


REPORT TO THE WALLOON PARLIAMENT

Implementation of processes by the Mandate Control Directorate pursuant to the Walloon Decrees on Governance



The Belgian Court of Audit assessed the processes implemented by the Walloon administration to establish and publish annually a register of mandates and remunerations of public representatives as well as to check their compliance with the remuneration ceilings set by legislation.

In order to carry out these missions, the Mandate Control Directorate (DCM) compares the information in the declarations lodged by public representatives with an authentic, reliable and exhaustive source listing all institutions concerned, the persons subject to the disclosure obligation and their remunerations. The Walloon government was therefore tasked with establishing an “institutional register” containing all these data.

In the Court's view, the processes implemented by the DCM provide reasonable assurance that it can carry out its tasks in a timely manner and with a minimum of errors, provided that the institutional register is complete and continuously updated as required by the legislation.

However, the implementation of the institutional register is still ongoing at this stage. As a result, the Court was unable to base its audit work on prior and reasonable assurance that the institutional register is established in such a way as to be the authentic, reliable and exhaustive source to which the DCM must be able to refer when performing its tasks. In such circumstances, the completeness and accuracy of the register published by the DCM cannot be ascertained. The Court therefore recommends that the register be further implemented.