

DECISION 28/2025 OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF
THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTE OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY (EIT)

ON ADOPTING THE EIT BUDGET AND ESTABLISHMENT PLAN
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2026

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTE OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 2021/819¹ of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 on the European Institute of Innovation and Technology, (hereinafter referred to as the 'EIT Regulation'), and in particular Article 22 thereof and point (1)(b) of Section of the Statutes annexed to the EIT Regulation;

Having regard to Decision 21/2019 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 25 September 2019 on the Financial Regulation of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (hereinafter referred to as 'EIT Financial Regulation')²;

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2024 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012³ (hereinafter referred to as the 'EU Financial Regulation');

Having regard to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/715 of 18 December 2018 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies set up under the TFEU and Euratom Treaty and referred to in Article 70 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council (hereinafter referred to as the 'Framework Financial Regulation')⁴, and in particular Article 33 thereof;

WHEREAS

- (1) Pursuant to Article 22 (4) of the EIT Regulation, the Governing Board of the EIT shall adopt the EIT's budget. The EIT's budget and establishment plan shall become final following the final adoption of the general budget of the Union. Where appropriate, it shall be adjusted accordingly.

¹ OJ L 189, 28.5.2021, p. 61.

² Ares(2019)6810859

³ OJ L 2024/2509, 26.9.2024, p. 1-239

⁴ OJ L 122, 10.5.2019, p. 1-38.

- (2) On 15 November 2025, the European Parliament and the Council of the European Union, on a proposal from the European Commission, have reached an agreement on the EU budget for 2026. The Council approved the joint text on 24 November 2025; and on 26 November 2025 the European Parliament adopted the 2026 EU budget.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The budget of the EIT for the financial year 2026, with the breakdown detailed in the Annex I to this decision, for a total commitment appropriation of **EUR 503,743,963.00** and for a total payment appropriation of **EUR 454,590,925.00** accompanied by the establishment plan of the EIT for the financial year 2026, as presented in Annex II to this decision, are hereby adopted.

Article 2

This decision shall enter into force on 1 January 2026.

Done at Budapest on 16 December 2025⁵

(e-signed)

Stefan Dobrev
Chairperson of the EIT Governing Board

Annex I. Statement of revenue and a statement of expenditure of the EIT for the financial year 2026
Annex II. Establishment plan of the EIT for the financial year 2026

⁵ Adopted by the EIT Governing Board in a written procedure

Annex I. Statement of revenue and statement of expenditure of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology for the financial year 2026

STATEMENT OF REVENUE							
Title Chapter	Heading		Budget 2026	Budget 2026	Budget 2025	Budget 2025	Outturn 2024
2	CONTRIBUTIONS		Commitment appropriations (CA)	Payment appropriations (PA)	Commitment appropriations (CA)	Payment appropriations (PA)	Payment appropriations (PA)
20	Contribution		503.743.963,00	454.590.925,00	506.580.027,36	434.897.598,57	465.804.705,03
	Title 2 - Total		503.743.963,00	454.590.925,00	506.580.027,36	434.897.598,57	465.804.705,03
3	REVENUE FROM ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATION						
30	Administrative revenues		p.m.	p.m.	107.252,72	107.252,72	16.320,96
	Title 3 - Total		0,00	0,00	107.252,72	107.252,72	16.320,96
4	REVENUE FROM OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES						
40	Revenue from operational activities		p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	2.457.198,67
	Title 4 - Total		0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	2.457.198,67
5	SURPLUS AND BALANCES						
50	Surplus and balances		p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	0,00
	Title 5 - Total		p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	0,00
	GRAND TOTAL		503.743.963,00	454.590.925,00	506.687.280,08	435.004.851,29	468.278.224,66

TITLE 2
CONTRIBUTIONS

CHAPTER 20 - CONTRIBUTIONS							
Article Item	Heading		Budget 2026	Budget 2026	Budget 2025	Budget 2025	Outturn 2024
			Commitment appropriations (CA)	Payment appropriations (PA)	Commitment appropriations (CA)	Payment appropriations (PA)	Payment appropriations (PA)
2000	European Commission subsidy		422.864.440,00	417.424.258,00	413.701.300,79	347.534.033,03	446.634.833,03
2010	EFTA contribution		10.994.475,00	10.853.031,00	11.273.168,00	9.455.505,00	0,00
2020	Candidate countries		0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
2030	Third countries		69.885.048,00	26.313.636,00	72.705.558,57	69.008.060,54	0,00
2040	Other contribution - external assigned revenue				8.900.000,00	8.900.000,00	19.169.872,00
	CHAPTER 20 - TOTAL		503.743.963,00	454.590.925,00	506.580.027,36	434.897.598,57	465.804.705,03
	Title 2 - Total		503.743.963,00	454.590.925,00	506.580.027,36	434.897.598,57	465.804.705,03

CHAPTER 20 - CONTRIBUTIONS

- 2000

European Commission subsidy

Remarks

This item covers revenue from the subsidy granted by the European Commission.
- 2010

EFTA contribution

Remarks

This item covers revenue from the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) contribution. (former income line 300)
- 2020

Candidate countries

Remarks

This item covers contribution of candidate countries and, where applicable, potential candidates from the Western Balkans.

