

DRAFT OPINION OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD ON EFSA's FINAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2014

The Management Board takes note of EFSA's Final Accounts for the budget year 2014. On the basis of:

- the certification of the accounts by EFSA's Accounting Officer;
- the information provided by the Accounting Officer during the Audit Committee meeting on 17th June 2015;
- the information provided by the Accounting Officer during this Management Board meeting on 18th June 2015;
- the report provided by the external auditors MAZARS on EFSA's 2014 accounts;
- the preliminary observations report issued by the European Court of Auditors regarding EFSA's 2014 accounts upon review on audit work by MAZARS;

The Management Board notes that ... [to be completed based on the discussion at the meeting]

The Management Board [has obtained / has not obtained] reasonable assurance that EFSA's 2014 final accounts give a true and fair view of EFSA's financial position as of 31 December 2014.

On the above basis, the Management Board [gives / does not give] a positive opinion on the final accounts for the budget year 2014.

The Management Board looks forward to the report and observations of the Budgetary Authority at the end of the discharge procedure. The Board requests the Executive Director of the European Food Safety Authority to take into account the eventual observations and remarks with a view to further consolidating the Authority's accountability, effectiveness and efficiency in the coming period.

This opinion will be sent together with EFSA's final accounts, to the Commission's Accounting Officer, the European Court of Auditors, the European Parliament and the Council by 1st July 2015, as required under EFSA's Financial Regulation.

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