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European agencies – The way forward

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Annex to the Communication
"European Agencies – The way forward"

1. Regulatory agencies

**Agencies created under 1st pillar**

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<td>Thessaloniki/GR</td>
<td>Budget total 2008: 17,162</td>
<td>EC Subsidy: 17,060</td>
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<td>- Cedefop is a centre of expertise, which helps promote and develop vocational education and training in the EU. - Works to promote a European area of lifelong learning throughout an enlarged EU, by providing information on and analyses of vocational education and training systems, policies, research and practice.</td>
<td>- Last retrospective evaluation : 2006/07 - finalised in December 2007 (Commission, DG EAC).</td>
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<td>Dublin/IE</td>
<td>Budget total 2008: 21,200</td>
<td>EC Subsidy: 20,000</td>
<td>2008</td>
<td>- Contributes to the planning and establishment of better living and working conditions in Europe. - Provides findings, knowledge and advice from independent and comparative research, to governments, employers, trade unions and the European Commission.</td>
<td>- Last retrospective evaluation : 2007</td>
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<td><strong>EEA Copenhagen/DK</strong></td>
<td>Budget total 2008: 36,414</td>
<td>EC Subsidy: 31,672</td>
<td>2008 (authorised under Community Budget): 123</td>
<td>- Provides objective, reliable and comparable information at European level enabling the Community and Member States to take the requisite measures to protect the environment, to assess the results of such measures and to ensure that the public is properly informed about the state of the environment. - Last retrospective evaluations: 2004-2006 - Discharge 2005 asks for evaluation by 1 January 2010 and every 5 years afterwards. Evaluation of EEA multiannual strategy 2004-2008 in 2007/08 in accordance with discharge request</td>
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<td><strong>ETF Turin/IT</strong></td>
<td>Budget total 2008: 17,984</td>
<td>EC Subsidy: 17,984</td>
<td>2008 (authorised under Community Budget): 96</td>
<td>- Helps transition and developing countries to harness the potential of their human resources through the reform of education, training and labour market systems in the context of the EU’s external relations policies. - Promotes effective cooperation between the Community and the 29 eligible countries in the field of vocational education and training. - Last retrospective evaluations concluded in 2006</td>
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| **EMCDDA**  
Lisbon/PT | European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction | Budget total 2008: 14,078 | EC Subsidy: 13,400 | 2008 (authorised under Community Budget): 82 | - Gathers, analyses and disseminates factual, objective, reliable and comparable information on drugs and drug addiction and their consequences, in so doing, provides the Community and its Member States with a sound and evidence-based view of the drug phenomenon at European level. | - Last retrospective evaluation concluded in 2007 (Commission - JLS) |
| **EMEA**  
London/UK | European Medicines Agency | Budget total 2008: 164,480 | EC Subsidy: 38,000  
Of which EUR 6 million provided as a special contribution for orphan medicinal products | 2008 (authorised under Community Budget): 475 | - The European Medicines Agency is the European Union body responsible for coordinating the existing scientific resources put at its disposal by Member States for the evaluation, supervision and pharmacovigilance of medicinal products.  
