



Publications Office Management Plan 2014



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1. MISSION STATEMENT

The task of the Publications Office is to provide direct and free-of-charge access to European law and all publications of the European Union, as well as to publish, on all media and in all formats, the publications of the institutions and other bodies of the European Union under optimum technical and financial conditions.

2. THIS YEAR'S CHALLENGES

Since 1 July 2013 the electronic online edition of the *Official Journal of the European Union* is authentic and produces legal effects. This milestone represents the visible “tip of the iceberg” of the profound digital revolution that took place in the Office during the last 5 years.

The Publications Office achieved a major IT architecture transformation programme in 2012 and a deep re-organisation aimed at adapting its structure and working methods to state-of-the-art IT technologies in 2013. Thus the Office has further consolidated its position as a centre of excellence in publishing, providing easy access and promoting re-use of EU law and other types of documents from EU institutions and bodies. These changes are beneficial to its direct customers, the so-called author services and content providers. Benefits also reach European citizens at large, through increased transparency and accountability of the European institutions.

Moreover, the Office aims at contributing to societal and macroeconomic objectives: re-use activities are expected to impact on innovation, growth and jobs through the creation of new services based on EU public information.

Not only the Office has been upgrading and modernising its “traditional” services; more and more it has been asked to manage and deliver new services, such as the Open Data Portal, metadata normalisation, JURE database (case law), summaries of legislation, Commission services’ guide, repository and access to studies.

A special effort is being conducted in the domain of legislative consolidation, as part of the initiative REFIT – Regulatory fitness and performance. Also the ongoing implementation of the European Legislation Identifier (ELI) by the Office aims at improving access and re-usability of legislation, by linking EU and national provisions.

It is remarkable that most of these new services have been initiated or taken over without the transfer of additional resources and within the constraints of the staff reduction plan of the European Commission.

The main challenges ahead in 2014 are the following:

- Continuing to ensure the smooth production and online publication of the **Official Journal**, taking into account the changes of production providers;
- Achieving the loading of **Cellar as single repository for legal information** (content and metadata) published by the Office;
- Releasing the **first version of the Publications Office’s portal**, as a single access point for content currently available through the different websites managed by the Office;
- Increasing the production, quality monitoring, dissemination as well as re-usability of content of e-books through the **EU Bookshop** and other means;
- Continuing to work on the **Open Data Portal**, by increasing quantity and quality of data sets from Commission services, as well as from the other EU institutions, agencies and bodies;
- Designing and implementing new electronic standard forms in an innovative and intuitive way to meet the requirements of the new **public procurement** legislative package;
- Pursuing the efforts in providing harmonised and standardised metadata, as well as common authority tables to ensure interoperability and enhanced access, search, linking and re-use of content through **semantic technologies**;
- Ensure the online publication and smooth production of the **Summaries of EU legislation**, taking into account the integration in the new EUR-Lex portal;
- Further improving effectiveness by closing the publications’ stock and distribution centre in Gasperich and outsourcing the related service provision.

List of the key performance indicators

Operational ABB activities:

- Percentage of Official Journal issues produced without delay in 23 or 24 language versions.
- Access to official documents - Status of the single repository (CELLAR) in terms of system and information availability.
- Number of documentary units (notices) in CELLAR available for EUR-Lex.
- Number of visits to EU Bookshop website.

Internal control framework:

- Percentage of contracts above EUR 1 million evaluated.

3. GENERAL OBJECTIVES OF THE POLICY

Not applicable to the Publications Office.

4. SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES FOR OPERATIONAL ABB¹ ACTIVITIES²

4.1 Production (26 AWBL³-12)

PRODUCTION					
Financial resources ⁴ (€) in commitment appropriations			Human resources		
Operational expenditure ⁵	Administrative expenditure	Total	Establishment plan posts	Estimates of external personnel (in FTEs)	Total
10 253 000	26 833 473	37 086 473	296	25	321

Description

This activity involves publishing the Official Journal in all official languages on all media, preparing the publication of the Special Edition of the Official Journal in case of enlargement, consolidating European Union acts, making available all public procurement notices in the Supplement to the Official Journal, ensuring the production of European Case Law collections, producing publications in all forms, reprinting publications and improving the linguistic and graphical quality of all publications at all production stages.

The institutions are committed to processing publication of compulsory EU documents through the Publications Office (e.g. Official Journal, the General report on the activities of the European Union). For publications of a non-compulsory nature, institutions may choose to use the services of the Publications Office.

