Amendment 15
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution	*Amendment*
	18 a. reiterates that Frontex must focus on border surveillance of the Schengen area, fighting cross-border crime and assisting return operations, thus contributing to the protection of the people of Europe; calls for the redeployment of resources and the continued recruitment of the necessary frontline staff at the Union's external borders and in hot spots, and for the number of administrative posts to be streamlined; deplores the fact that the overall return rate in the Union remains below 30 %, indicating that current initiatives remain insufficient in light of the scale of illegal migration flows; stresses the need for Frontex to further prioritise its return operations and to work closely with Member States to enhance the effectiveness of the return programmes; stresses the urgent need for the EUAA to help Member States take measures to prevent illegal immigration and to process returns efficiently; calls for the possibility of reviewing asylum applications in countries of origin and transit to be considered in order to avoid fuelling migration into the Union;

Or. en

Amendment 16
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 b (new)

Motion for a resolution	*Amendment*
	18 b. Regrets that the FRA is constantly seeking to interfere in the work of the institutions and agencies, in particular those with internal staff responsible for fundamental rights; rejects its call for more funding;

Or. en

Amendment 17
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 c (new)

Motion for a resolution	*Amendment*
	18 c. Deplores the fact that the EUAA has only recently taken steps to terminate its rental contracts for premises in Lesbos and Rome, which had been identified as irregular by the European Court of Auditors since 2014, and which still cost EUR 123 800 for the financial year 2023 alone; in view of the steady increase in irregular migration across Europe, regrets that the EUAA is considering creating more posts for fundamental rights monitors rather than combating illegal immigration;

Or. en

Amendment 18
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 21

Motion for a resolution	*Amendment*
21. Notes that in ESA the increase is mainly due to the continued development of the Nuclear Observatory and ESA Management of Information (NOEMI) IT system and the provision of accounting services to the agency; in Eurojust the increase is mainly due to the additional resources necessary to perform tasks added by three Commission proposals for regulations and the particularly severe impact of inflation[12] ; in Frontex the budget increase aims to continue building the Standing Corps of border guards, including equipment[13] ; in the case of ACER, the increase is mainly due to the additional tasks delegated in planned revised regulations on energy infrastructure and methane emissions reduction[14] , the related annual remuneration indexation, higher legal expenses and a higher budget allocation derived from fees for specific projects;	21. Notes that in ESA the increase is mainly due to the continued development of the Nuclear Observatory and ESA Management of Information (NOEMI) IT system and the provision of accounting services to the agency; in Eurojust the increase is mainly due to the additional resources necessary to perform tasks added by three Commission proposals for regulations and the particularly severe impact of inflation[12] ; in Frontex the budget increase aims to continue building the Standing Corps of border guards, including equipment[13] ; in the case of ACER, the increase is mainly due to the additional tasks delegated in planned revised regulations on energy infrastructure and methane emissions reduction[14] , the related annual remuneration indexation, higher legal expenses and a higher budget allocation derived from fees for specific projects; ***deplores this increase for ACER, given that it was ineffective; criticises the fact that the response has not been up to task and has been affected by rising energy costs, the setting system for which does not protect consumers' interests;***
[12] Working document III draft budget 2023, p. 24.	[12] Working document III draft budget 2023, p. 24.
[13] Working document III draft budget	[13] Working document III draft budget

2023, p. 26.

[14] Working document III draft budget 2023, p. 21.

2023, p. 26.

[14] Working document III draft budget 2023, p. 21.

Or. en

Amendment 19
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22

Motion for a resolution	*Amendment*
22. Acknowledges the response to the written question indicating that Frontex's carryovers (45 % in 2023) are linked to its operational cycle, which does not align with the calendar year and cannot be easily adjusted as it involves all Member States; is aware that the Commission's political priorities and the expectations of Union citizens for security are the explanations applied to increase the Frontex budget; insists that it is essential to ensure adequate resources for the effective functioning of Frontex, while continuously assessing whether its budget is fit for purpose and delivers results; recalls the need to monitor progress on the agency's absorption capacity, emphasising the importance of sound planning to ensure its effectiveness; calls, in addition, on the EUAN to collaborate with the agencies and the ECA to develop a standardised presentation of carryovers that better aligns with the annuality principle of the financial regulation;	22. Acknowledges the response to the written question indicating that Frontex's carryovers (45 % in 2023) are linked to its operational cycle, which does not align with the calendar year and cannot be easily adjusted as it involves all Member States; is aware that the Commission's political priorities and the expectations of Union citizens for security are the explanations applied to increase the Frontex budget; insists that it is essential to ensure adequate resources for the effective functioning of Frontex, while continuously assessing whether its budget is fit for purpose and delivers results; recalls the need to monitor progress on the agency's absorption capacity, ***in particular through the recruitment of border and coast guard staff,*** emphasising the importance of sound planning to ensure its effectiveness; calls, in addition, on the EUAN to collaborate with the agencies and the ECA to develop a standardised presentation of carryovers that better aligns with the annuality principle of the financial regulation;

