

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
**No 160/2025**

**of 13 June 2025**

**amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside  
the four freedoms**

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 continue the cooperation of the Contracting Parties to the EEA Agreement in Union actions funded from the general budget of the Union regarding the free movement of workers, coordination of social security schemes and measures for migrants, including migrants from third countries.
- (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 2025,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

In paragraphs 5 and 14 of Article 5 of Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, the words “financial years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024” are replaced by the words “financial years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025”.

*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 2025.

*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, 13 June 2025.

*For the EEA Joint Committee*  
*The President*

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\* No constitutional requirements indicated.

*Nicolas von Lingen*

*The Secretaries  
To the EEA Joint Committee*

*Knut Hermansen*

*Matúš Minárik*

*Not yet published*