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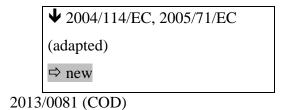
At its meeting held on 1 October, the Working Party on Integration, Migration and Expulsion had a exchange of views on the Presidency's compromise suggestions.

The results of the discussions are set out in the Annex to this document, with delegations comments in the footnotes.

New text to the Commission proposal is indicated by <u>underlining</u> the insertion and including it within Council tags: \bigcirc _ \bigcirc ; deleted text is indicated within underlined square brackets as follows: \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc .

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on the conditions of admission ⇒ entry and residence ← of third-country nationals for the purposes of ⊠ research, ⊠ studies, pupil exchange, ⇒ remunerated and ← unremunerated training or, voluntary service ⇒ and au pairing ← 1

AT and CZ questioned why to put so very different groups together in one single legislative act, both preferring to keep two different directives like it is currently the case. Furthermore, CZ considered that a new directive is not necessary to increase attractiveness of employment in fields that require higher education and research. Alternatively, CZ was of the opinion that this proposal should deal only with stays on the basis of residence permits and not on the basis of long-stay visas, which remain a national competence. AT also had doubts about whether Article 79 of the TFEU is a sufficient legal base or whether Article 153 should not be a better legal base.

Council's Legal Service replied that Article 79 provides a sufficient and appropriate legal base and that this approach has been followed regarding ICT and SW Directives. AT, DE, CY stated that Member States should retain control over their labour markets. AT wanted prevention of fraud, abuses and circumventions to be addressed

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more in detail in the proposal.

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AT, NL, CZ, HU, PL, PT, LV, SI, EE, SE, BE, BG, LU, IT, SK, FI, EL, LT, RO, ES, FR: general scrutiny reservations. AT, CZ, HU, PL: parliamentary scrutiny reservations. SE, IT, SK, LT: linguistic reservations.

on a specific procedure for admitting third-country nationals for the purposes of scientific research

[RECAST]

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty \boxtimes on the Functioning of the European Union \boxtimes establishing the European Community, and in particular points \cong (a) \boxtimes and (b) \cong (4)(b)of the first subparagraph of Article \cong 79(2) \cong thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

After transmission of the draft legislative act to the national Parliaments,

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee,

Having regard to the Opinion of the Committee of the Regions,

Acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure,

Whereas:²

ES suggested the inclusion of a new recital, covering cases in which Member States conclude agreements that do not fall within the scope of this proposal.

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- (1) A number of amendements are to be made to Council Directive 2004/114/EC of 13 December 2004 on the conditions of admission of third-country nationals for the purposes of studies, pupil exchange, unremunerated training or voluntary service³ and Council Directive 2005/71/EC of 12 October 2005 on a specific procedure for admitting third-country nationals for the purposes of scientific research⁴. In the interests of clarity, those Directives should be recast.
- (2) This Directive should respond to the need identified in the implentation reports of the two Directives⁵ to remedy the identified weaknesses, and to offer a coherent legal framework for different groups coming to the Union from third countries. It should therefore simplify and streamline the existing provisions for the different groups in a single instrument. Despite differences between the groups covered by this Directive, they also share a number of characteristics which makes it possible to address them through a common legal framework at Union level.
- (3) This Directive should contribute to the Stockholm Programme's aim to approximate national legislation on the conditions for entry and residence of third-country nationals. Immigration from outside the Union is one source of highly skilled people, and in particular students and researchers are increasingly sought after. They play an important role to form the Union's key asset human capital in ensuring smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, and therefore contribute to the achievement of the objectives of the Europe 2020 Strategy.

OJ L 375, 23.12.2004, p. 12.

OJ L 289, 3.11.2005, p. 15.

⁵ COM(2011) 587 final and COM(2011) 901 final

(4) The shortcomings highlighted in the implementation reports of the two Directives concern mainly admission conditions, rights, procedural safeguards, students' access to the labour market during studies, intra-Union mobility provisions as well as a lack of harmonization, as coverage of some groups, such as volunteers, school pupils and unremunerated trainees was left optional to Member States. Subsequent wider consultations have also pointed to the need for better job-seeking possibilities for researchers and students and better protection of au-pairs and remunerated trainees which are not covered by the current instruments.⁶

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 1

(5) For the gradual establishment of an area of freedom, security and justice, the Treaty provides for measures to be adopted in the fields of asylum, immigration and the protection of the rights of third-country nationals.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 2 (adapted)

The Treaty provides that the Council is to adopt measures on immigration policy relating to conditions of entry and residence, and standards on procedures for the issue by Member States of long-term visas and residence permits.