- The Agency provides the Member States and the institutions of the EU the best-possible scientific advice on any question relating to the evaluation of the quality, safety and efficacy of medicinal products for human or veterinary use referred to it in accordance with the provisions of EU legislation relating to medicinal products. | - Discharge 2005 asks for evaluation by 1 January 2010 and every 5 years afterwards. Evaluation planned in accordance with discharge. |
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<td>Council Regulation (EC) No 40/94 of 20th December 1993</td>
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<td>Budget total 2008: 300,610</td>
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<td><strong>EU-OSHA</strong> Bilbao/ES</td>
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<td>European Agency for Occupational Safety and Health</td>
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<td>- Official authority carrying out the procedures for the Community trade marks since 1996 and for the Community registered design since 2003.</td>
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<td>- Both a European Community agency and an industrial property office with its technical function: the registration of industrial property rights.</td>
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<td>- Provides the Community bodies, the Member States, the social partners and those involved in the field with the technical, scientific and economic information of use in the field of safety and health at work.</td>
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<td>- Provides the Commission with the technical, scientific and economic information it requires to fulfil its tasks of identifying, preparing and evaluating legislation and measures in the area of the protection of the safety and health of workers.</td>
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<td>- Act as a catalyst for developing, analysing and disseminating information that improves occupational safety and health in Europe.</td>
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<td>- Last retrospective evaluation concluded in 2001</td>
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<td><strong>CDT</strong> &lt;br&gt;Luxembourg/LU &lt;br&gt;Translation Centre for the bodies of the EU &lt;br&gt;Council Regulation (EC) No 2965/94 of 28th November 1994 as last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 1645/2003 of 18 June 2003</td>
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| **EMSA** Lisbon/PT  | Budget total 2008: 44,435               | EC Subsidy: 44,300                         | 2008  | - Provides the Commission and the Member States with the technical and scientific assistance in order to help to apply Community legislation properly in the field of maritime safety, maritime security for the aspects related to ships and prevention of pollution by ships.  
  - Provides the Member States and the Commission with the technical and scientific assistance in the field of accidental or deliberate pollution by ships and supports on request with additional means the pollution response mechanisms of Member States.  
  - Develops information systems to monitor the traffic of the merchant fleet along the EU coasts.  
  - Organises cooperation between national authorities in the Community interest, to collect, exchange and compare information and good practices.                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Evaluation in accordance with Constituent Act will be finalised in 2008 (Agency). |
| **EASA** Köln/DE    | Budget total 2008: 85,330               | EC Subsidy: 30,000                         | 2008  | - Provides the Commission with direct technical and scientific assistance in the field of aviation safety.  
  - Adopts individual decisions, with binding legal effects vis-à-vis third parties.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Evaluation in accordance with Constituent Act will be finalised in 2008 (Agency) |
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<td><strong>ENISA</strong> Heraklion/GR</td>
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<td>- Enhances the capability of the Community, the Member States and, as a consequence, the business community to prevent, address and to respond to network and information security problems. - Provides assistance and delivers advice to the Commission and the Member States on issues related to network and information security falling within its competencies as set out in the Regulation.</td>
<td>- Last retrospective evaluation concluded in 2007 - On the basis of an external evaluation, Commission proposal for extension of ENISA has been submitted to the Budgetary Authority (Com (2007) 861 final)</td>
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<td><strong>ECDC</strong> Stockholm/SE</td>
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<td>- Identifies, assesses and communicates current and emerging threats to human health from communicable diseases. - Build up European Surveillance and epidemic intelligence system for the detection of health treats. - Provides scientific opinions and scientific and technical assistance including training. - Enhances preparedness and a coordinated approach to response. - Share best practices in prevention.</td>
<td>- Tendering of external evaluation in accordance with Constituent act has started (Agency)</td>
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| **ERA** Lille - Valenciennes/FR **European Railway Agency**  
Regulation (EC) No 881/2004 of 29th April 2004 | Budget total 2008: 18,000  
EC Subsidy: 18,000 | 2008 (authorised under Community Budget): 116 | - Provides the Commission with direct technical and scientific assistance.  
- Contributes to the implementation of Community legislation by strengthening the level of interoperability of the rail systems and to develop a common approach as regards safety of the system. | - Mid-term evaluation of the ERA planned for 2010 (Commission- TREN). |
| **European GNSS Supervisory Authority GSA**  
(seat not decided yet)  
EC Subsidy: 10,560 | 2008 (authorised under Community Budget): 50 | - Provides the Commission with direct technical and scientific assistance.  
- Licence authority for the GALILEO concession plan (signature and supervision of the concession contract).  