- 2030

Third countries

Remarks
This item covers revenue from contribution of third countries into the Horizon 2020 Programme as well as the Horizon Europe's contributions allocated to the EIT. (former income line 310)
- 2040

Other contribution - external assigned revenue

Remarks
This item covers contribution not specifically provided for in the other income lines, e.g. Financial contributions from international organisations or from Member States. (former income lines 410,420,430, 490)

TITLE 3
REVENUE FROM ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATION

CHAPTER 30 - ADMINISTRATIVE REVENUES							
Article Item	Heading		Budget 2026	Budget 2026	Budget 2025	Budget 2025	Outturn 2024
			Commitment appropriations (CA)	Payment appropriations (PA)	Commitment appropriations (CA)	Payment appropriations (PA)	Payment appropriations (PA)
3000	Sale of movable property - <i>intrenal assigned revenue</i>		p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	0,00
3040	Revenue from loans, investments, bank interest		p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	0,00
3050	Interest yielded by pre-financing		p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	0,00
3070	Administrative refunds - <i>internal assigned revenue</i>		p.m.	p.m.	107.252,72	107.252,72	16.320,96
	CHAPTER 30 - TOTAL		0,00	0,00	107.252,72	107.252,72	16.320,96
	Title 3 - Total		0,00	0,00	107.252,72	107.252,72	16.320,96

- 3000

Sale of movable property - intrenal assigned revenue

Remarks
This items covers the revenue from the sale of movable property that constitute internal assigned revenue. (former income line 500)
- 3040

Revenue from loans, investments, bank interest

Remarks
This item covers revenue from loans, investments and bank interest. (former income line 520)
- 3050

Interest yielded by pre-financing

Remarks
This item covers revenue from interest yielded by pre-financing. (former income line 521)
- 3070

Administrative refunds - internal assigned revenue

Remarks
This item covers revenue from the repayment of amounts related to administrative operations. (former income line 570, 571, 580, 590)

TITLE 4
REVENUE FROM OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES

CHAPTER 40 - REVENUE FROM OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES							
Article Item	Heading		Budget 2026	Budget 2026	Budget 2025	Budget 2025	Outturn 2024
			Commitment appropriations (CA)	Payment appropriations (PA)	Commitment appropriations (CA)	Payment appropriations (PA)	Payment appropriations (PA)
4000	Repayment of unused grants - <i>internal assigned revenue</i>		p.m.	p.m.		0,00	2.457.198,67
4010	Revenue as a result of ex-post audit of grants - <i>internal assigned revenue</i>		p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	0,00
4020	Other revenue from operational activities - <i>internal assigned revenue</i>		p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	0,00
	CHAPTER 40 - TOTAL		0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	2.457.198,67
	Title 4 - Total		0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	2.457.198,67

- 4000

Repayment of unused grants - internal assigned revenue

Remarks
This item covers revenue from the repayment of unused grants paid to the Knowledge and Innovation Communities. (former income line 700)
- 4010

Revenue as a result of ex-post audit of grants - internal assigned revenue

Remarks
This item covers revenue from the repayment of grants paid to the Knowledge and Innovation Communities incurred as a result of an ex-post audit. (former income line 701)

4020 Other revenue from operational activities - internal assigned revenue

Remarks

This item covers revenue from the repayment of amounts paid in connection with the operational activities of the Institution. (former income line 710)

TITLE 5
SURPLUS AND BALANCES

CHAPTER 50 - SURPLUS AND BALANCES

Article Item	Heading		Budget 2026	Budget 2026	Budget 2025	Budget 2025	Outturn 2024
5000	Surplus and balances CHAPTER 50 - TOTAL Title 5 - Total		Commitment appropriations (CA)	Payment appropriations (PA)	Commitment appropriations (CA)	Payment appropriations (PA)	Payment appropriations (PA)
			p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	0,00
			p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	0,00
			p.m.	p.m.	0,00	0,00	0,00