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AT: scrutiny reservation. NL, BE wanted this recital to be re-drafted since the fact that some categories are optional should not be considered as "shortcomings".

♦ 2004/114/EC recital 3 (adapted)

At its special meeting at Tampere on 15 and 16 October 1999, the European Council acknowledged the need for approximation of national legislation on the conditions for admission and residence of third-country nationals and asked the Council to rapidly adopt decisions on the basis of proposals by the Commission.

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(6) This Directive should also aim at fostering people-to-people contacts and mobility, as important elements of the Union's external policy, notably vis-à-vis the countries of the European Neighbourhood Policy or the Union's strategic partners. It should allow for a better contribution to the Global Approach to Migration and Mobility and its Mobility Partnerships which offer a concrete framework for dialogue and cooperation between the Member States and third countries, including in facilitating and organizing legal migration.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 6 (adapted)

One of the objectives of Community action in the field of education is to promote Europe as a whole as a world centre of excellence for studies and vocational training. Promoting the mobility of third-country nationals to the Community for the purpose of studies is a key factor in that strategy. The approximation of the Member States' national legislation on conditions of entry and residence is part of this.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 7 (adapted)

⇒ new

(7) Migration for the purposes set out in this Directive is by definition temporary and does not depend on the labour-market situation in the host country,. ⇒ should promote the generation and acquisition of knowledge and skills. ⇔ ☒ It ☒ constitutes a form of mutual enrichment for the migrants concerned, their country of origin and the host Member State and helps to promote better familiarity among cultures.

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(8) This Directive should promote the Union as an attractive location for research and innovation and advance the Union in the global competition for talent. Opening the Union up to third-country nationals who may be admitted for the purposes of research is also part of the Innovation Union flagship initiative. Creating an open labour market for Union researchers and for researchers from third countries was also affirmed as a key aim of the European Research Area (ERA), a unified area, in which researchers, scientific knowldedge and technology circulate freely.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 5 (adapted)

This Directive is intended to contribute to achieving these goals by fostering the admission and mobility for research purposes of third-country nationals for stays of more than three months, in order to make the Community more attractive to researchers from around the world and to boost its position as an international centre for research.

▶ 2004/114/EC recital 9 (adapted)

The new Community rules are based on definitions of student, trainee, educational establishment and volunteer already in use in Community law, in particular in the various Community programmes to promote the mobility of the relevant persons (Socrates, European Voluntary Service etc.).

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 11

Third-country nationals who fall into the categories of unremunerated trainees and volunteers and who are considered, by virtue of their activities or the kind of compensation or remuneration received, as workers under national legislation are not covered by this Directive. The admission of third-country nationals who intend to carry out specialisation studies in the field of medicine should be determined by the Member States.

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(9)It is appropriate to facilitate the admission of researchers by establishing ⇒ through ⇔ an admission procedure which does not depend on their legal relationship with the host research organisation and by no longer requiring a work permit in addition to a residence permit ⇒ or a long-stay visa ← . Member States could apply similar rules for third-country nationals requesting admission for the purposes of teaching in a higher education establishment in accordance with national legislation or administrative practice, in the context of a research project. The 🖾 This 🖾 specific admission procedure for researchers should be based on collaboration between the research organisations and the immigration authorities in the Member States. It should give the former a key role in the admission procedure with a view to facilitating and speeding up the entry and residence of third-country researchers in the Community ☑ Union ☑ while preserving Member States' prerogatives with respect to immigration policing ⊠ policy ⊠. Research organisations approved in advance by the Member States should be able to sign a hosting agreement with a third-country national for the purposes of carrying out a research $\supset [...] \subset \supset$ activity⁸ \subset . Member States should issue a residence permit ⇒ an authorisation ⇔ on the basis of the hosting agreement if the conditions for entry and residence are met.⁹

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ES suggested an addition allowing researchers to carry out their research activity not only on the basis of a "hosting agreement" but also on the basis of a "*employment contract*".

HU pointed out a drafting inconsistency since "research project" has been changed into "research activity" throughout the text but in Article 3(b) where "research project" is still used. AT preferred "research project", since it is narrower, in order to limit abuse as much as possible.

