

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**No 51/2016****of 18 March 2016****amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement [2017/1881]**

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 Directive (EU) 2015/1139 of 13 July 2015 amending Directive 2012/9/EU as regards the date for its transposition and the deadline for the end of the transitional period ⁽¹⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following is added in the first indent of point 3 (Directive 2001/37/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) of Chapter XXV of Annex II to the EEA Agreement:

‘— **32015 L 1139**: Commission Directive (EU) 2015/1139 of 13 July 2015 (OJ L 185, 14.7.2015, p. 15).

The provisions of Directive (EU) 2015/1139 shall, for the purposes of this Agreement, be read with the following adaptations:

In Article 1(1) the words “20 May 2016” shall, as regards the EFTA States, read “the date of the entry into force of the EEA Joint Committee Decision incorporating Directive 2014/40/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council into the EEA Agreement”.

In Article 1(2) the words “20 May 2017” shall, as regards the EFTA States, read “one year after the date of the entry into force of the EEA Joint Committee Decision incorporating Directive 2014/40/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council into the EEA Agreement”.

*Article 2*The text of Directive (EU) 2015/1139 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 19 March 2016, 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, 18 March 2016.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Claude MAERTEN

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 185, 14.7.2015, p. 15.

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.