CHAPTER 50 - SURPLUS AND BALANCES

5000 Surplus and balances

Remarks

This covers the budget result from previous financial year in accordance with Article 17 of the EIT Financial Regulation. (former income line 600)

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE

Article Item	Heading		Budget 2026		Budget 2025		Outturn 2024	
			Commitment	Payment	Commitment	Payment	Commitment	Payment
1	STAFF EXPENDITURE							
11	STAFF EXPENDITURE		8.921.268,84	8.921.268,84	7.972.671,40	7.972.671,40	7.332.396,71	7.332.396,71
12	EXTERNAL PERSONNEL		1.322.925,99	1.322.925,99	1.357.674,67	1.357.674,67	1.510.851,85	1.510.851,85
	Title 1 - Total		10.244.194,83	10.244.194,83	9.330.346,07	9.330.346,07	8.843.248,56	8.843.248,56
2	BUILDING, EQUIPMENT AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE							
21	BUILDING, EQUIPMENT AND ASSOCIATED COSTS		294.840,00	294.840,00	391.917,70	391.917,70	473.831,63	473.831,63
22	INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY		652.400,00	652.400,00	642.739,36	642.739,36	562.361,89	562.361,89
23	MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE		536.990,00	536.990,00	466.263,58	466.263,58	399.673,64	399.673,64
	Title 2 - Total		1.484.230,00	1.484.230,00	1.500.920,64	1.500.920,64	1.435.867,16	1.435.867,16
3	OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE							
31	KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATION COMMUNITIES AND KNOWLEDGE TRIANGLE INTEGRATION		490.718.538,17	440.686.307,17	482.331.696,47	413.056.790,87	419.431.732,52	437.247.030,20
32	EIT CROSS-CUTTING ACTIVITIES		1.297.000,00	2.176.193,00	4.624.316,90	2.216.793,71	1.979.733,34	1.844.639,58
33	SUPPORTING THE INNOVATION CAPACITY OF HIGHER EDUCATION		pm	pm	pm	pm	0,00	0,00
	Title 3 - Total		492.015.538,17	442.862.500,17	486.956.013,37	415.273.584,58	421.411.465,86	439.091.669,78
4	OTHER OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE							
41	CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENTS		0,00	0,00	8.900.000,00	8.900.000,00		
	Title 4 - Total		0,00	0,00	8.900.000,00	8.900.000,00		
	GRAND TOTAL		503.743.963,00	454.590.925,00	506.687.280,08	435.004.851,29	431.690.581,58	449.370.785,50

TITLE 1
STAFF EXPENDITURE

Article Item	Heading		Budget 2026	Budget 2025	Outturn 2024
CHAPTER 11 - STAFF EXPENDITURE					
110	Expenditure related to temporary staff				
1100	Remuneration and allowances of temporary staff		5.873.392,93	5.297.189,09	5.249.533,27
1101	Expenses and allowances related to entering the service, transfers and termination of		81.820,96	96.000,00	66.328,89
	Article 110 - Total		5.955.213,89	5.393.189,09	5.315.862,16
111	Expenditure related to contract staff				
1110	Remuneration and allowances of contract staff		2.029.802,55	1.765.000,00	1.345.707,55
	Article 111 - Total		2.029.802,55	1.765.000,00	1.345.707,55
112	Other staff expenditure				
1120	Schooling		550.000,00	407.360,16	366.163,98
1121	Kindergarten		105.500,00	104.819,50	80.400,97
1122	Recruitment		25.590,40	6.050,00	7.825,00
1123	Mission		150.000,00	149.600,00	150.604,18
1124	Medical expense		25.662,00	22.300,00	18.657,50
1125	Training		42.000,00	87.655,38	21.934,68
1126	Social activities		35.500,00	34.697,27	23.582,85
1127	Representation		2.000,00	2.000,00	1.657,84
	Article 112 - Total		936.252,40	814.482,31	670.827,00
	CHAPTER 11 - TOTAL		8.921.268,84	7.972.671,40	7.332.396,71
CHAPTER 12 - EXTERNAL PERSONNEL					
120	External personnel				
1200	Agency staff		712.400,00	864.151,52	464.810,98
1201	Seconded National Expert		56.403,67	56.158,22	13.976,65
1202	Trainee		146.500,00	81.216,98	128.076,88
1203	Administrative assistance in support of different activities		407.622,32	356.147,95	903.987,34
	Article 120 - Total		1.322.925,99	1.357.674,67	1.510.851,85
	CHAPTER 12 - TOTAL		1.322.925,99	1.357.674,67	1.510.851,85
	Title 1 - Total		10.244.194,83	9.330.346,07	8.843.248,56