AT, FI: scrutiny reservation.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 9 (adapted)

(10) As the effort to be made to achieve the said 3 % target ☒ of investing 3 % of GDP in research ☒ largely concerns the private sector, which must therefore recruit more researchers in the years to come, the research organisations potentially eligible ☒ that can be approved ☒ under this Directive ☒ should ☒ belong to either the public or private sectors.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 15 (adapted)

⇒ new

In order to make the Community
□ Union □ more attractive □ □ for □ third-country □ national □ researchers, □ family members of researchers, as defined in Council Directive 2003/86/EC of 22 September 2003 on the right to family reunification □, □ they should be granted, during their stay, equal social and economic rights with nationals of the host Member State in a number of areas and the possibility to teach in higher education establishments □ should be admitted with them. They should benefit from intra- Union mobility provisions and they should also have access to the labour market □.

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OJ L 251, 3.10.2003, p. 12.

EL, AT, SK: scrutiny reservation concerning right of researcher's family members to have access to the labour market.

(12) Where appropriate, Member States should be encouraged to treat PhD candidates¹² as researchers.

▶ 2005/71/EC recital 6 (adapted)

(13) Implementation of this Directive should not encourage a brain drain from emerging or developing countries. Back-upMeasures to support researchers' reintegration into their countries of origin as well as the movement of researchers should be taken in partnership with the countries of origin with a view to establishing a comprehensive migration policy.

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(14) In order to promote Europe as a whole as a world centre of excellence for studies and training, the conditions for entry and residence of those who wish to come to the Union for these purposes should be improved. This is in line with the objectives of the Agenda for the modernisation of Europe's higher education systems¹³, in particular within the context of the internationalisation of European higher education. The approximation of the Member States' relevant national legislation is part of this endeavour.

SE, LU, BE, ES, AT: scrutiny reservation on the meaning of PhD candidate.

¹³ COM(2011) 567 final



Declaration and deepening of the Bologna process launched through the Bologna Declaration has led to the progressive convergence of higher education systems in participating countries but also beyond them. This is because national authorities have supported the mobility of students and academic staff, and higher education $\bigcirc [...] \bigcirc$ institutions have integrated it in their curricula. This needs to be reflected through improved intra-Union mobility provisions for students. Making European higher education attractive and competitive is one of the objectives of the Bologna declaration. The Bologna process led to the establishment of the European Higher Education Area. Streamlining the European higher education sector has made it more attractive for students who are third-country nationals to study in Europe.

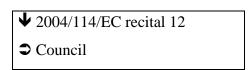
◆ 2004/114/EC recital 10

(16) The duration and other conditions of preparatory courses for students covered by this Directive should be determined by Member States in accordance with their national legislation.

AT, DE, ES: scrutiny reservation.

FR welcomed this insertion.

Joint declaration of the European Ministers of Education of 19 June 1999



(17) Evidence of acceptance of a student by a $\bigcirc \underline{\lceil ... \rceil}$ higher education $\bigcirc \underline{\text{institution}}^{16}$ could include, among other possibilities, a letter or certificate confirming his/her enrolment.

(18) Fellowships may ⇒ should ⇔ be taken into account in assessing the availability of sufficient resources.

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[೨] [೨] Member States ೨ should have ℂ ೨[...] ℂ discretion on whether or not to apply ೨ this ℂ Directive ೨[...] ℂ to school pupils, volunteers and unremunerated trainees, ೨[...] ℂ in order to facilitate their entry and residence and ensure their rights. ೨ Member States could also apply ℂ this Directive ೨[...] ℂ to au-pairs and remunerated trainees, in order to ensure their ೨[...] ℂ rights and protection.] 17

AT: scrutiny reservation.

ES: scrutiny reservation. AT welcomed the re-wording of this recital as well as the one in recitals 20a and 21.

- (20) Remunerated trainees who come to work in the Union in the context of an intracorporate transfer should not be covered by this Directive, as they fall under the scope of [Directive 2013/xx/EU on intra-corporate transfers].
- Third-country nationals who have acquired long-term resident status in accordance with Council Directive 2003/109/EC of 25 November 2003 on the status of third-country nationals who are long-term residents should not be covered by this Directive given their more privileged status and their specific types of residence permit ("long-term resident-EU").