The Publications Office has a quality control service which ensures that the texts published in the Official Journal respect the rules laid down in the Inter-institutional Style Guide and/or are in line with the requirements of the Author services.

Justification

The role of the Publications Office in publishing the Official Journal of the European Union and guaranteeing its authenticity is laid down in Decision 2009/496/EC, Euratom of 26 June 2009 on the organisation and operation of the Publications Office of the European Union [see article 3, paragraph 1 (a)] (OJ L 168, 30.6.2009, p. 41), amended by Decision 2012/368/EU, Euratom of 29 June 2012 (OJ L 179, 11.7.2012, p. 15).

Publication of the Official Journal is specifically mentioned in the Treaty on European Union (Articles 110, 248 and 254), Council Decision of 15 September 1958 creating the Official Journal of the European Communities (OJ 17, 6.10.1958, p. 390) and Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of 30 May 2001 on public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents (OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43), and in Consolidated versions of the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (OJ C 115, 9.5.2008, p. 1).

Ongoing consolidation was decided by the European Council of Edinburgh, 1992, which emphasised that consolidation is one of the main channels of making legislation "more readily accessible in a concise and intelligible form".

The directives on public procurement, which determine the notices to be published and the manner in which they are published for the public contracting authorities/entities (national or regional entities and institutions), make it mandatory above specific thresholds to publish these notices in the Supplement to the Official Journal.

The activity regarding EU publications is explicitly mentioned in Decision 2009/496/EC of 26 June 2009 on the organisation and operation of the Publications Office of the European Union, amended by Decision 2012/368/EU, Euratom of 29 June 2012.

¹ Activity-based budgeting.

² All indicators are related to non-spending programme.

³ Activity without budget line.

⁴ Based on 2014 draft budget.

⁵ OJ S budget line only.

Main budget lines

26.010900.0201	Production
26.011000	Consolidation of EU law
26.011100	Official Journal L&C series
26.011200	Summaries of EU legislation
26.020100	Procedures for awarding and advertising public supply, works and service contracts

Credits for publications subdelegated or codelegated by other institutions, agencies and Directorates-General.

Main units involved

Official Journals and Case Law
 Documentary Management and Metadata
 IT Infrastructures and Security
 Publications
 Calls for Tender, Contracts and Copyright
 Coordination and Quality Control A, B and C
 EUR-Lex and TED

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: produce the Official Journal in all official languages on all media			
<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)⁶</i>	<i>Baseline (year)⁷</i>	<i>Latest known results⁸</i>	<i>Target 2014⁹</i>
Percentage of Official Journal issues produced without delay in 23 or 24 language versions <i>(Official Journals and Case Law-1)</i>	99% <i>(2005)</i>	100%	100%
Number of: - Official Journal issues - total pages <i>(Volume not under the Office's control)</i> <i>(Official Journals and Case Law-2)</i>	785 608 060 <i>(2003)</i>	790 1 243 193	900 1 600 000 ¹⁰
Average global price per page and trend over time <i>(Official Journals and Case Law-3)</i>	EUR 23.45 <i>(2009)</i>	EUR 10	Expected decrease in price ¹¹
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Produced Official Journals			

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: prepare the publication of the Special Edition of the Official Journal in the relevant languages in case of enlargement			
<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)⁶</i>	<i>Baseline (year)⁷</i>	<i>Latest known results⁸</i>	<i>Target 2014⁹</i>
Total number of produced pages of the <i>acquis</i> (Special Edition) <i>(Official Journals and Case Law-4)</i>	Not applicable	85 168	Last 25 000 pages of Croatian <i>acquis</i> published
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Special Edition in Croatian			

⁶ Given the nature of the Office's activities, "output" indicators, resulting from production activities, are sometimes more pertinent than "result" indicators (outcome).

⁷ A baseline sets the starting point from which progress is assessed. It is defined for the year when the objective was first established or when a significant policy change occurred.

⁸ Latest known results as of September or October 2013 (extract from production or activity data).

⁹ All targets are based on historical data.

¹⁰ Increase of the number of pages linked to the production of the backlog of European Parliament's written questions.