110	Expenditure related to temporary staff
1100	Remuneration and allowances of temporary staff
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover remuneration and allowances of temporary staff in accordance with the Staff Regulations of officials and Conditions of employment of other servants of the European Communities. (former expense lines 1100, 1101, 1102)
1101	Expenses and allowances related to entering the service, transfers and termination of service
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the allowance on termination of contract by the EIT for temporary staff members in accordance with the Staff Regulations of officials of the European Communities. (former expense lines 1120,1121)
111	Expenditure related to contract staff
1110	Remuneration and allowances of contract staff
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover remuneration and allowances of contract staff in accordance with the Conditions of employment of other servants of the European Communities. (former expense line 1110)
112	Other staff expenditure
1120	Schooling
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the tuition fee according to EIT decision in force. (former expense line 1130)
1121	Kindergarten
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the early childhood centre fee for dependent children of staff members according to EIT decision in force. (former expense line 1402)

1122	Recruitment Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure on organising the competitions for interviews and related medical examinations, and the costs of organising procedures for selecting staff. (former expense line 1200)
1123	Mission Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure on duty travel by staff and SNEs between place of employment and the meeting place. (former expense line 1300)
1124	Medical expense Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the costs of the medical service at the places of work, including the purchase of materials and pharmaceutical products, etc., expenditure on preventive medical check-ups, and expenditure on services provided by outside medical specialists deemed necessary by the medical officers. It also covers expenditure involving the purchase of certain work tools deemed necessary on medical grounds, together with expenditure on medical or paramedical staff under service provision arrangements or on short-term stand-in assignment. (former expense line 1401)
1125	Training Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the introduction courses for new recruits, staff development courses, retraining, courses on the use of modern techniques, seminars, information sessions on EU matters etc. (former expense line 1500)
1126	Social activities Remarks This appropriation is intended to encourage and provide financial backing for schemes to promote social contact between staff of different nationalities, for example Christmas lunch, team building, etc. It also covers the financial contribution to participation in social, cultural and sport activities according to the EIT decision in force. (former expense lines 1403,1404)
1127	Representation Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover: — expenses related to the obligations of the institution regarding external invitations, including in connection with work carried out by the EIT’s units, and representation expenses for the Director and Head of Units, - the Secretariat’s reception and representation expenses, including the purchase of tokens, — miscellaneous protocol expenditure, such as on flags, display stands, invitation cards, printed menus, etc. (former expense line 1700)
120	External personnel
1200	Agency staff Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the employment of interim staff. (former expense line 1600)
1201	Seconded National Expert Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of national officials or other experts on secondment or temporary assignments to the EIT or called for short consultations from within and outside the European Union. (former expense line 1601)
1202	Trainee Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure incurred in particular administrative training for young students. This expenditure includes trainee's social security allowances and contributions, travel expenses at the beginning and end of the course, as well as travel expenses for travel connected with the training programme. (former expense line 1602)
1203	Administrative assistance in support of different activities Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure incurred by the Commission for administrative assistance given to the EIT, like computerised payroll service, mission calculation, translation, etc., plus any other expenditure on technical and administrative assistance outsourced by the EIT under ad hoc service contracts such as certification of the accounts. (former expense lines 1603,1604,1610,1611)

TITLE 2
BUILDING, EQUIPMENT AND MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE

Article Item	Heading		Budget 2026	Budget 2025	Outturn 2024
CHAPTER 21 - BUILDING,EQUIPMNT AND ASSOCIATED COSTS					
210	Building expense				
2100	Building rental, taxes		89.750,00	89.962,54	172.094,18
2101	Building support services		205.090,00	222.430,52	169.247,97
2109	Other building expense		p.m.	69.084,64	9.878,07
	Article 210 - Total		294.840,00	381.477,70	351.220,22
211	Equipment expense				
2110	Furniture rental, acquisition and associated cost		p.m.	9.000,00	122.293,64
2111	Technical equipment rental, acquisition and associated cost		p.m.	1.440,00	317,77
	Article 211 - Total		0,00	10.440,00	122.611,41
	CHAPTER 21 - TOTAL		294.840,00	391.917,70	473.831,63
CHAPTER 22 - INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY					
220	ICT equipment and services				
2200	IT software and hardware expenditure		621.900,00	614.335,36	511.284,26
2201	Communication equipment and services		30.500,00	28.404,00	51.077,63
	Article 220 - Total		652.400,00	642.739,36	562.361,89
	CHAPTER 22 - TOTAL		652.400,00	642.739,36	562.361,89
CHAPTER 23 - MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE					
230	Miscellaneous expenditure				
2300	Office supplies		p.m.	3.150,00	4.554,44
2301	Postage and delivery charges		p.m.	800,00	576,70
2302	Transport cost		p.m.	15.480,00	12.107,88
2303	Legal expense		75.000,00	67.500,00	22.819,52
2304	Handling and moving		p.m.	2.700,00	1.856,55
2305	Subscriptions, publications		p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
2306	Expenditure related to EIT Governing Board		386.290,00	330.482,00	310.638,61
2307	Studies and surveys		p.m.	p.m.	29.700,00
2308	Meeting expense		p.m.	10.624,08	14.535,94
2309	Other FMLOG expense		75.700,00	35.527,50	2.884,00
	Article 230 - Total		536.990,00	466.263,58	399.673,64
	CHAPTER 23 - TOTAL		536.990,00	466.263,58	399.673,64
	Title 2 - Total		1.484.230,00	1.500.920,64	1.435.867,16

