

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 149/2022
of 29 April 2022
amending Annex IX (Financial services) to the EEA Agreement [2022/1593]

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 Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1816 of 17 July 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the explanation in the benchmark statement of how environmental, social and governance factors are reflected in each benchmark provided and published ⁽¹⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1817 of 17 July 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the minimum content of the explanation on how environmental, social and governance factors are reflected in the benchmark methodology ⁽²⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1818 of 17 July 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards minimum standards for EU Climate Transition Benchmarks and EU Paris-aligned Benchmarks ⁽³⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (4) Annex IX to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following is inserted after point 31lrb (Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1275) of Annex IX to the EEA Agreement:

- 31ls. **32020 R 1816:** Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1816 of 17 July 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the explanation in the benchmark statement of how environmental, social and governance factors are reflected in each benchmark provided and published (OJ L 406, 3.12.2020, p. 1).
- 31lt. **32020 R 1817:** Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1817 of 17 July 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the minimum content of the explanation on how environmental, social and governance factors are reflected in the benchmark methodology (OJ L 406, 3.12.2020, p. 12).
- 31lu. **32020 R 1818:** Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1818 of 17 July 2020 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards minimum standards for EU Climate Transition Benchmarks and EU Paris-aligned Benchmarks (OJ L 406, 3.12.2020, p. 17).

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

In paragraph 1 of Article 5, as regards the EFTA States, the words "23 December 2020" shall read "the date of entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 149/2022 of 29 April 2022".

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 406, 3.12.2020, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 406, 3.12.2020, p. 12.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 406, 3.12.2020, p. 17.

Article 2

The texts of Delegated Regulations (EU) 2020/1816, (EU) 2020/1817 and (EU) 2020/1818 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 30 April 2022, 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 151/2022 of 29 April 2022 ⁽⁴⁾, whichever is the later.

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, 29 April 2022.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Nicolas VON LINGEN

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.

⁽⁴⁾ See page 114 of this Official Journal