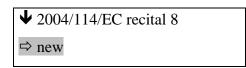
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- Once all the general and specific conditions for admission are fulfilled, Member States should issue an authorisation, i.e. a long stay visa $\sum [...] \mathbb{C}$ or $\sum a \mathbb{C}$ residence permit, within specified time limits. If a Member State issues a residence permit on its territory only and all the conditions of this Directive relating to admission are fulfilled, the Member State should grant the third-country national concerned the requisite visas.

FR pointed out that the content of this recital is already dealt with in an article of the proposal, so wondered whether the recital is necessary.

ES: scrutiny reservation.

Council of Europe European Agreement on "au pair" Placement, Article 8

- Authorisations should mention the status of the third-country national concerned [...] . Member States may indicate additional information in paper format or electronically, as well as respective [bilateral or multilateral] programmes including mobility measures revised this does not amount to additional conditions.
- (24) The different periods of duration regarding authorisations under this Directive should reflect the specific nature of the stay of each group.
- (25) Member States may charge applicants for $\bigcirc [...] \subset \bigcirc \underline{\text{handling}^{22}} \subset \underline{\text{applications}}$ for authorisations. The fees should be proportionate to the purpose of the stay.
- (26) The rights granted to third-country nationals under this Directive should not depend on whether the authorisation is in the form of a long stay visa or a residence permit.



(27) The term admission covers the entry and residence of third-country nationals

in a Member State,

for the purposes set out in this Directive.

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AT, HU: scrutiny reservation.

AT asked what was the background for the inclusion of the new wording "handling".

PRES answered that this term is the one used in other directives, so PRES wanted to align this proposal with those directives.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 14
(adapted)
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Admission may be refused on duly justified grounds. In particular, admission could be refused if a Member State considers, based on an assessment of the facts, ⇒ in an individual case, ⇔ that the third-country national concerned is a potential threat to public policy ⊕ public security ⇒ or public health ⇔. The notion of public policy may cover a conviction for committing a serious crime. In this context it has to be noted that the notions of public policy and public security also cover cases in which a third-country national belongs or has belonged to an association which supports terrorism, supports or has supported such an association, or has or has had extremist aspirations. ⊃ ⊃ [...] ♥ ♥²³

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FR accepted that it was interesting for Member States to define in their national law the meaning of public policy and public security, but reminded that it had also proposed to have a reference to the "threat of industrial espionage" here. PRES answered that nothing prevented FR from defining what it means at national level.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 15	_
(adapted)	

In case of doubts concerning the grounds of the application of ⊠ for ⊠ admission, Member States should be able to require all the evidence necessary to assess its coherence, in particular on the basis of the applicant's proposed ⊠ intended ⊠ studies ⊠ or training ⊠, in order to fight against abuse and misuse of the procedure set out in this Directive.



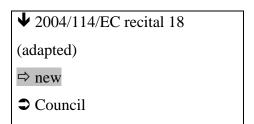
National authorities should inform third-country nationals who apply for admission to the Member States under this Directive of a decision on the application. They should do so in writing as soon as possible and, at the latest within ⊃[...] ⊂ ⊃[90] ⊂ days, ⊃[...] ⊂ starting from the date of the application.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 16
(adapted)
⇒ new
⊃ Council

The ★ intra-Union ★ mobility of students who are third-country ★ national researchers, students and remunerated trainees ★ studying in several Member States should be facilitated as must the admission of third-country nationals participating in Community programmes to promote mobility within and towards the Community for the purposes set out in this Directive. ➡ For researchers, this Directive should improve the rules relating to the period for which the authorisation granted by the first Member State should cover stays in a second Member State without requiring a new hosting agreement. Improvements should be made regarding the situation of students, and the new group of remunerated trainees, by allowing them to stay in a second Member State for periods lasting between three and six months, provided that they fulfil the general conditions laid down in this Directive. ➡ [...] ♥ ➡

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Union immigration rules and Union programmes including mobility measures should complement each other more. Third-country national researchers and students covered by such Union programmes should be entitled to move to the Member States foreseen on the basis of the authorisation granted by the first Member State, as long as the full list of those Member States is known before entry into the Union. Such an authorisation should allow them to exercise mobility without the need to provide any additional information or to complete any other application procedures. Member States are encouraged to facilitate the intra-Union mobility of third-country national volunteers where volunteering programmes cover more than one Member State.



