

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE****No 237/2017****of 15 December 2017****amending Annex VII (Recognition of professional qualifications) to the EEA Agreement  
[2019/1645]**

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 Regulation (EU) 2015/983 of 24 June 2015 on the procedure for issuance of the European Professional Card and the application of the alert mechanism pursuant to Directive 2005/36/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council <sup>(1)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Annex VII to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The following point is inserted after point 1a (Commission Decision 2007/172/EC) of Annex VII to the EEA Agreement:

- '1b. **32015 R 0983**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/983 of 24 June 2015 on the procedure for issuance of the European Professional Card and the application of the alert mechanism pursuant to Directive 2005/36/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 159, 25.6.2015, p. 27).'

*Article 2*

The text of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/983 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 16 December 2017, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (\*), or on the day of the entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 94/2017 of 5 May 2017 <sup>(2)</sup>, whichever is the later.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 159, 25.6.2015, p. 27.

(\*) No constitutional requirements indicated.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 36, 7.2.2019, p. 52.

*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, 15 December 2017.

*For the EEA Joint Committee*  
*The President*  
Sabine MONAUNI

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