

## DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 169/2018

of 6 July 2018

**amending Protocol 30 to the EEA Agreement, on specific provisions on the organisation of cooperation in the field of statistics [2021/230]**

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) The EEA statistical programme 2018 to 2020 should be based on Regulation (EU) No 99/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council <sup>(1)</sup> as last amended by Regulation (EU) 2017/1951 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2017 amending Regulation (EU) No 99/2013 on the European statistical programme 2013-17, by extending it to 2020 <sup>(2)</sup>, and should include those programme elements which are necessary for the description and monitoring of all relevant economic, social and environmental aspects of the European Economic Area.
- (2) Regulation (EU) 2017/1951 should be included in Protocol 30 in order to ensure that the cooperation is extended to 2020.
- (3) Protocol 30 to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended in order to allow for that extended cooperation to take place from 1 January 2018,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Protocol 30 to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. the word '2017' in the title of Article 5 is replaced by the word '2020';
2. the following indent is added in Article 5(1):

— **32017 R 1951**: Regulation (EU) 2017/1951 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2017 (OJ L 284, 31.10.2017, p. 1).;

<sup>(1)</sup> Regulation (EU) No 99/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 January 2013 on the European statistical programme 2013-17 (OJ L 39, 9.2.2013, p. 12).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 284, 31.10.2017, p. 1.

3. the words '2013-17' and '31 December 2017' in Article 5(2) are replaced by the words '2013-20' and '31 December 2020';
4. the words '2013 to 2017' in Article 5(3) are replaced by the words '2013 to 2020';
5. the text of Article 5(4) is replaced by the following:

'The EFTA States shall contribute financially in accordance with Article 82(1)(a) of the Agreement and the Financial Regulations thereto to an amount representing 75 per cent of the amount shown in budget lines 29 02 05 (European statistical programme 2013-17) and 29 01 04 05 (Statistical information policy – Expenditure on administrative management) entered in the budget of the European Union for 2013 and to an amount representing 75 per cent of the amount shown in budget lines 29 02 01 (Providing quality statistical information, implementing new methods of production of European statistics and strengthening the partnership within the European Statistical System) and 29 01 04 01 (Support expenditure for the European statistical programme) entered in the budget of the European Union for 2014 to 2020.'

#### *Article 2*

This Decision shall enter into force on 7 July 2018, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (\*).

It shall apply from 1 January 2018.

#### *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, 6 July 2018.

*For the EEA Joint Committee*  
*The President*  
Oda Helen SLETNES

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(\*) No constitutional requirements indicated.