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President: Ambassador Atle Leikvoll (EFTA)

EU Chairman: Mr Gianluca Grippa (European External Action Service)

Draft agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda
 2. Approval of the minutes of the 177th EEA Joint Committee meeting of 13 July 2012
 3. Minutes of the Subcommittees I-II-III-IV meetings of 3 July 2012 and 18 September 2012
 4. Decisions
- Decision No 153/2012 amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) & Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Implementing Decision 2011/898/EU (transitional measures under EP & Council Regulations (EC) No 852/2004 and (EC) No 853/2004 as regard the processing of non-compliant raw milk in certain milk-processing establishments in Romania and the structural requirements of such establishments), Commission Implementing Decision 2011/899/EU (transitional measures under EP & Council Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 as regard the processing of non-compliant raw milk in certain milk-processing establishments in Bulgaria), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 739/2011 (laying down specific rules for the organisation of official controls on products of animal origin intended for human consumption), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1109/2011 (equivalent methods for Trichinella testing)
 - Decision No 154/2012 amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Implementing Decision 2011/648/EU (inclusion of Belgium in the list of Member States free of Aujeszky's disease), Commission Implementing Decision 2011/879/EU (animal health conditions governing intra-Community trade in, and imports from third countries of, poultry and hatching eggs), Commission Implementing Decision 2012/112/EU (model health certificates for animals from holdings and animals, semen, ova and embryos from approved bodies, institutes or centres)
 - Decision No 155/2012 amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Recommendation 2011/25/EU (guidelines for the distinction between feed materials, feed additives, biocidal products and veterinary medicinal products)

- Decision No 156/2012 amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Regulation (EU) No 130/2012 (type-approval requirements for motor vehicles with regard to vehicle access and manoeuvrability and implementing EP & Council Regulation (EC) No 661/2009 concerning type-approval requirements for the general safety of motor vehicles, their trailers and systems, components and separate technical units intended therefore)
- Decision No 157/2012 amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Regulation (EU) No 64/2012 (emissions from heavy duty vehicles (Euro VI)), Commission Regulation 65/2012/EC (gear shift indicators and amending EP & Council Directive 2007/46/EC)
- Decision No 158/2012 amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement – EP & Council Regulation (EU) No 1007/2011 (textile fibre names and related labelling and marking of the fibre composition of textile products and repealing Council Directive 73/44/EEC and EP & Council Directives 96/73/EC and 2008/121/EC)
- Decision No 159/2012 amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 84/2012 (pharmacologically active substances and their classification regarding maximum residue limits in foodstuffs of animal origin, as regards the substance phenoxymethylpenicillin), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 85/2012 (pharmacologically active substances and their classification regarding maximum residue limits in foodstuffs of animal origin, as regards the substance altrenogest), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 86/2012 (pharmacologically active substances and their classification regarding maximum residue limits in foodstuffs of animal origin, as regards the substance lasalocid), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 107/2012 (pharmacologically active substances and their classification regarding maximum residue limits in foodstuffs of animal origin, as regards the substance octenidine dihydrochloride), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 122/2012 (pharmacologically active substances and their classification regarding maximum residue limits in foodstuffs of animal origin, as regards the substance methylprednisolone), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 123/2012 (pharmacologically active substances and their classification regarding maximum residue limits in foodstuffs of animal origin, as regards the substance monepantel), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 201/2012 (pharmacologically active substances and their classification regarding maximum residue limits in foodstuffs of animal origin, as regards the substance nitroxinil), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 202/2012 (pharmacologically active substances and their classification regarding maximum residue limits in foodstuffs of animal origin, as regards the substance pegylated bovine granulocyte colony stimulating factor)
- Decision No 160/2012 amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement - Commission Regulation (EU) No 273/2012 (adjustment of the fees of the European Medicines Agency to the inflation rate)
- Decision No 161/2012 amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Regulation (EU) No 223/2012 (fertilisers for the purposes of adapting Annexes I and IV thereto to technical progress)
- Decision No 162/2012 amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Decision 2012/77/EU (non-inclusion of flufenoxuron for product type 18 in Annex I, IA or IB to EP & Council Directive 98/8/EC concerning the placing of biocidal products on the market), Commission Decision 2012/78/EU (non-inclusion of certain substances in Annex I, IA or IB to EP & Council Directive 98/8/EC concerning the placing of biocidal products on the market), Commission Directive 2012/2/EU (inclusion of copper (II) oxide, copper (II) hydroxide and basic copper carbonate as active substances in Annex I thereto), Commission Directive 2012/3/EU (inclusion of bendiocarb as an active substance in Annex I thereto)