¹¹ Entry into force of the new production contracts on 1 April 2014.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: consolidate European Union acts, i.e. integrate basic instruments of EU law, their amendments and corrections in single documents which are not legally binding

<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)¹²</i>	<i>Baseline (year)¹³</i>	<i>Latest known results¹⁴</i>	<i>Target 2014¹⁵</i>
Number of legislative acts in force which have been consolidated (in at least one linguistic version) (Documentary Management and Metadata-1)	Not available (new indicator)	3 527	3 550
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Consolidated versions of legislative acts produced during the year			

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: ensure the online publication and smooth production of the Summaries of EU legislation, taking into account the integration in the new EUR-Lex portal

<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)¹²</i>	<i>Baseline (year)¹³</i>	<i>Latest known results¹⁴</i>	<i>Target 2014¹⁵</i>
Number of drafted / redrafted and updated summaries loaded in CELLAR and available for EUR-Lex (Documentary Management and Metadata-4)	Not available (new indicator)	Not available	drafted / redrafted: 270 updated: 540
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Loaded summaries			

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: make available all tender notices in the Supplement to the Official Journal, including assistance to the awarding authorities throughout the process

<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)¹²</i>	<i>Baseline (year)¹³</i>	<i>Latest known results¹⁴</i>	<i>Target 2014¹⁵</i>
Number of produced notices (Official Journals and Case Law-5)	224 142 (2003)	368 667	460 000
Average cost per notice (Official Journals and Case Law-6)	EUR 77.0 (2005)	EUR 13.21 ¹⁶	<EUR 15
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Produced notices			

¹² Given the nature of the Office's activities, "output" indicators, resulting from production activities, are sometimes more pertinent than "result" indicators (outcome).

¹³ A baseline sets the starting point from which progress is assessed. It is defined for the year when the objective was first established or when a significant policy change occurred.

¹⁴ Latest known results as of September or October 2013 (extract from production or activity data).

¹⁵ All targets are based on historical data.

¹⁶ Entry into force of the new contract in December 2012 leading to a decrease of the price.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: provide high-quality editorial advice to authors and produce EU publications on all media

<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)¹²</i>	<i>Baseline (year)¹³</i>	<i>Latest known results¹⁴</i>	<i>Target 2014¹⁵</i>
(a) Number of publication projects assigned	Not available	6 502	7 500
(b) Number of definitive electronic files ordered	<i>(partly due</i>	10 925	12 000
(c) Number of graphic design projects assigned <i>(Publications-1)</i>	<i>to a change</i> <i>in the</i> <i>computation</i> <i>methods)</i>	233	300
Number of produced volumes of the European Case Law collections <i>(Official Journals and Case Law-7)</i>	Not available <i>(new</i> <i>indicator)</i>	2	1 452
Percentage of requests answered within a deadline of 15 working days (Indicator not under the Unit's control) <i>(Calls for Tender, Contracts and Copyright-1)</i>	Not available <i>(new</i> <i>indicator)</i>	Not available	75%
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Publications produced in the year			

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: ensure proofreading and quality control of publications in all official languages

<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)¹⁷</i>	<i>Baseline (year)¹⁸</i>	<i>Latest known results¹⁹</i>	<i>Target 2014²⁰</i>
Percentage of pages (proofs + manuscript + printed OJ): OJL, OJC, budgetary and related documents corrected on time <i>(Coordination and Quality Control-1)</i>	Not available <i>(new</i> <i>indicator)</i>	100%	>98%
Percentage of deadlines respected for manuscript preparation and proofreading services related to general publications <i>(Coordination and Quality Control-2)</i>	98% <i>(2011)</i>	95.6%	>95%
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Proofread pages			

¹⁷ Given the nature of the Office's activities, "output" indicators, resulting from production activities, are sometimes more pertinent than "result" indicators (outcome).

¹⁸ A baseline sets the starting point from which progress is assessed. It is defined for the year when the objective was first established or when a significant policy change occurred.

¹⁹ Latest known results as of September or October 2013 (extract from production or activity data).

²⁰ All targets are based on historical data.

4.2 Cataloguing and archiving (26 AWBL-14)

CATALOGUING AND ARCHIVING					
Financial resources ²¹ (€) in commitment appropriations			Human resources		
Operational expenditure ²²	Administrative expenditure	Total	Establishment plan posts	Estimates of external personnel (in FTEs)	Total
0	2 608 777	2 608 777	95	5	100

Description

This activity involves cataloguing, indexing, identification, record input and maintenance, annual subscriptions to international agencies in the field of cataloguing, electronic storage, long-term preservation of digital information and related services, and digitalization.

Justification

The activity is explicitly mentioned in Decision 2009/496/ EC, Euratom of 26 June 2009 on the organisation and operation of the Publications Office of the European Union, amended by Decision 2012/368/EU, Euratom of 29 June 2012.