210 Building expense
2100 Building rental, taxes
Remarks
This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure incurred by EIT for the rental of Agency's premises and taxes, and related rental contracts (parking rental, flags rental, roof top logo), etc. (former expense lines 2100, 2109) (former name "Building, rental, acquisition")

2101	Building support services Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the costs of maintenance, security and utilities in the buildings, cleaning and reception services, meeting rooms, warehouses, garages, car parks etc. used by the EIT, including: - consumption of water, gas, electricity, heating, etc.; - maintenance of central heating and air conditioning systems; - periodic cleaning, purchase of supplies for maintenance; - costs of repainting, repairs and supplies needed in maintenance workshops; - expenditure relating to selective waste treatment, storage and disposal; - expenditure relating to physical and material security of property, more specific buildings surveillance contracts; - maintenance of security installations and purchase of small-scale equipment; - expenditure relating to health and protection of persons at the workplace, and in particular the maintenance of fire-fighting equipment, updating teams of officials serving as fire pickets, statutory inspections; - refitting work such as moving partitions, changes to technical installations and other specific jobs relating to doors and locks, electricity, sanitary fittings, painting, floor coverings etc., and modifications to network gear incorporated in the building; - purchases and cleaning of protective clothing for workshop staff and other maintenance staff requiring protection against bad weather and cold, abnormal wear & tear and dirt as necessary; - legal, financial and technical advice prior to acquiring, renting or construction of buildings; - management of buildings, establishment of inventories, - etc. (former expense lines 2002,2003,2004,2005,2006)(former name "Building maintenance and security")
2109	Other building expense Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure as regards buildings not specifically provided for in the other budget lines, for example levz on immovable property, local taxes, etc. (merged in to expense line 2100)
211	Equipment expense
2110	Furniture rental, acquisition and associated cost Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the purchase and/or hire of office furniture and specialised furniture, including ergonomic furniture, shelving for archives, etc. as well as their maintenance, repair cost. (former expense lines 2220, 2221). Merged into expense line 2309
2111	Technical equipment rental, acquisition and associated cost Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the purchase/rental and initial installation, or renewal of equipment used for reproduction and archiving of documentation in any form, as well as large kitchen equipment and other mail handling, library, interpreting, and other technical and office equipment as well as its maintenance and repair cost. (former expense lines 2200, 2201). Merged into expense line 2309
220	ICT equipment and services
2200	IT software and hardware expenditure Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure of purchasing, rental of IT equipment (e.g. Computers, tablets, connection equipment, etc.) and software necessary for their operation. It also covers the installation, the configuration and consultancy fee related to the equipment and software. It also covers the cost of EC tools (HAN, ABAC, Sysper, Bluebell, Speedwell, etc.). (former expense lines 2100,2101)
2201	Communication equipment and services Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of communications (landline, mobile, internet, audio- and videoconferencing, including data transmission) services as purchase/rental of communication equipment and their maintenance. (former expense line 2302)
230	Miscellaneous expenditure
2300	Office supplies Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the purchase of office supplies, including: - purchase of paper, envelopes, office supplies, products for the reproduction workshop and certain printing and reproduction work contracted out; - installation, configuration, maintenance (limited to hardware!), supplies for office IT equipment (computers, printers, fax machines, photocopiers, scanners, cameras etc.) worth < EUR420; - purchase of special fittings for kitchens; - office furniture supplies worth < €420; - expenditure for medical supplies (medicine, bandage, etc.); etc. (former expense lines 1400, 2300) - merged into expense line 2309
2301	Postage and delivery charges Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure on postal and delivery charges, including parcels sent by post. Merged into expense line 2309
2302	Transport cost Remarks This action is intended to cover taxi expenditure, acquiring public transportation tickets for staff in accordance with the relevant EIT decision in force. (former expense line 2210,2211,2212). Merged into expense line 2309
2303	Legal expense Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover legal expenses, including - expenditure on pre-litigation proceedings and assistance from lawyers or other experts advising the EIT; - expenditure to be borne by the EIT by way of damages and expenditure occasioned by its civil liability and cases involving the staff and administration; - expenditure relating to certain cases where justice demands that compensation be paid without a true entitlement being inferred. (former expense line 2303)
2304	Handling and moving Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover departmental removals and regrouping and handling costs (reception, storage, placing) in respect of equipment, furniture and office supplies. Merged into expense line 2309
2305	Subscriptions, publications Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of official and tender publications in the Official Journal of the European Union related to the operation of the EIT. (E.g. budget) This appropriation is intended to cover purchases of books, documents and other publications, and subscription to newspapers and periodicals in line with the EIT's own needs. (former expense lines 2400,2401,2402)
2306	Expenditure related to EIT Governing Board Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover honoraria, travel expense and other cost of the members of the Governing Board and of the Executive Committee as well as the organisational cost of overning Board and Executive Committee meetings and other expenditure related to meetings, events, seminars where the member of the Governing Board and Executive Committee represents the EIT. (E.g. representation cost, meal, conference fee, etc.) (former expense lines 2306,2500)
2307	Studies and surveys Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure for specialised studies contracted to experts or consultants when the EIT with its staff, does not have the relevant expertise in the field of administration. It also covers the cost of staff surveys. (former expense line 2403)
2308	Meeting expense Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover costs connected with the organization of internal meetings, cost of beverages, refreshments and occasional light meals served at meetings held by the EIT. (former expense lines 2510,2520,2521). Merged into expense line 2309
2309	Other FMLOG expense Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover expenditure incurred by EIT regarding services and goods provided by contractors/governmental authorities for example car registration, transportation (car, taxi, public transport), supplies and consumables (stationary, coffee, tea, milk, fruits), office equipment, furniture, postage/courier services, and sustainability actions, etc. (former expense lines 2110, 2111, 2300,2301, 2302,2304,2305,2308)(former name "Other administrative expenses")