In order to allow ★ third-country national ★ students who are third-country nationals to ➡ better ⇐ cover part of the cost of their studies, they should be given ➡ increased ⇐ access to the labour market under the conditions set out in this Directive ➡ , meaning a minimum of ♠ [...] ♠ ♠ [15] ♠ hours per week ⇐. The principle of access for students to the labour market under the conditions set out in this ₱ Directive should be a general rule. However, in exceptional circumstances Member States should be able to take into account the situation of their national labour markets ➡ ♠ [...] ♠ ♠ .25

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ES, DE, AT suggested to delete the mention to exceptional circumstances and the remaining of the sentece to be inserted in the operative part of the text.

ES: reservation. CZ wondered whether it is necessary to state the minimum number of hours of work per week since this raises the question on how to consider the work of students with a duration lower than that minimum. FR pointed out that it was in favour of establishing a "maximum number of hours" of work per week.

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- As part of the drive to ensure a well-qualified workforce for the future, Member States should allow students who graduate in the Union to remain on their territory with the intention to identify work opportunities or to set up a business for ⊃ [...] ⊂ ⊃ at least [6] ⊂ months after expiry of the initial authorisation. They should also allow researchers to do so upon completion of their research ⊃ [...] ⊂ ⊃ activity ⊂ as defined in the hosting agreement. This should not amount to an automatic right of access to the labour market or to set up a business. They may be requested to provide evidence in accordance with Article 24.²⁶
- States related to treatment of third-country nationals covered by this Directive with respect to worker's status. Therefore provisions of this Directive related to worker's status, including social rights and without prejudice to special provisions related to researchers and students, should be applied to the third-country nationals only in case they are considered to be workers according to the national law or practice of the Member State concerned. ©27
- (35) The provisions of this Directive are without prejudice to the competence of the Member States to regulate the volumes of admission of third-country nationals for the purpose of work.²⁸

EL: scrutiny reservation. ES, AT proposed to submit a text to improve this recital.

AT, BE, FR, ES: scrutiny reservation. **FR** pointed out that this recital is a paradox since the Single Permit Directive allows Member States to set their own quotas. **CZ** supported the wording of this recital. **CION** shared to a certain extent what the inclusion of this recital is seeking but stated a reservation on the wording of the recital nonetheless.

DE, AT suggested to include this recital in the operative part of the text. It should be made clear that zero, regional and sector-specific quotals should be permitted. CION expressed its reservation to use the quotas for students since their main purpose is to study and not to work.

(36)To make the Union more attractive for third-country national researchers, students, pupils, \bigcirc remunerated or unremunerated \bigcirc trainees, volunteers and au pairs, it is important to ensure their fair treatment in accordance with Article 79 of the Treaty. ○ [...] ○ Students should continue to be covered by ○ Directive 2011/98/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on a single application procedure for a single permit for third-country nationals to reside and work in the territory of a Member State and on a common set of rights for third-country workers legally residing in a Member State²⁹ **3**, with the possible exceptions that apply under that Directive \bigcirc . More favourable rights to equal treatment with nationals of the host Member State as regards branches of social security as defined in Regulation No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security schemes should be maintained for third-country national researchers, in addition to the rights granted under Directive 2011/98/EU. Currently the latter foresees a possibility for Member States to limit equal treatment with regard to branches of social security, including family benefits, and this possibility of limitation could affect researchers. \supseteq Equal treatment under Directive 2011/98/EU should also apply to other categories of thirdcountry nationals falling under the scope of this Directive, when they are authorised to work under Union or national law. © In addition, independently on whether Union or national law of the host Member State gives third-country national school pupils, volunteers, unremunerated 🗢 and remunerated 🗲 trainees and au-pairs access to the labour market, they should enjoy equal treatment rights with nationals of the host Member State as regards access to goods and services and the supply of goods and services made available to the public.³⁰

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OJ L 343, 23.12.2011, p. 1.

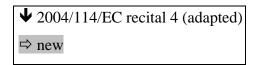
DE, AT, FR, SI, SK, PL, IT: scrutiny reservation. IT, ES presented a reservation on this recital. CZ supported the wording of this recital.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 23

(37) This Directive should not in any circumstances affect the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1030/2002 of 13 June 2002 laying down a uniform format for residence permits for third-country nationals³¹.

♦ 2005/71/EC recital 22 (adapted)

This Directive should not affect in any circumstances the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1030/2002 of 13 June 2002 laying down a uniform format for residence permits for third-country nationals²².



