## <u>Press release - MEPs back Helga Berger</u> <u>as the Austrian member of the European</u> Court of Auditors



The nominee was backed by 360 votes in favour, 221 against and 114 abstentions.

Ms Berger, who is currently Director General of Budget and Public Finances in the Austrian Federal Ministry of Finance, was nominated by the Austrian government and has already been <a href="mailto:endorsed-by-the-EP's Budgetary Control">endorsed-by-the-EP's Budgetary Control</a>
<a href="Committee.">Committee.</a>

The mandate of the previous Austrian member of the European Court of Auditors, Oskar Herics, expired on 29 February 2020. The nomination process for the new member was delayed to allow time for the new Austrian government to be formed.

## **Background**

The 27 members of the <u>Court of Auditors</u> are appointed by the Council for a renewable term of six years, after consulting the European Parliament.