TITLE 3 OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE								
Article Item	Heading		Budget 2026		Budget 2025		Outturn 2024	
			Commitment	Payment	Commitment	Payment	Commitment	Payment
31	KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATION COMMUNITIES AND KNOWLEDGE TRIANGLE INTEGRATION							
311	Knowledge and Innovation Communities and knowledge triangle integration							
3110	Grants to Knowledge and Innovation Communities		489.998.168,17	439.843.687,17	481.905.454,22	412.644.266,87	416.104.534,52	434.674.310,45
3111	Strategic supervision and guidance of Knowledge and Innovation Communities		720.370,00	842.620,00	426.242,25	392.274,00	269.523,00	467.424,07
3112	EIT Label		-	-	0,00	20.250,00	63.675,00	73.575,00
3113	Enhancing collaboration among Knowledge and Innovation Communities		pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
3114	New Knowledge and Innovation Communities		pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
3115	Regional impact of Knowledge and Innovation Communities		pm	pm	pm	pm	675,00	106.014,93
3116	Other grants		pm	pm	0,00	0,00	2.993.325,00	1.925.705,75
	Article 311 - Total		490.718.538,17	440.686.307,17	482.331.696,47	413.056.790,87	419.431.732,52	437.247.030,20
	CHAPTER 31 - TOTAL		490.718.538,17	440.686.307,17	482.331.696,47	413.056.790,87	419.431.732,52	437.247.030,20
32	EIT CROSS-CUTTING ACTIVITIES							
320	EIT cross-cutting activities							
3201	Synergies and complementarities with other programmes		pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
3202	Brand management, communications and stakeholder relations		687.000,00	1.682.193,00	3.869.794,68	1.724.201,49	1.380.683,34	1.639.382,13
3203	EIT Alumni		-		pm	pm	6.300,00	9.787,50
3204	EIT Awards		440.000,00	440.000,00	417.342,22	417.342,22	432.850,00	50.000,00
3205	International cooperation		pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
3206	Monitoring and evaluation of impact		94.000,00	54.000,00	337.180,00	75.250,00	159.900,00	145.469,95
3207	Identification and sharing of good practices		76.000,00	0,00	pm	pm	pm	pm
	Article 320 - Total		1.297.000,00	2.176.193,00	4.624.316,90	2.216.793,71	1.979.733,34	1.844.639,58
	CHAPTER 32 - TOTAL		1.297.000,00	2.176.193,00	4.624.316,90	2.216.793,71	1.979.733,34	1.844.639,58
33	SUPPORTING THE INNOVATION CAPACITY OF HIGHER EDUCATION							
330	Supporting the innovation capacity of higher education							
3300	Supporting the innovation capacity of higher education				pm	pm	0,00	0,00
	Article 330 - Total		pm	pm	pm	pm	0,00	0,00
	CHAPTER 33 - TOTAL		pm	pm	pm	pm	0,00	0,00
	Title 3 - Total		492.015.538,17	442.862.500,17	486.956.013,37	415.273.584,58	421.411.465,86	439.091.669,78

