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## PROPOSAL

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From: Secretary-General of the European Commission,  
signed by Mr Jordi AYET PUIGARNAU, Director

date of receipt: 11 March 2016

To: Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN, Secretary-General of the Council of  
the European Union

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Subject: ANNEX DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No .../2016 of  
amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific  
fields outside the four freedoms to the proposal for a Council Decision on  
the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the  
EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA  
Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms  
(Budget Line 12.02.01)

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**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No .../2016  
of  
amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside  
the four freedoms**

**to the**

**proposal for a Council Decision**

**on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint  
Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on  
cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms  
(Budget Line 12.02.01)**

## ANNEX

### DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No .../2016 of 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 European Union regarding the implementation and development of the single market for financial services.
- (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 2016,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### *Article 1*

Article 7 of Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. In paragraphs 3 and 4, the words “paragraphs 5 to [11]” are replaced by the words “this Article”.
2. The following paragraph is added:
  - ‘12. The EFTA States shall, as from 1 January 2016, participate in the Union actions related to the following budget line, entered into the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2016:
    - **Budget line 12 02 01:** “Implementation and development of the single market for financial services”.’

#### *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 2016.

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\* [No constitutional requirements indicated.] [Constitutional requirements indicated.]

*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, .

*For the EEA Joint Committee  
The President*

*The Secretaries  
to the EEA Joint Committee*