Main budget lines

26.010900.0202 Cataloguing and archiving
33.030500 JURE

Costs can also be borne by specific budget lines such as 26.011100 "Official Journal L&C series" and 26.020100 "Procedures for awarding and advertising public supply, works and service contracts".

Main units involved

Documentary Management and Metadata
EUR-Lex and TED
Postproduction Reception, Validation and CELLAR Management
Enterprise Architecture, Methods and Formats

²¹ Based on 2014 draft budget.

²² OJ S budget line only.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: ensure analysis, identification, cataloguing and indexation of all EU publications

<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)²³</i>	<i>Baseline (year)²⁴</i>	<i>Latest known results²⁵</i>	<i>Target 2014²⁶</i>
General publications: number of notices produced <i>(Documentary Management and Metadata-2)</i>	Not available <i>(new indicator)</i>	11 092	14 000
Legal documents: number of notices produced <i>(Documentary Management and Metadata-3)</i>	Not available <i>(new indicator)</i>	13 258	15 000
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Bibliographical notices produced			

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: ensure storage and long-term preservation of digital information

<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)²³</i>	<i>Baseline (year)²⁴</i>	<i>Latest known results²⁵</i>	<i>Target 2014²⁶</i>
Number of documentary units (notices) in CELLAR available for EUR-Lex <i>(EUR-Lex and TED-3)</i>	5.7 million <i>(2011)</i>	7.2 million	7.7 million
Access to official documents - Status of the single repository (CELLAR):			
a) System availability Availability of the technical infrastructure (hardware, network, IT systems)	Not available <i>(new indicator)</i>	>99.17%	>99%
b) Information availability Availability of OJ Authentic (content and metadata) for online access and re-use <i>(Postproduction Reception, Validation and CELLAR Management-1)</i>		100%	>99.9%
Preservation of official documents - Volume of data stored in the long term digital archive (EUDOR):			
a) System availability Availability of the technical infrastructure (hardware, network, IT systems)	Not available <i>(new indicator)</i>	>99.96%	>99%
b) Information availability Availability of information (content and metadata) in the archiving <i>(Postproduction Reception, Validation and CELLAR Management-2)</i>		Under definition	>99%
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Documentary units			

²³ Given the nature of the Office's activities, "output" indicators, resulting from production activities, are sometimes more pertinent than "result" indicators (outcome).

²⁴ A baseline sets the starting point from which progress is assessed. It is defined for the year when the objective was first established or when a significant policy change occurred.

²⁵ Latest known results as of September or October 2013 (extract from production or activity data).

²⁶ All targets are based on historical data.

4.3 Physical distribution and promotion (26 AWBL-15)

PHYSICAL DISTRIBUTION AND PROMOTION					
Financial resources ²⁷ (€) in commitment appropriations			Human resources		
Operational expenditure ²⁸	Administrative expenditure	Total	Establishment plan posts	Estimates of external personnel (in FTEs)	Total
205 000	5 925 450	6 130 450	40	4	44

Description

This activity involves storing activities for publications: placing in storage, entries/removals, etc., packaging and addressing (machines, installations, consumables, handling, etc.), dispatching (mailing, transport, shuttles, etc.), as well as online promotion (e.g. via the websites and social media) and offline promotion (e.g. exhibitions, catalogues and prospectuses), and providing information and assistance to the public, essentially with respect to usage of the public websites.

Justification

The activity is explicitly mentioned in Decision 2009/496/ EC, Euratom of 26 June 2009 on the organisation and operation of the Publications Office of the European Union, amended by Decision 2012/368/EU, Euratom of 29 June 2012.

Main budget lines

26.010900.0203 Physical distribution and promotion
 26.011100 Official Journal L&C series
 26.020100 Procedures for awarding and advertising public supply, works and service contracts

Comment: most of the distribution activity is invoiced to ordering institutions, agencies and Directorates-General. The money is reused for further dispatch activities.

Main units involved

Distribution

²⁷ Based on 2014 draft budget.

²⁸ OJ S budget line only.

**SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: ensure efficient distribution services for all EU publications
(addresses, storage, dispatch)**

<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)²⁹</i>	<i>Baseline (year)³⁰</i>	<i>Latest known results³¹</i>	<i>Target 2014³²</i>
Number of copies dispatched per year by the Distribution Centre of which:	50.3 million (2005)	12.93 million	11 million
- distribution via mailing list		6.87 million (53%)	5.5 million (50%)
- orders (Distribution-1)		6.06 million (47%)	5.5 million (50%)
Number of orders fulfilled (Distribution-2)	Not available (new indicator)	164 000	200 000
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Copies received and delivered			

²⁹ Given the nature of the Office's activities, "output" indicators, resulting from production activities, are sometimes more pertinent than "result" indicators (outcome).

