

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 31/2017

of 3 February 2017

**amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement
[2018/1765]**

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) 2016/1361 of 9 August 2016 on recognition of the 'International Sustainability and Carbon Certification system' for demonstrating compliance with the sustainability criteria under Directives 98/70/EC and 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾, is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1362 of 9 August 2016 on recognition of the 'Roundtable on Sustainable Biomaterials EU RED' for demonstrating compliance with the sustainability criteria under Directives 98/70/EC and 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽²⁾, is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following points are inserted after point 6as (Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/887) of Chapter XVII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement:

- '6at. **32016 D 1361**: Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1361 of 9 August 2016 on recognition of the "International Sustainability and Carbon Certification system" for demonstrating compliance with the sustainability criteria under Directives 98/70/EC and 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 215, 10.8.2016, p. 33).
- 6au. **32016 D 1362**: Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1362 of 9 August 2016 on recognition of the "Roundtable on Sustainable Biomaterials EU RED" for demonstrating compliance with the sustainability criteria under Directives 98/70/EC and 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 215, 10.8.2016, p. 35).'

*Article 2*The texts of Implementing Decisions (EU) 2016/1361 and (EU) 2016/1362 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 4 February 2017, 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, 3 February 2017.

For the EEA Joint Committee

The President

Claude MAERTEN

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 215, 10.8.2016, p. 33.⁽²⁾ OJ L 215, 10.8.2016, p. 35.

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.