



Secretariat of the Transparency Register

Draft budget estimate for 2023: IT development, maintenance and hosting costs Transparency Register

This document sets out the budget estimates for the year 2023 concerning the IT development, maintenance and hosting of the Transparency Register.

The Secretariat carried out a detailed assessment of the performance of the IT platform of the Transparency Register in 2022 by setting up an ad hoc IT working group, as instructed by the Management Board on 24 September 2021. Three possible options for the way forward from 2023 onwards were identified, of which option C, namely a complete overhaul of the IT infrastructure of the Transparency Register, is the option the Secretariat recommends to allow for an optimal adaptation of the Transparency Register to technological standards and best practices and thereby ensure it becomes fit for purpose and meets the objectives of the Interinstitutional Agreement of 20 May 2021.

A complete re-make of the Transparency Register would start with the development of a ‘minimal viable product’ in 2023, which would cover the progressive overhaul of the IT system to be completed in the following years.

Based on the ‘minimal viable product’, the total cost for the IT development, maintenance and hosting of the Register in 2023 is estimated to be € 1 385 000, as computed in accordance with the following costs breakdown table.

Development costs	
<i>Development of new IT features (new version of the Transparency Register) supporting:</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Registration, updating and validation of interest representatives	129 000€
Searching and reporting about registrants	128 000€
Complaints handling by back-office users (including related correspondence)	114 000€
Communication with registrants	96 000€
Sending and retrieving information to/from other IT systems	128 000€
Verification and improvement of quality of entered information	82 000€
IT system management	80 000€
Translations	180 000€
Contingency (12%)	113 000€
SUB-TOTAL	1 050 000€
Data migration	20 000€
Training	10 000€
SUB-TOTAL	30 000€
Maintenance and hosting costs	
Maintenance	125 000€
Infrastructure	180 000€
SUB-TOTAL	305 000€
GRAND TOTAL	1 385 000€