

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE****No 310/2019****of 13 December 2019****amending Annex IX (Financial Services) to the EEA Agreement [2020/328]**

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 Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1276 of 29 July 2019 repealing Commission Implementing Decision 2012/627/EU on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Australia as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies <sup>(1)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1277 of 29 July 2019 repealing Implementing Decision 2012/630/EU on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Canada as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies <sup>(2)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1278 of 29 July 2019 repealing Implementing Decision 2014/248/EU on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Singapore as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies <sup>(3)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (4) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1279 of 29 July 2019 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of the United States of America as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies <sup>(4)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (5) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1280 of 29 July 2019 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Mexico as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies <sup>(5)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (6) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1281 of 29 July 2019 repealing Implementing Decision 2014/245/EU on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Brazil as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies <sup>(6)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (7) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1282 of 29 July 2019 repealing Implementing Decision 2014/246/EU on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Argentina as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies <sup>(7)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (8) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1283 of 29 July 2019 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Japan as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies <sup>(8)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 17.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 20.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 23.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 26.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 30.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 34.

<sup>(7)</sup> OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 37.

<sup>(8)</sup> OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 40.

- (9) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1284 of 29 July 2019 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Hong Kong as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies<sup>(9)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (10) Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1276 repeals Commission Implementing Decision 2012/627/EU<sup>(10)</sup>, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (11) Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1277 repeals Commission Implementing Decision 2012/630/EU<sup>(11)</sup>, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (12) Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1278 repeals Commission Implementing Decision 2014/248/EU<sup>(12)</sup>, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (13) Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1279 repeals Commission Implementing Decision 2012/628/EU<sup>(13)</sup>, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (14) Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1280 repeals Commission Implementing Decision 2014/247/EU<sup>(14)</sup>, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (15) Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1281 repeals Commission Implementing Decision 2014/245/EU<sup>(15)</sup>, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (16) Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1282 repeals Commission Implementing Decision 2014/246/EU<sup>(16)</sup>, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (17) Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1283 repeals Commission Decision 2010/578/EU<sup>(17)</sup>, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (18) Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1284 repeals Commission Implementing Decision 2014/249/EU<sup>(18)</sup>, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (19) Annex IX to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Annex IX to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

- (1) The text of point 31eba (Commission Decision 2010/578/EU) is replaced by the following:

**‘32019 D 1283:** Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1283 of 29 July 2019 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Japan as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies (OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 40).’

- (2) The text of point 31ebc (Commission Implementing Decision 2012/628/EU) is replaced by the following:

**‘32019 D 1279:** Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1279 of 29 July 2019 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of the United States of America as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies (OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 26).’

<sup>(9)</sup> OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 43.

<sup>(10)</sup> OJ L 274, 9.10.2012, p. 30.

<sup>(11)</sup> OJ L 278, 12.10.2012, p. 17.

<sup>(12)</sup> OJ L 132, 3.5.2014, p. 73.

<sup>(13)</sup> OJ L 274, 9.10.2012, p. 32.

<sup>(14)</sup> OJ L 132, 3.5.2014, p. 71.

<sup>(15)</sup> OJ L 132, 3.5.2014, p. 65.

<sup>(16)</sup> OJ L 132, 3.5.2014, p. 68.

<sup>(17)</sup> OJ L 254, 29.9.2010, p. 46.

<sup>(18)</sup> OJ L 132, 3.5.2014, p. 76.

(3) The text of point 31ebg (Commission Implementing Decision 2014/247/EU) is replaced by the following:

**'32019 D 1280:** Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1280 of 29 July 2019 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Mexico as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies (OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 30).'

(4) The text of point 31ebi (Commission Implementing Decision 2014/249/EU) is replaced by the following:

**'32019 D 1284:** Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1284 of 29 July 2019 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Hong Kong as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies (OJ L 201, 30.7.2019, p. 43).'

(5) The texts of points 31ebb (Commission Implementing Decision 2012/627/EU), 31ebd (Commission Implementing Decision 2012/630/EU), 31ebe (Commission Implementing Decision 2014/245/EU), 31ebf (Commission Implementing Decision 2014/246/EU) and 31ebh (Commission Implementing Decision 2014/248/EU) are deleted.

#### Article 2

The texts of Implementing Decisions (EU) 2019/1276, (EU) 2019/1277, (EU) 2019/1278, (EU) 2019/1279, (EU) 2019/1280, (EU) 2019/1281, (EU) 2019/1282, (EU) 2019/1283 and (EU) 2019/1284 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 14 December 2019, 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, 13 December 2019.

For the EEA Joint Committee

The President

Gunnar PÁLSSON

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(\*) No constitutional requirements indicated.