Or. en

Amendment 20
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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution	*Amendment*
30. Underlines that over the last decade CdT experienced 7 years of budgetary deficits and 6 years of accounting losses due to declining volumes of business; takes note that, to address the fall in business volumes, CdT has been drawing on a special reserve that was established in 2011 to ensure budget and price stability; notes that this reserve peaked at EUR 15,6 million in 2014, subsequently dropped to EUR 10,3 million in 2022 and EUR 8,9 million in 2023; is aware that once the reserve is fully depleted, any further deficits would have to be covered by Union budget subsidies, as provided for by the CdT's founding regulation; calls on CdT to report back to the discharge authority on its plans to mitigate the risks of business continuity;	30. Underlines that over the last decade CdT experienced 7 years of budgetary deficits and 6 years of accounting losses due to declining volumes of business; takes note that, to address the fall in business volumes, CdT has been drawing on a special reserve that was established in 2011 to ensure budget and price stability; notes that this reserve peaked at EUR 15,6 million in 2014, subsequently dropped to EUR 10,3 million in 2022 and EUR 8,9 million in 2023; is aware that once the reserve is fully depleted, any further deficits would have to be covered by Union budget subsidies, as provided for by the CdT's founding regulation; calls on CdT to report back to the discharge authority on its plans to mitigate the risks of business continuity; ***calls to align its staffing levels and fixed costs with the actual volume of activities observed, and to review and redeploy its operations in light of the evolving impact of new technologies;***

Or. en

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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32

Motion for a resolution	*Amendment*
32. Notes the conclusion of the Court in its annual report on EU agencies for the financial year 2023 (the 'Court's report'), that the Court's audit had similar results as in the previous year (2022), with weaknesses in public procurement procedures having remained the main source of irregular payments;	32. Notes the conclusion of the Court in its annual report on EU agencies for the financial year 2023 (the 'Court's report'), that the Court's audit had similar results as in the previous year (2022), with weaknesses in public procurement procedures having remained the main source of irregular payments; ***expresses concern over the recurrence of these serious weaknesses, particularly in certain agencies which, as a result, do not appear to be taking the necessary steps or showing the willingness to put an end to a situation that entails significant legal risks;***

Or. en

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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution	*Amendment*
40. Observes that, for the EIT, the qualification concerns irregular grant payments, where EIT conducted ex post verification on a sample of 174 cost items; notes that EIT rejected costs related to 27 cost items and that the Court identified three additional cost items for which EIT could not provide evidence that beneficiaries met essential grant agreement conditions, resulting in an estimated total of EUR 12,2 million in irregular grant payments, corresponding to an estimated error rate of 3,4 %; notes that the EIT disputes one of the errors reported by the Court, affecting three cost items, which, in its opinion are eligible; notes furthermore that according to EIT, without this case, the estimated error rate reported by the Court would be below the 2 % materiality threshold, leading to a clean audit opinion on the legality and regularity of EIT's payments;	40. Observes that, for the EIT, the qualification concerns irregular grant payments, where EIT conducted ex post verification on a sample of 174 cost items; notes that EIT rejected costs related to 27 cost items and that the Court identified three additional cost items for which EIT could not provide evidence that beneficiaries met essential grant agreement conditions, resulting in an estimated total of EUR 12,2 million in irregular grant payments, corresponding to an estimated error rate of 3,4 %; notes that the EIT disputes one of the errors reported by the Court, affecting three cost items, which, in its opinion are eligible; notes furthermore that according to EIT, without this case, the estimated error rate reported by the Court would be below the 2 % materiality threshold, leading to a clean audit opinion on the legality and regularity of EIT's payments ***but would not be satisfactory from the strict point of view of budgetary control and the proper use of public funds, which must drive us all***;

Or. en