

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
**No 68/2018**  
**of 23 March 2018**  
**amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement [2020/85]**

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

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

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision (EU) 2017/2285 of 6 December 2017 Amending the user's guide setting out the steps needed to participate in EMAS, under Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the voluntary participation by organisations in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS) <sup>(1)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Annex XX to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The following point is inserted after point 1eaj (Commission Decision (EU) 2017/1508) of Annex XX to the EEA Agreement:

'1eak. **32017 D 2285**: Commission Decision (EU) 2017/2285 of 6 December 2017 Amending the user's guide setting out the steps needed to participate in EMAS, under Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the voluntary participation by organisations in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS) (OJ L 328, 12.12.2017, p. 38).'

*Article 2*

The text of Decision (EU) 2017/2285 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Union*, shall be authentic.

*Article 3*

This Decision shall enter into force on 24 March 2018, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (\*).

*Article 4*

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, 23 March 2018.

*For the EEA Joint Committee*  
*The President*  
Claude MAERTEN

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 328, 12.12.2017, p. 38.

(\*) No constitutional requirements indicated.