³⁰ A baseline sets the starting point from which progress is assessed. It is defined for the year when the objective was first established or when a significant policy change occurred.

³¹ Latest known results as of September or October 2013 (extract from production or activity data).

³² All targets are based on historical data.

4.4 Public websites (26 AWBL-13)

PUBLIC WEBSITES					
Financial resources ³³ (€) in commitment appropriations			Human resources		
Operational expenditure ³⁴	Administrative expenditure	Total	Establishment plan posts	Estimates of external personnel (in FTEs)	Total
477 000	6 719 100	7 196 100	103	4	107

Description

This activity involves maintaining and developing public websites and providing a helpdesk for website users.

Justification

The 'Legal databases' (EUR-Lex) activity within the Access to Law activity is covered by:

- the Council Resolutions, in particular the Resolution of 20 June 1994 on the electronic dissemination of Community law and national implementing measures and on improved access conditions.
- the Decision 2009/496/EC, Euratom of 26 June 2009 on the organisation and operation of the Publications Office of the European Union, amended by Decision 2012/368/EU, Euratom of 29 June 2012; preserving all publications and making them available in electronic form is explicitly mentioned in Decision 2009/496/EC, Euratom, amended by Decision 2012/368/EU, Euratom of 29 June 2012.
- the Council Regulation (EU) No 216/2013 of 7 March 2013 on the electronic publication of the Official Journal of the European Union.

The European Commission launched an EU Open Data strategy in December 2011. A data portal was formally established by Commission Decision 2011/833/EU (Commission Decision of 12 December 2011 on the reuse of Commission documents). This has become the European Union Open Data Portal, which is the single point of access to the data sets held by the EU institutions, agencies and other bodies.

The CORDIS activities are covered by Annex 20 of the Commission implementing decision adopting the 2014-2015 work programme in the framework of the Specific Programme Implementing Horizon 2020 - The Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020), C(2013)8631 of 10 December 2013.

The activity of the TED website is covered, inter alia, by the Directive 2004/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004 on the coordination of procedures for the award of public works contracts, public supply contracts and public service contracts (OJ L 134, 30.4.2004, p. 114), as last amended by Council Directive 2013/16/EU of 13 May 2013 (OJ L 158, 10.6.2013, p. 184).

The JURE collection is covered by the Protocol n°2 to the Convention on jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters concluded in Lugano on 30 October 2007 (OJ L339, 21.12.2007, p.27).

Main budget lines

26.010900.0204	Public websites (EUR-Lex, EU Bookshop)
26.011100	Official Journal L&C series (EUR-Lex)
26.020100	Procedures for awarding and advertising public supply, works and service contracts (TED)

Credits subdelegated to the Office by several Directorates-General (CORDIS and Open Data Portal).

³³ Based on 2014 draft budget.

³⁴ OJ S budget line only.

Main units involved

Common Portal and Open Data Portal
 EUR-Lex and TED
 EU Bookshop and CORDIS
 Document Management and Metadata

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: provide the European Union with a harmonised online access to Law and Publications through a high-quality, user-friendly, free, secure and reliable information service			
<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)³⁵</i>	<i>Baseline (year)³⁶</i>	<i>Latest known results³⁷</i>	<i>Target 2014³⁸</i>
Number of visits to EUR-Lex website (EUR-Lex and TED-1)	67.3 million (2007)	59.3 million	70 million
Number of pages consulted on EUR-Lex website (EUR-Lex and TED-2)	135 million (2005)	163.6 million	190 million
Percentage of the electronic version of official documents available on the EUR-Lex website at the time of publication ³⁹ (EUR-Lex and TED-4)	Not available (new indicator)	100%	99%
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Complete and updated information on website			

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: make available all tender notices in the Supplement to the Official Journal, from collection to dissemination on the TED website (http://ted.europa.eu) and other media, including assistance to the awarding authorities throughout the process			
<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)³⁵</i>	<i>Baseline (year)³⁶</i>	<i>Latest known results³⁷</i>	<i>Target 2014³⁸</i>
Number of visits to TED website (EUR-Lex-TED-5)	9.2 million (2007)	11.1 million	14 million
Number of tender notices consulted on TED website (EUR-Lex-TED-6)	25.1 million (2005)	50.3 million ⁴⁰	44 million ⁴¹
Percentage of tender notices published in the OJ S within the publication deadlines (EUR-Lex-TED-7)	99% (2009)	99%	99%
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Complete and updated information on website			

³⁵ Given the nature of the Office's activities, "output" indicators, resulting from production activities, are sometimes more pertinent than "result" indicators (outcome).

