

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**No 2/2018****of 9 February 2018****amending the rules of procedure of the EEA Joint Committee [2019/2038]**

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area ('the EEA Agreement'), and in particular Article 92(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Agreement on the participation of the Republic of Croatia in the European Economic Area ⁽¹⁾ ('the 2014 EEA Enlargement Agreement') signed on 11 April 2014, shall amend Article 129(1) of the EEA Agreement to add Croatian to the list of languages of the EEA Agreement.
- (2) In the rules of procedure of the EEA Joint Committee, which were adopted by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 1/94 of 8 February 1994 ⁽²⁾, amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 24/2005 of 8 February 2005 ⁽³⁾, and further amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 1/2018 of 9 February 2018 ⁽⁴⁾, Croatian should be added to the list of languages. Consequently, the list of languages to the rules of procedure of the EEA Joint Committee should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (3) The 2014 EEA Enlargement Agreement has been provisionally applicable to its signatories since 12 April 2014, and this Decision shall therefore apply provisionally pending the entry into force of the 2014 EEA Enlargement Agreement,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 1/94 is amended as follows:

- (1) the text of Article 6(2) is replaced by the following:

'The texts of the EC acts to be integrated into Annexes to the Agreement in accordance with Article 102(1) are equally authentic in the Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish and Swedish languages as published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*. They shall be drawn up in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages and shall be authenticated by the EEA Joint Committee together with the relevant decisions referred to in paragraph 1.;

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 170, 11.6.2014, p. 5.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 85, 30.3.1994, p. 60.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 161, 23.6.2005, p. 54.

⁽⁴⁾ See page 1 of this Official Journal.

(2) the text of Article 11(1) is replaced by the following:

‘Decisions of the EEA Joint Committee amending Annexes or Protocols to the Agreement shall be published in the Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish and Swedish languages in the EEA Section of the *Official Journal of the European Union* and in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages in the EEA Supplement thereto.’

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on 10 February 2018, or on the day of the entry into force of the 2014 EEA Enlargement Agreement, whichever is the later.

It shall apply provisionally from 12 April 2014.

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, 9 February 2018.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Claude MAERTEN
