

# DECISIONS

## COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2021/1822

of 15 October 2021

### on the appointment of the Chair of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Securities and Markets Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/77/EC <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 48(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 48(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010, which was amended by Regulation (EU) 2019/2175 of the European Parliament and of the Council <sup>(2)</sup>, on the basis of a shortlist of qualified candidates drawn up by the ESMA's Board of Supervisors, the Council shall adopt a decision to appoint the Chairperson, after confirmation by the European Parliament.
- (2) On 26 November 2020, the Council received the shortlist of three candidates selected by the ESMA's Board of Supervisors for the position of ESMA Chair.
- (3) On 11 December 2020, the three candidates were interviewed by the Presidency on behalf of the Member States.
- (4) On 22 September 2021, the Permanent Representatives Committee agreed on one of the shortlisted candidates for the position of ESMA Chair: Ms Verena ROSS.
- (5) On 29 September 2021, the Council sent a letter to the European Parliament stating that, should the European Parliament confirm Ms Verena ROSS for the position of Chairperson of ESMA, the Council would adopt a decision to appoint her as the Chairperson of ESMA.
- (6) On 5 October 2021, the European Parliament confirmed Ms Verena ROSS for the position of Chairperson of ESMA,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

Ms Verena ROSS is hereby appointed as Chair of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) for a period of 5 years from 1 November 2021.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 84.

<sup>(2)</sup> Regulation (EU) 2019/2175 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2019 amending Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Banking Authority), Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority), Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Securities and Markets Authority), Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 on markets in financial instruments, Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 on indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments and financial contracts or to measure the performance of investment funds, and Regulation (EU) 2015/847 on information accompanying transfers of funds (OJ L 334, 27.12.2019, p. 1).

*Article 2*

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Luxembourg, 15 October 2021.

*For the Council*  
*The President*  
J. CIGLER KRALJ

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