

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 271/2022**  
**of 23 September 2022**  
**amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms [2023/800]**

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area (“the EEA Agreement”), and in particular Articles 86 and 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) It is appropriate to extend the cooperation of the Contracting Parties to the EEA Agreement to include Decision (EU) 2021/2316 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 December 2021 on a European Year of Youth (2022) <sup>(1)</sup>.
- (2) Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended in order to allow for this extended cooperation to take place from 1 January 2022,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The following paragraph is inserted after paragraph 2r (Regulation (EU) 2021/888 of the European Parliament and of the Council) of Article 4 of Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement:

‘2s. The EFTA States shall, with effect from 1 January 2022, participate in the following action:

- **32021 D 2316**: Decision (EU) 2021/2316 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 December 2021 on a European Year of Youth (2022) (OJ L 462, 28.12.2021, p. 1).’

*Article 2*

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following the last notification under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement \*.

It shall apply from 1 January 2022.

*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, 23 September 2022.

*For the EEA Joint Committee*  
*The President*  
Kristján Andri STEFÁNSSON

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 462, 28.12.2021, p. 1.

<sup>(\*)</sup> No constitutional requirements indicated.