

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**No 252/2014****of 13 November 2014****amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms [2015/1811]**

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 Decision No 573/2014/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on enhanced cooperation between Public Employment Services (PES) ⁽¹⁾.
- (2) Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended in order to allow for this extended cooperation to take place,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following paragraph is inserted after paragraph 8 of Article 15 of Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement:

'9. The EFTA States shall participate in the cooperation provided for in the following EU act:

- **32014 D 0573**: Decision No 573/2014/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on enhanced cooperation between Public Employment Services (PES) (OJ L 159, 28.5.2014, p. 32).

The EFTA States shall participate fully, without the right to vote, in the Board of the Network.'

Article 2

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

*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, 13 November 2014.

*For the EEA Joint Committee**The President*

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 159, 28.5.2014, p. 32.

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.