

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
**No 200/2023**

**of 22 September 2023**

**amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) 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) Commission Implementing Directive (EU) 2021/971 of 16 June 2021 amending Annex I to Council Directive 66/401/EEC on the marketing of fodder plant seed, Annex I to Council Directive 66/402/EEC on the marketing of cereal seed, Annex I to Council Directive 2002/54/EC on the marketing of beet seed, Annex I to Council Directive 2002/55/EC on the marketing of vegetable seed and Annex I to Council Directive 2002/57/EC on the marketing of seed of oil and fibre plants, as regards the use of biochemical and molecular techniques<sup>1</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) This Decision concerns legislation regarding phytosanitary matters. Legislation regarding phytosanitary matters shall not apply to Liechtenstein as long as the application of the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products is extended to Liechtenstein, as specified in the sectoral adaptations to Annex I to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.
- (3) Annex I to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The following indent is added in points 2 (Council Directive 66/401/EEC), 3 (Council Directive 66/402/EEC), 11 (Council Directive 2002/54/EC), 12 (Council Directive 2002/55/EC) and 13 (Council Directive 2002/57/EC) of Chapter III of Annex I to the EEA Agreement:

‘- **32021 L 0971**: Commission Implementing Directive (EU) 2021/971 of 16 June 2021 (OJ L 214, 17.6.2021, p. 62).’

*Article 2*

The text of Implementing Directive (EU) 2021/971 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Union*, shall be authentic.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 214, 17.6.2021, p. 62.

*Article 3*

This Decision shall enter into force on 23 September 2023, 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, 22 September 2023.

*For the EEA Joint Committee  
The President*

*Pascal Schafhauser*

*The Secretaries  
To the EEA Joint Committee*

*Siri Veseth Meling*

*Matúš Minárik*

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\* No constitutional requirements indicated.