

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**No 158/2014****of 9 July 2014****amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms [2015/93]**

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area ('the EEA Agreement'), and in particular Articles 86 and 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) It is appropriate to extend the cooperation of the Contracting Parties to the EEA Agreement to include Regulation (EU) No 1381/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme for the period 2014 to 2020 ⁽¹⁾.
- (2) Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended in order to allow for this extended cooperation to take place from 1 January 2014,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Article 5 of Protocol 31 shall be amended as follows:

1. In paragraph 5, the words ', in the programme referred to in the fourteenth indent as from 1 January 2014' are inserted after the words 'in the programme referred to in the thirteenth indent as from 1 January 2012'.
2. The following is added in paragraph 8:

— **32013 R 1381**: Regulation (EU) No 1381/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme for the period 2014 to 2020 (OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 62).

Liechtenstein shall only participate in the activities which may result from budget lines 33 01 04 01 Support expenditure for Rights and Citizenship and 33 02 02 Promoting non-discrimination and equality.

Norway shall be exempted from the participation in, and the financial contribution to, this programme.'

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following the last notification under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement (*).

It shall apply from 1 January 2014.

*Article 3*This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 9 July 2014.

*For the EEA Joint Committee**The President*

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 62.

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.