(38) This Directive respects the fundamental rights and observes the principles recognised by the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, as referred to in Article 6 of the Treaty on European Union ←.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 25 (adapted)

This Directive respects the fundamental rights and observes the principles recognised in particular by the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union.

32 OJ L 157, 15.6.2002, p. 1.

OJ L 157, 15.6.2002, p. 1.

♦ 2004/114/EC rec	ital 5
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(39) The Member States should give effect to the provisions of this Directive without discrimination on the basis of sex, race, colour, ethnic or social origin, genetic features, language, religion or belief, political or any other opinions, membership of a national minority, property, birth, disability, age or sexual orientation.³³

▶ 2005/71/EC recital 24 (adapted)

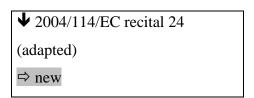
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(40) In accordance with the Joint Political Declaration of Member States and the Commission on explanatory documents of 28 September 2011, Member States have undertaken to accompany, in justified cases, the notification of their transposition measures with one or more documents explaining the relationship between the components of a directive and the corresponding parts of national transposition instruments. With regard to this Directive, the legislator considers the transmission of such documents to be justified.³⁴

NL pointed out that in its opinion the words "property" and "age" could give rise to legal problems, so it suggested to delete such terms from the recital.

LV considered premature the inclusion of the statement that the "transmission of such documents to be justified" for this Directive, since the assessment has not been carried out yet.



Since the objective of this Directive, namely to determine the conditions of admission

i entry and residence i of third-country nationals for the purposes of

i research i study, pupil exchange, unremunerated i or remunerated i training,

voluntary service i or au pairing i, cannot be sufficiently achieved by the Member

States and can, by reason of its scale or effects, be better achieved at Community

i Union i level, the Community i Union i may adopt measures, in accordance

with the principle of subsidiarity as set out in Article 5 of the Treaty. In accordance

with the principle of proportionality as set out in that article, this Directive does not go

beyond what is necessary to achieve that objective. 35

♦ 2005/71/EC recital 23 (adapted)

The objectives of this Directive, namely the introduction of a special admission procedure and the adoption of conditions of entry and residence applicable to third-country nationals for stays of more than three months in the Member States for the purposes of conducting a research project under a hosting agreement with a research organisation, cannot be sufficiently achieved by the Member States, especially as regards ensuring mobility between Member States, and can therefore be better achieved by the Community. The Community is therefore entitled to take measures in accordance with the subsidiarity principle laid down in Article 5 of the Treaty. In accordance with the principle of proportionality set out in that article, this Directive does not go beyond what is necessary to achieve those objectives.

DE was of the opinion that this recital does not properly reflect the position that some categories should reamin optional, and therefore it should be changed accordingly.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 22 (adapted)

Each Member State should ensure that the fullest possible set of regularly updated information is made available to the general public, notably on the Internet, ☒ about the research organisations, approved under this Directive, with which researchers could conclude a hosting agreement, and on the conditions and procedures for entry into and residence on its territory for the purposes of carrying out research, as adopted under this Directive as well ☒ as regards ☒ information about ☒ the establishments defined in this Directive, courses of study to which third-country nationals may be admitted and the conditions and procedures for entry ☒ into ☒ and residence in ☒ on ☒ its territory for those purposes.

♦ 2005/71/EC recital 10 (adapted)

Each Member State should ensure that the most comprehensive information possible, regularly kept up to date, is made publicly available, via the Internet in particular, on the research organisations, approved under this Directive, with which researchers could conclude a hosting agreement, and on the conditions and procedures for entry and residence on its territory for the purposes of carrying out research, as adopted under this Directive.

- ◆ 2005/71/EC recital 28 (adapted)
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- (43) ☐ In accordance with Articles 1, 2 and Article 4a(1) of Protocol No 21 on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice, annexed to the Treaty of the European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and without prejudice to Article 4 of that Protocol, the United Kingdom and Ireland are not taking part in the adoption of this Directive and are not bound by it or subject to its application. □ □ [...] □ 36

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 29 (adapted)

In accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of the Protocol on the position of Denmark annexed to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty establishing

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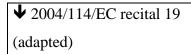
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Community, Denmark does not take part in the adoption of this Directive, and is not bound by it or subject to its application
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◆ 2004/114/EC recital 17 (adapted)

In order to allow initial entry into their territory, Member States should be able to issue in a timely manner a residence permit or, if they issue residence permits exclusively on their territory, a visa.

