

Protected Disclosures Annual Report in respect of 2023 in accordance with Section 22 of the 2014 Protected Disclosures Act (as amended).

**daa confirms that it has internal and external reporting channels and procedures in place in
accordance with the Protected Disclosures Act 2014 (as amended) as outlined in its Protected
Disclosures Policy.**

1 Identification

- 1.1 Name of Public Body:
- 1.2 Calendar year covered by this report:

2 Reports received in calendar year

- 2.1 How many reports were received via internal reporting channels in the calendar year?

3 Assessment of reports

- 3.1 Of the total number of reports received in the calendar year, how many were:
- | | (a) Fully | (b) Partially |
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| 3.1.1 Awaiting completion of assessment at year end? | 1 | |
| 3.1.2 Assessed as warranting further follow-up? | | |
| 3.1.3 Referred to another more relevant procedure? | | |
| 3.1.4 Closed with no further action taken? | 1 | |

4 Follow-up of reports

- 4.1 How many follow-up procedures were opened in the calendar year?
- 4.2 How many open follow-up procedures were carried over from the previous year?
- 4.3 How many follow-up procedures were closed in the calendar year?
- 4.4 How many follow-up procedures remained open at the end of the calendar year?
- 4.5 Of the number of follow-up procedures reported as still open in response to Q4.4, how many are:
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| 4.5.1 Open less than 1 year? | 1 |
| 4.5.2 Open more than 1 year but less than 3 years? | |
| 4.5.3 Open more than 3 years but less than 5 years? | |
| 4.5.4 Open 5 or more years? | |
- 4.6 What was the **average** length (in weeks) of the follow-up procedures closed in the calendar year?
- 4.7 What was the **median** length (in weeks) of the follow-up procedures closed in the calendar year?

5 Matters followed-up

- 5.1 Of the follow-up procedures opened in calendar year reported in response to Q4.1, how many involved:
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| 5.1.1 Criminal offences? | |
| 5.1.2 Breaches of a legal obligation? | |
| 5.1.3 Miscarriage of justice? | |
| 5.1.4 Endangerment of health and safety? | 1 |
| 5.1.5 Damage to the environment? | |
| 5.1.6 Unlawful or improper use of public funds? | |
| 5.1.7 Acts or omissions that are oppressive, discriminatory or grossly negligent or constitute gross mismanagement? | 2 |
| 5.1.8 Breaches of the EU laws within the scope of Article 2 of Directive (EU) 2019/1937 (the Whistleblowing Directive)? | |
| 5.1.9 Concealment or destruction of information tending to show any matter falling within items 6.1.1 to 6.1.8? | |

6 Follow-up of matters related to breaches of EU law

6.1 Of the follow-up procedures reported as opened in response to Q5.1.8 (breaches of EU law), if any, how many involved breaches of:

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| 6.1.1 | Public procurement? | |
| 6.1.2 | Financial services, products and markets, and prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing? | |
| 6.1.3 | Product safety and compliance? | |
| 6.1.4 | Transport safety? | |
| 6.1.5 | Protection of the environment? | |
| 6.1.6 | Radiation protection and nuclear safety? | |
| 6.1.7 | Food and feed safety and animal health and welfare? | |
| 6.1.8 | Public health? | |
| 6.1.9 | Consumer protection? | |
| 6.1.10 | Protection of privacy and personal data and security of network and information systems? | |
| 6.1.11 | The financial interests of the EU? | |
| 6.1.12 | The functioning of the EU Internal Market? | |

7 Outcome of follow-up procedures

7.1 Of the follow-up procedures reported as closed in response to Q4.3, how many were closed because no wrongdoing was found or insufficient evidence of wrongdoing could be found?

(a) Fully (b) Partially

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7.2 Of the follow-up procedures reported as closed in response to Q4.3 and the result of the follow-up procedure was that a wrongdoing was found to have occurred, how many resulted in:

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| 7.2.1 | Further proceedings or sanctions? | |
| 7.2.2 | Referral or transmission to another body for further follow-up? | |
| 7.2.3 | Changes to policies and/or procedures? | |
| 7.2.4 | Recovery of lost funds? | |

7.3 Of the follow-up, procedures reported as closed in response to Q4.3, what (where relevant) is the estimated financial damage to the public body arising from the wrongdoing reported?

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7.4 Of the follow-up procedures reported as closed in response to Q4.3, what (where relevant) is the estimated amount of funds recovered by the public body arising from its follow-up?

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8 Anonymous reports

8.1 Of the total number of reports received in response to Q2, how many were made anonymously?

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8.2 How many follow-up procedures were opened in response to anonymous reports in the calendar year?

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8.3 How many anonymous reporting persons subsequently disclosed their identity to the Designated Person in the calendar year?

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