³⁶ A baseline sets the starting point from which progress is assessed. It is defined for the year when the objective was first established or when a significant policy change occurred.

³⁷ Latest known results as of September or October 2013 (extract from production or activity data).

³⁸ All targets are based on historical data.

³⁹ Since 1 July 2013, date of the entry into force of the Council Regulation on electronic publication of the Official Journal of the European Union, this indicator is applied to the Official Journal only.

⁴⁰ Significant increase in the first 6 months was noticed and is assumed to be the result of robots downloading bulk volumes. Figures decreased to normal values in the 3rd quarter, following implementation of the new "bulk download" functionality.

⁴¹ Volume is not expected to increase substantially owing to the new "bulk download" functionality. Impact of RSS feeds via Common Portal is not yet foreseeable.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: disseminate information on all EU-funded research projects and their results in the broadest sense and improve access to this information by the research community and the general public, in particular through the CORDIS website (<http://cordis.europa.eu>)

<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)⁴²</i>	<i>Baseline (year)⁴³</i>	<i>Latest known results⁴⁴</i>	<i>Target 2014⁴⁵</i>
Number of visits to CORDIS website (EU Bookshop and CORDIS-1)	4.7 million (2011)	4.6 million	4.5 million ⁴⁶
Number of pages consulted on CORDIS website (EU Bookshop and CORDIS-2)	29.4 million (2011)	28.0 million	15 million ⁴⁷
Number of research results* available on CORDIS (cumulative) * FP6 and FP7 (EU Bookshop and CORDIS-3)	6 517 (2011)	12 201	16 000
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Published information and results on EU-funded research programmes			

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: ensure the electronic dissemination of the full catalogue of EU publications (EU Bookshop and Digital Library)

<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)⁴²</i>	<i>Baseline (year)⁴³</i>	<i>Latest known results⁴⁴</i>	<i>Target 2014⁴⁵</i>
Number of visits to EU Bookshop website (EU Bookshop and CORDIS-4)	0.5 million (2005)	1.5 million	1.6 million
Number of pages consulted on EU Bookshop website (EU Bookshop and CORDIS-5)	5.1 million (2005)	9.1 million	9 million
Number of documentary units (notices) on EU Bookshop website (EU Bookshop and CORDIS-6)	Not available (new indicator)	97 809	105 000
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Online availability of general publications and functionalities to order printed copies			

⁴² Given the nature of the Office's activities, "output" indicators, resulting from production activities, are sometimes more pertinent than "result" indicators (outcome).

⁴³ A baseline sets the starting point from which progress is assessed. It is defined for the year when the objective was first established or when a significant policy change occurred.

⁴⁴ Latest known results as of September or October 2013 (extract from production or activity data).

⁴⁵ All targets are based on historical data.

⁴⁶ 2014 indicator values are not comparable with previous years due to the change in the monitoring system to ensure a harmonised approach across all OP websites.

⁴⁷ See footnote above.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE: facilitate the dissemination and the reuse of the public EU data			
<i>Output or result indicators (responsible Unit-reference of the indicator)⁴⁸</i>	<i>Baseline (year)⁴⁹</i>	<i>Latest known results⁵⁰</i>	<i>Target 2014⁵¹</i>
Number of visits to EU Open Data Portal (Common Portal and Open Data Portal-4)	Not available (new indicator)	82 341 ⁵²	130 000
Number of pages consulted on EU Open Data Portal (Common Portal and Open Data Portal-5)	Not available (new indicator)	485 555 ⁵³	600 000
Number of documentary units (data sets) proposed in catalogue of EU Open Data Portal (Common Portal and Open Data Portal-6)	Not available (new indicator)	6 243	7 000
<i>Main expenditure-related outputs</i>			
Complete and updated information on website			

⁴⁸ Given the nature of the Office's activities, "output" indicators, resulting from production activities, are sometimes more pertinent than "result" indicators (outcome).

⁴⁹ A baseline sets the starting point from which progress is assessed. It is defined for the year when the objective was first established or when a significant policy change occurred.

⁵⁰ Latest known results as of September or October 2013 (extract from production or activity data).

⁵¹ All targets are based on historical data.

⁵² The EU Open Data Portal has been online since December 2012 as a Beta release (until November 2013).

⁵³ See footnote above.

