5 000,00	403 000,00	355 429,77	280 134,04	75 295,73		47 570,23
2 2 3 1	Postal charges	80 000,00		80 000,00	51 962,68	28 332,36	23 630,32		28 037,32
2 2 3 2	Expenditure on studies, surveys and consultation	45 000,00		45 000,00	17 800,00	17 800,00			27 200,00
2 2 3 4	Removals	80 000,00	5 000,00	85 000,00	83 834,94	81 216,75	2 618,19		1 165,06
2 2 3 5	Financial charges	10 000,00		10 000,00	10 000,00	3 394,39	6 605,61		
2 2 3 6	Legal expenses and costs, damages and compensation	1 250 000,00		1 250 000,00	369 091,87	121 713,34	247 378,53		880 908,13
2 2 3 7	Other operating expenditure	254 000,00		254 000,00	223 759,08	48 042,66	175 716,42		30 240,92
2 2 3	Miscellaneous expenses	2 127 000,00		2 127 000,00	1 111 878,34	580 633,54	531 244,80		1 015 121,66
	Total Chapter 2 2 — Operating expenditure	113 014 000,00	- 2 900 000,00	110 114 000,00	93 476 627,95	82 776 385,82	10 700 242,13		16 637 372,05
	TOTAL TITLE 2 — Buildings, equipment and operating expenditure	219 252 000,00		219 252 000,00	191 748 789,86	143 265 980,30	48 482 809,56	8 787 738,00	18 715 472,14
1 0 0	Provisional appropriations								
1 0 1	Contingency reserve	2 000 000,00		2 000 000,00					2 000 000,00
	TITLE 10 — Other expenditure	2 000 000,00		2 000 000,00					2 000 000,00
	TOTAL BUDGET	561 576 000,00		561 576 000,00	517 762 472,91	465 974 036,39	51 788 436,52	8 787 738,00	35 025 789,09