- Decision No 163/2012 amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Regulation (EU) No 109/2012 (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) as regards Annex XVII (CMR substances)), Commission Regulation (EU) No 125/2012 (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals ('REACH'))
- Decision No 164/2012 amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Decision 2009/886/EC (common technical specifications for in vitro diagnostic medical devices), Commission Decision 2011/869/EU (common technical specifications for in vitro diagnostic medical devices), Commission Directive 2011/100/EU (in-vitro diagnostic medical devices)
- Decision No 165/2012 amending Annex VI (Social Security) to the EEA Agreement – Decision No E3 (concerning the transitional period as defined in Article 95 of EP & Council Regulation (EC) No 987/2009)
- Decision No 166/2012 amending Annex VI (Social Security) to the EEA Agreement – Decision No U4 (reimbursement procedures under Article 65(6) and (7) of Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 and Article 70 of Regulation (EC) No 987/2009)
- Decision No 167/2012 amending Annex IX (Financial Services) to the EEA Agreement – EP & Council Directive 2010/73/EU (prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading and 2004/109/EC on the harmonisation of transparency requirements in relation to information about issuers whose securities are admitted to trading on a regulated market)
- Decision No 168/2012 amending Annex IX (Financial Services) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Directive 2010/43/EU (organisational requirements, conflicts of interest, conduct of business, risk management and content of the agreement between a depositary and a management company), Commission Directive 2010/44/EU (certain provisions concerning fund mergers, master-feeder structures and notification procedure), Commission Regulation (EU) No 583/2010 (key investor information and conditions to be met when providing key investor information or the prospectus in a durable medium other than paper or by means of a website), Commission Regulation (EU) No 584/2010 (form and content of the standard notification letter and UCITS attestation, the use of electronic communication between competent authorities for the purpose of notification, and procedures for on-the-spot verifications and investigations and the exchange of information between competent authorities)
- Decision No 169/2012 amending Annex XI (Electronic communication, audiovisual services and information society) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Implementing Decision 2011/251/EU (harmonisation of the 900 MHz and 1 800 MHz frequency bands for terrestrial systems capable of providing pan-European electronic communications services in the Community)
- Decision No 170/2012 amending Annex XI (Electronic communication, audiovisual services and information society) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Decision 2009/978/EU (Radio Spectrum Policy Group)
- Decision No 171/2012 amending Annex XI (Electronic communication, audiovisual services and information society) to the EEA Agreement – EP & Council Regulation (EU) No 580/2011 (European Network and Information Security Agency as regards its duration)
- Decision No 172/2012 amending Annex XI (Electronic communication, audiovisual services and information society) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Implementing Decision 2011/485/EU (Harmonisation of the 24GHz radio spectrum band for the time-limited use by automotive short-range radar equipment in the Community)
- Decision No 173/2012 amending Annex XI (Electronic communication, audiovisual services and information society) to the EEA Agreement – EP & Council Regulation (EU) No 531/2012 (roaming on public mobile communications networks within the Union (Recast))

- Decision No 174/2012 amending Annex XI (Electronic communication, audiovisual services and information society) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Recommendation 2011/750/EU (support for an EU-wide eCall service in electronic communication networks for the transmission of in-vehicle emergency calls based on 112 ('eCalls'))
- Decision No 175/2012 amending Annex XI (Electronic communication, audiovisual services and information society) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Recommendation 2010/572/EU (Next Generation Access Networks (NGA))
- Decision No 176/2012 amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Decision 2011/291/EU (technical specification for interoperability relating to the rolling stock subsystem — 'Locomotives and passenger rolling stock' of the trans-European conventional rail system)
- Decision No 177/2012 amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Regulation (EU) No 454/2011 (technical specification for interoperability relating to the subsystem 'telematics applications for passenger services' of the trans-European rail system)
- Decision No 178/2012 amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1087/2011 (laying down detailed measures for the implementation of the common basic standards on aviation security in respect of explosive detection systems), Commission Regulation (EU) No 1141/2011 (supplementing the common basic standards on civil aviation security as regards the use of security scanners at EU airports)
- Decision No 179/2012 amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Decision 2011/8042/EU (laying down detailed measures for the implementation of the common basic standards on aviation security as regards the use of security scanners at EU airports), Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1147/2011 (common basic standards on civil aviation security as regards the use of security scanners at EU airports)
- Decision No 180/2012 amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Regulation (EU) No 1149/2011 (continuing airworthiness of aircraft and aeronautical products, parts and appliances, and on the approval of organisations and personnel involved in these tasks)
- Decision No 181/2012 amending Annex XIX (Consumer protection) to the EEA Agreement – EP & Council Directive 2011/83/EU (consumer rights, amending Council Directive 93/13/EEC and EP & Council Directive 1999/44/EC and repealing Council Directive 85/577/EEC and EP & Council Directive 97/7/EC)
- Decision No 182/2012 amending Annex XIX (Consumer protection) to the EEA Agreement – EP & Council Regulation (EU) No 954/2011 (cooperation between national authorities responsible for the enforcement of consumer protection laws)
- Decision No 183/2012 amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Implementing Decision 2011/631/EU (questionnaire to be used for reporting on the implementation of EP & Council Directive 2008/1/EC concerning integrated pollution prevention and control)
- Decision No 184/2012 amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Decision 2011/740/EU (prolongation of the validity of the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel to certain products)
- Decision No 185/2012 amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Regulation (EU) No 606/2010 (approval of a simplified tool developed by the European organisation for air safety navigation (Eurocontrol) to estimate the fuel consumption of certain small emitting aircraft operators)
- Decision No 186/2012 amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Decision 2011/92/EU (introduction of the questionnaire to be used for the first

report on the implementation of EP & Council Directive 2009/31/EC on the geological storage of carbon dioxide)

- Decision No 187/2012 amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Directive 2011/37/EU (end-of-life vehicles)
- Decision No 188/2012 amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Delegated Decision 2012/186/EU (statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea)
- Decision No 189/2012 amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Regulation (EU) No 349/2011 (public health and health and safety at work, as regards statistics on accidents at work)
- Decision No 190/2012 amending Protocol 47 (on the abolition of technical barriers to trade in wine) to the EEA Agreement – Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 670/2011 (laying down certain detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 479/2008 as regards protected designations of origin and geographical indications, traditional terms, labelling and presentation of certain wine sector products)

5. Monitoring of outstanding legal acts

6. Other business

- EEA EFTA Comment on the proposal for a Directive amending Directive 2005/36/EC on the recognition of professional qualifications
- EEA EFTA Comment on the partial general approach on the Programme for the Competitiveness of enterprises and SMEs (COSME) 2014-2020, as agreed during the Competitiveness Council meeting on 30 May 2012
- Proposal by the Norwegian Government to change customs duties for certain agricultural products