- Develops the European systems GNSS, including the frequency and important financial management aspects (1 billion euros).  
- Ensures safety and certification.  
- Manages the EGNOS agreement. | |
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| **FRONTEX**  
Warsaw/PL  
European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Boarders of the Member States of the EU  
Council Regulation (EC) No 2007/2004 of 26th October 2004 | Budget total 2008: 69,000 | EC Subsidy: 68,000 | 2008 (authorised under Community Budget): 69 | - Facilitates and renders more effective the application of existing and future Community measures relating to the management of external borders, by ensuring the coordination of Member States’ actions in the implementation of those measures, thereby contributing to an efficient, high and uniform level of control on persons and surveillance of the external borders of the Member States.  
- Provides the Commission and the Member States with the necessary technical support and expertise in the management of the external borders and promote solidarity between Member States. | - Evaluation of Frontex has been finalised in 2008 (Commission - JLS).  
- Agency plans to launch evaluation in 2007/2008 in accordance with Constituent Act. |
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| **CFCA Vigo/ES**             | Budget total 2008: 7,300               | EC Subsidy: 7,300                          | 2008  | - Coordinates control and inspection by Member States relating to the control and inspection obligations of the Community.  
                        |                                        | (authorised under Community Budget): 49    |       | - Coordinates the deployment of the national means of control and inspection pooled by the Member States.  
                        |                                        |                                            |       | - Assists Member States in reporting information on fishing activities and control and inspection activities to the Commission and third parties.  
<pre><code>                    |                                        |                                            |       | - Assists Member States and the Commission in harmonising the application of the common fisheries policy throughout the Community.  | - Constituent Act requires evaluation within five years and then every five years (Agency). |
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<p>| Community Fisheries Control Agency |                                        |                                            |       |                                                                                         |                                                              |</p>
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<td>ECHA Helsinki/FI</td>
<td>Budget total 2008: 66,425</td>
<td>EC Subsidy: 62,619</td>
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<td>- Manages the technical, scientific and administrative aspects of REACH, ensuring consistency of decision-making at Community level. - Registration process, key role in ensuring consistency of evaluation, provide criteria to guide Member States' selection of substances for evaluation, and take decisions requiring further information on substances under evaluation. - Delivers opinions and issues recommendations in the authorisation and restrictions procedures.</td>
<td>- Constituent Act requires review by 1 June 2012 (Commission).</td>
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<td><strong>European Institute for Gender Equality Vilnius/LT</strong></td>
<td>Budget total 2008: 6,430</td>
<td>EC Subsidy: 6,430</td>
<td>2008</td>
<td>- Collects, analyses and disseminates relevant objective, reliable and comparable information as regards gender equality. - Develops methods to improve the comparability, objectivity and reliability of data at European level by establishing criteria that will improve the consistency of information.</td>
<td>- Constituent Act requires evaluation by 18 January 2010 (Agency).</td>
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<td>Regulated (EC) No 1922/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006</td>
<td>Budget total 2008: 15,000</td>
<td>EC Subsidy: 15,000</td>
<td>2008</td>
<td>- Collects records, analyses and disseminates relevant, objective, reliable and comparable information and data. - Formulates conclusions and opinions on general subjects, for the Union institutions and the Member States when implementing Community law.</td>
<td>- Retrospective evaluation (Evaluation of the European Monitoring Centre on racism and Xenophobia) concluded in 2002 -Ex post evaluation of activities of the EU monitoring centre for racism and xenophobia will be finalised in 2008 (Commission - JLS)</td>
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<td><strong>Fundamental Rights Agency Vienna/AT</strong></td>
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## Agencies (2nd pillar) - Within the Council’s competence

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| **European Institute for Security Studies Paris/FR**   | 2008: 3.8      | 2008: Approx. 26 | - Helps create a common European security culture, to support the strategic debate by providing the best possible interface between European decision-makers and the diverse circles of non-official specialists.  