311 Knowledge and Innovation Communities and knowledge triangle integration
3110 Grants to Knowledge and Innovation Communities
Remarks
This appropriation is intended to cover the grants awarded to Knowledge and Innovation Communities. (former expense line 3000)

3111 Strategic supervision and guidance of Knowledge and Innovation Communities
Remarks
This appropriation is intended to cover the costs of the EIT's activities related to KIC's grant management cycle. In particular, it covers the costs of operational activities and the cost of IT tools that safeguard the effective review of KIC Business plans and KICs’ reporting on activities and expenditure both ex-ante and ex-post. (former expense lines 3111,3302)

3112 EIT Label
Remarks
This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of the EIT's activities related to the implementation of a set of targeted cross-KIC actions that promote knowledge triangle integration, including the EIT label as flagship initiative. (former expense line 3112)

3113	Enhancing collaboration among Knowledge and Innovation Communities
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the cost related to facilitating shared services towards the KICs and exchanges of experiences and good practices between KICs and foster collaboration between them (cross-KIC activities) on both thematic and horizontal topics.
3114	New Knowledge and Innovation Communities
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of the EIT's activities related to designation of new KICs. (former expense line 3114)
3116	Other grants
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the cost related to the objective of the EIT RIS that means to contribute to boosting the ability to innovate of countries and regions in Europe that belong to the groups of so-called ‘modest and moderate’ innovators (according to the European Innovation Scoreboard). (former expense line 3301,3202)
320	EIT cross-cutting activities
3201	Synergies and complementarities with other programmes
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of promoting and facilitating synergies with EC Policy DGs and other EU programmes and bodies (notably but not exclusively Horizon Europe missions, DGs RTD, EAC, GROW, EASME, the European Structural and Investment Funds, the Joint Research Centre, Erasmus, Digital Europe Programme, InvestEU, Creative Europe, COSME, EUIPO and the Copernicus Programme) for the integration of Knowledge Triangle. (former expense lines 3201,3113)
3202	Brand management, communications and stakeholder relations
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of the EIT's activities related to its communications strategy, campaigns, media affairs and corporate identity. In particular, it covers the costs of integrated communications campaigns, media relations and monitoring, developing and reviewing brand elements and strengthening visual identity etc. In addition, this appropriation is intended to cover the cost of the EIT's activities related to the continuous EIT stakeholder engagement, events fostering structured dialogues that multiply Knowledge Triangle Integration activities beyond the KICs. (former expnese lines 3202,3204)
3203	EIT Alumni
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of the EIT's activities related to establishment and maintenance of the EIT alumni network including its governance. (former expense line 3203)
3204	EIT Awards
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of implementing the EIT Awards which reward successful EIT innovations, entrepreneurial start-ups and graduates from EIT labelled education programmes, to showcase EIT success stories and to enhance awareness about the EIT. (former expense line 3205)
3205	International cooperation
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the expenses related to strengthening the standing of the EIT among the global innovation community through a structured dialogue with third countries and international organisations.
3206	Monitoring and evaluation of impact
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the expense related to the monitoring of KICs operations and portfolio to strengthen the EIT’s grant control, to obtain basis for performance based funding, as well as to get insights into results of KICs activities. It also covers the cost of evaluation and miximising future KICs impact. (former expense line 3303)
3207	Identification and sharing of good practices
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of dissemination of results and good practices from the EIT Community. (former expense line 3113)
330	Supporting the innovation capacity of higher education
3300	Supporting the innovation capacity of higher education
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the cost of implementing the new action to support entrepreneurship and innovation in higher education.