Please note that the amendment of this recital is linked with Article 36.



The notion of prior authorisation includes the granting of work permits to students who wish to exercise an economic activity.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 20 (adapted)

This Directive does not affect national legislation in the area of part-time work.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 21 (adapted)

Provision should be made for fast-track admission procedures for study purposes or for pupil exchange schemes operated by recognised organisations in the Member States.

◆ 2004/114/EC recital 25 (adapted)

In accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of the Protocol on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and without prejudice to Article 4 of the said Protocol, these Member States are not taking part in the adoption of this Directive and are not bound by it or subject to its application.

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♦ 2004/114/EC recital 26 (adapted)

In accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of the Protocol on the position of Denmark, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty establishing the European Community, Denmark is not taking part in the adoption of this Directive and is not bound by it or subject to its application,

♦ 2005/71/EC recital 1 (adapted)

With a view to consolidating and giving structure to European research policy, the Commission considered it necessary in January 2000 to establish the European Research Area as the lynchpin of the Community's future action in this field.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 2 (adapted)

Endorsing the European Research Area, the Lisbon European Council in March 2000 set the Community the objective of becoming the most competitive and dynamic knowledge-based economy in the world by 2010.

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◆ 2005/71/EC recital 3 (adapted)

The globalisation of the economy calls for greater mobility of researchers, something which was recognised by the sixth framework programme of the European Community²⁷, when it opened up its programmes further to researchers from outside the European Union.

▶ 2005/71/EC recital 4 (adapted)

The number of researchers which the Community will need by 2010 to meet the target set by the Barcelona European Council in March 2002 of 3 % of GDP invested in research is estimated at 700000. This target is to be met through a series of interlocking measures, such as making scientific careers more attractive to young people, promoting women's involvement in scientific research, extending the opportunities for training and mobility in research, improving career prospects for researchers in the Community and opening up the Community to third-country nationals who might be admitted for the purposes of research.

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Decision No 1513/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 June 2002 concerning the sixth framework programme of the European Community for research, technological development and demonstration activities, contributing to the creation of the European Research Area and to innovation (2002 to 2006) (OJ L 232, 29.8.2002, p. 1). Decision amended by Decision No 786/2004/EC (OJ L 138, 30.4.2004, p. 7).

♦ 2005/71/EC recital 6 (adapted)

Implementation of this Directive should not encourage a brain drain from emerging or developing countries. Back-up measures to support researchers' reintegration into their countries of origin as well as the movement of researchers should be taken in partnership with the countries of origin with a view to establishing a comprehensive migration policy.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 7 (adapted)

For the achievement of the objectives of the Lisbon process it is also important to foster the mobility within the Union of researchers who are EU citizens, and in particular researchers from the Member States which acceded in 2004, for the purpose of carrying out scientific research.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 8 (adapted)

Given the openness imposed by changes in the world economy and the likely requirements to meet the 3 % of GDP target for investment in research, third-country researchers potentially eligible under this Directive should be defined broadly in accordance with their qualifications and the research project which they intend to carry out.

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◆ 2005/71/EC recital 12 (adapted)

At the same time, the traditional avenues of admission (such as employment and trainceship) should be maintained, especially for doctoral students carrying out research as students, who should be excluded from the scope of this Directive and are covered by Council Directive 2004/114/EC of 13 December 2004 on the conditions of admission of third-country nationals for the purposes of studies, pupil exchange, unremunerated training or voluntary service ²⁸.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 16 (adapted)

This Directive adds a very important improvement in the field of social security as the non-discrimination principle also applies directly to persons coming to a Member State directly from a third country. Nevertheless, this Directive should not confer more rights than those already provided in existing Community legislation in the field of social security for third-country nationals who have cross-border elements between Member States. This Directive furthermore should not grant rights in relation to situations which lie outside the scope of Community legislation like for example family members residing in a third country.