- Provides data analysis and recommendations necessary for EU policy-making. |
- Aims at supporting EU's decision-making in the field of Common Foreign and Security Policy (CSFP). |
| **European Union Satellite Centre Torrejón de Ardoz/ES** | 2008: Approx. 27 + optional budget 8. | 2008: Approx 120 | - Supports the Council and the Member States in their effort to improve the EU's defence capabilities in the field of crisis management and to sustain the ESDP as it stands now and develops in the future. |
| Council Joint Action 2004/551/CFSP of 12 July 2004       |                |       |                          |
**Agencies (3rd pillar)**

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<td><strong>Europol</strong>&lt;br&gt;The Hague/NL&lt;br&gt;Council Act of 26 July 1995&lt;br&gt;(NB.: Europol is not a regulatory agency for the time being. It will become one after adoption of the Council regulation presently under interinstitutional discussion Com(2006)817 final )</td>
<td><strong>Budget total 2008</strong>&lt;br&gt;21</td>
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<td><strong>2008</strong>&lt;br&gt;101</td>
<td>- Helps the EU member states cooperate more closely and effectively in preventing and combating organised international crime, in particular: drug trafficking, immigration networks, vehicle trafficking, trafficking in human beings including child pornography, forgery of money and other means of payment, trafficking in radioactive and nuclear substances, and terrorism.</td>
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<td><strong>EUROJUST</strong>&lt;br&gt;The Hague/NL&lt;br&gt;2002/187/JHA: Council Decision of 28 February 2002</td>
<td><strong>Budget total 2008</strong>:&lt;br&gt;20</td>
<td><strong>EC Subsidy</strong>:&lt;br&gt;20</td>
<td><strong>2008</strong>&lt;br&gt;(authorised under Community Budget):&lt;br&gt;175</td>
<td>- Enhances the effectiveness of the competent authorities within Member States when they are dealing with serious cross-border and organised crime.&lt;br&gt;- Stimulates and improves the coordination of investigations and prosecutions and also supports the Member States in order to render their investigations and prosecutions more effective.</td>
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<td><strong>CEPOL Bramshill/UK</strong> European Police College Council Decision 2005/681/JHA of 20 September 2005</td>
<td><strong>Budget total 2008: 8,700</strong></td>
<td><strong>EC Subsidy: 8,700</strong></td>
<td><strong>2008 (authorised under Community Budget): 22,5</strong></td>
<td>- Helps cross-border training of senior police officers by optimising and reinforcing co-operation between relevant national institutes and organisations. - Aims at supporting and developing an integrated EU approach on the cross-border problems faced by its Member States in their fight against crime, crime prevention, the maintenance of law and order and public security.</td>
<td>- Constituent Act requires evaluation within five years and then every five years (Agency).</td>
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<td>Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators</td>
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<td>- Providing a framework for national regulators to cooperate.</td>
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<td>- Individual decision powers. (exemption requests concerning infrastructure assets of European interest and decisions on the regulatory regime applicable to infrastructure within the territory of more than one Member State).</td>
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<td><strong>European Electronic Communications Market Authority</strong>&lt;br&gt;Seat not yet decided&lt;br&gt;COM (2007)699 of 13.11.2007 Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the European Electronic Communications Market Authority</td>
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<td>The Authority would complement at European level, the regulatory tasks performed at national level by the regulatory authorities by: &lt;br&gt;- Providing a framework for national regulators to cooperate&lt;br&gt;- Regulatory oversight of market definition, analysis and the implementation of remedies (opinions of the Commission).&lt;br&gt;- Recommendation to the Commission on definition of transnational markets&lt;br&gt;- Advice on radio frequency harmonisation&lt;br&gt;- Decision powers on numbering administration and advice on number portability&lt;br&gt;- Network and information security. (The Authority will subsume the tasks of the existing European Network and Information Security Agency)&lt;br&gt;- General informational and advisory function</td>
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