

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE
No 59/2021

of 5 February 2021

amending Annex XI (Electronic communication, audiovisual services and information society) to the EEA Agreement

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) Directive (EU) 2016/2102 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 October 2016 on the accessibility of the websites and mobile applications of public sector bodies¹ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Annex XI to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following is inserted after point 5ob (Regulation (EU) 2015/2120 of the European Parliament and of the Council) of Annex XI to the EEA Agreement:

‘5oc. **32016 L 2102:** Directive (EU) 2016/2102 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 October 2016 on the accessibility of the websites and mobile applications of public sector bodies (OJ L 327, 2.12.2016, p. 1).

The provisions of the Directive shall, for the purposes of this Agreement, be read with the following adaptation:

In Article 12(3), as regards the EFTA States:

- (i) in point (a), the words “23 September 2018” shall read “the date of entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 59/2021 of 5 February 2021”, and the words “23 September 2019” shall read “one year after the date of entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 59/2021 of 5 February 2021”;
- (ii) in point (b), the words “23 September 2020” shall read “two years after the date of entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 59/2021 of 5 February 2021”;
- (iii) in point (c), the words “23 June 2021” shall read “two and a half years after the date of entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 59/2021 of 5 February 2021”.’

¹ OJ L 327, 2.12.2016, p. 1.

Article 2

The text of Directive (EU) 2016/2102 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 6 February 2021, 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, 5 February 2021.

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President*

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* Constitutional requirements indicated.