TITLE 4
OTHER OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE

Article Item	Heading					Budget 2026		Budget 2025		Outturn 2024	
						Commitment	Payment	Commitment	Payment	Commitment	Payment
41	CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENTS										
411	Contribution agreements										
4110	European Batteries Alliance Academy (EBA)					pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
4111	European Solar Academy					pm	pm	4.900.000,00	4.900.000,00	pm	pm
4112	CRM Facility					pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
4113	European Advanced Materials Academy					pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
4114	European Raw Materials Skills Academy					pm	pm	4.000.000,00	4.000.000,00	pm	pm
4115	EIT AHEAD – African Higher Education and Development					pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
4116	European Hydrogen Academy					pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
4117	European Wind Academy					pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm
	Article 411 - Total					0,00	0,00	8.900.000,00	8.900.000,00	0,00	0,00
	CHAPTER 41 - TOTAL					0,00	0,00	8.900.000,00	8.900.000,00	0,00	0,00
	Title 4 - Total					0,00	0,00	8.900.000,00	8.900.000,00	0,00	0,00

411	Contribution agreements
4110	European Batteries Alliance Academy (EBA)
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure of the project covered under the contribution agreement between the EIT and DG EMPLOYMENT including their operating expenditure and staff salaries (former expense line 3116)
4111	European Solar Academy
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure of the project covered under the contribution agreement between the EIT and DG GROW including their operating expenditure and staff salaries (former expense line 3116)
4112	CRM Facility
	Remarks
	This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure of the project covered under the contribution agreement between the EIT and DG INTPA including their operating expenditure and staff salaries (former expense line 3116)
4113	European Advanced Materials Academy
	Remarks

	This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure of the project covered under the contribution agreement between the EIT and DG RTD including their operating expenditure and staff salaries (former expense line 3116)
4114	European Raw Materials Skills Academy Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure of the project covered under the contribution agreement between the EIT and DG RTD including their operating expenditure and staff salaries (former expense line 3116)
4115	EIT AHEAD – African Higher Education and Development Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure of the project covered under the contribution agreement between the EIT and DG INTPA including their operating expenditure and staff salaries
4116	European Hydrogen Academy Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure of the project covered under the contribution agreement between the EIT and DG EMPL including their operating expenditure and staff salaries
4117	European Wind Academy Remarks This appropriation is intended to cover the expenditure of the project covered under the contribution agreement between the EIT and DG EMPL including their operating expenditure and staff salaries

Proportionality factor (*)	Participation rate (%)	Budget line	Title	Budget 2026 and NGEU credits		EU
				Commitments	Payments	Commitment
2,60 %		01 02 03 02	European innovation ecosystems	63 026 222	61 680 261	1 63
2,60 %		01 02 03 03	European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)	422 864 440	417 424 258	10 99

RE: 2026 final budget figures



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Ciao Timi,

The figures of the 2026 EU voted budget (VOBU) for EIT remained the same during the conciliation between

Programme	Nomenclature	Mgt Level	Heading	Service	Commitment
Horizon Europe	01 02 03 03		European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)	EAC	4

Best,
Andrea

FTA contribution		Notes
Payments	Contributions	
1 603 687	8 682	
10 853 031	4 475	

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in Parliament and the Council and they are the following:

2026 EU BUDGET	
Payments Total	Contributions Total
417.424.258	122.864.440

Annex II. Establishment plan of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology for the financial year 2026

Category and grade	2026		2025				2024
	Permanent post	Temporary post	Authorised under EU budget for 2025		Actually filled as of 31.12.2025		Actually filled as of 31.12.2024
			Permanent post	Temporary post	Permanent post	Temporary post	
AD16		0		0		0	0
AD15		1		1		0	0
AD14		0		0		1	1
AD13		0		0		0	0
AD12		2		1		0	0
AD11		4		3		5	5
AD10		7		6		5	5
AD9		10		11		12	11
AD8		7		11		6	6
AD7		6		5		3	4
AD6		3		2		8	6
AD5		1		1		1	0
Total AD	0	41	0	41	0	41	38
AST11							
AST10							
AST9							
AST8							
AST7							
AST6		2		1		1	0
AST5		2		3		1	1
AST4		0		0		1	2
AST3		1		1		1	1
AST2							
AST1							
Total AST	0	5	0	5	0	4	4
TOTAL	0	46	0	46	0	45	42

Information on number of contract staff and seconded national experts

Contract agents	2026	2025		2024
		Authorised under EU budget for 2025	Actually filled as of 31.12.2025	Actually filled as of 31.12.2024
Function group IV	24	21	21	13
Function group III	10	10	9	9
Function group II	0	0	0	0
Function group I	0	0	0	0
Total contract agents	34	31	30	22

External staff	2026	2025		2024
		Authorised under EU budget for 2025	Actually filled as of 31.12.2025	Actually filled as of 31.12.2024
Seconded national experts	1	1	1	1
Total external staff	1	1	1	1