³⁸ OJ L 375, 23.12.2004, p. 12.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 17 (adapted)

It is important to foster the mobility of third-country nationals admitted for the purposes of earrying out scientific research as a means of developing and consolidating contacts and networks between partners and establishing the role of the European Research Area at world level. Researchers should be able to exercise mobility under the conditions established by this Directive. The conditions for exercising mobility under this Directive should not affect the rules currently governing recognition of the validity of the travel documents.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 18 (adapted)

Special attention should be paid to the facilitation and support of the preservation of the unity of family members of the researchers, according to the Council Recommendation of 12

October 2005 to facilitate the admission of third-country nationals to carry out scientific research in the European Community²⁹.

♦ 2005/71/EC recital 19 (adapted)

In order to preserve family unity and to enable mobility, family members should be able to join the researcher in another Member State under the conditions determined by the national law of such Member State, including its obligations arising from bilateral or multilateral agreements.

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◆ 2005/71/EC recital 20 (adapted)

Holders of residence permits should be in principle allowed to submit an application for admission while remaining on the territory of the Member State concerned.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 21 (adapted)

Member States should have the right to charge applicants for the processing of applications for residence permits.

◆ 2005/71/EC recital 26 (adapted)

In accordance with paragraph 34 of the Interinstitutional agreement on better law-making, Member States will be encouraged to draw up, for themselves and in the interest of the Community, their own tables, which will, as far as possible, illustrate the correlation between this Directive and the transposition measures, and to make them public.

▶ 2005/71/EC recital 27 (adapted)

In accordance with Article 3 of the Protocol on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty establishing the European Community, Ireland has given notice by letter of 1 July 2004 of its wish to participate in the adoption and application of this Directive.

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- (45) The obligation to transpose this Directive into national law should be confined to those provisions which represent a substantive amendment compared to the earlier Directives. The obligation to transpose the provisions which are unchanged arises under the earlier Directives.
- (46) This Directive should be without prejudice to the obligations of the Member States relating to the time-limits for transposition into national law and the dates of application of the Directives set out in Annex I, Part B,

▼ 2004/114/EC (adapted)

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HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

CHAPTER I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Subject matter⁴⁰

This Directive determines:

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⁴⁰ AT, NL, CZ, HU, DE, PT, LV, SI, EE, BE, FI, EL, LT, CY: some delegations questioned whether the subsidiarity principle had been respected and some expressed general scrutiny reservations/doubts on the inclusion of the new categories, in particular au-pairs. EL stated that this proposal is not in full compliance with the subsidiarity principle since the regulation of remunerated trainees and au-pairs at EU level does not seem to have a significant added value. **EL** emphasised that the existing national provisions for remunerated trainees, on the one hand, and the absence of national provisions for au-pairs, on the other hand, lead to the conclusion that there is no actual need for the adoption of common EU rules. EL also stated that this proposal does not comply sufficiently with the proportionality principle. In particular, the modification of the current optional categories into binding categories reduces the degree of flexibility that is necessary for the Member States which should be left to decide whether to implement the EU legislation for the categories provided as optional by the current Directives. On the other hand, LU, IT agreed with the inclusion of the new groups, including au pairs.

DE, RO requested precise information about why each group needs to be included in the proposal in order to inform their national parliaments. **DE** in particular was not convinced that categories such as "pupils", "volunteers", "unremunerated and remunerated trainees" belong in this proposal for different reasons. **DE**, even though it supports the regulation of "researchers" and "students" categories in this proposal, was of the opinion nonetheless that parallel national schemes for these two categories need to be maintained. **NL** supported **DE** on this opinion. **SI** expressly stated its reservation against the inclusion of the categories of remunerated trainees as well as au-pairs.

- (b) the rules concerning the procedures for admitting third-country nationals to the territory of the Member States for those purposes.

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(b) the conditions of entry and residence of third-country national students and remunerated trainees for a period exceeding 90 days in Member States other than the Member State which first grants the third-country national an authorisation on the basis of this Directive;

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FR requested clarification and PRES stated that it refers to family members of researchers. ES stated that family members of researchers are not part of the subject matter of this proposal and therefore it suggested to be taken out from here and be inserted someplace else in the proposal. NL pointed out that Article 1 of the Blue Card Directive makes reference to family members.

ES: reservation. AT: scrutiny reservation. NL did not agree with the change to "90 days", preferring the mention to "3 months" which is currently used in the Seasonal Workers Directive proposal. CION explained that the term "90 days" is expected to be established upon adoption of the amended Schengen Borders Code. FR questioned whether the newly added wording "entry and residence" is really more appropriate than the original "admission". IT was in favour of broadening the coverage of the proposal also to researchers staying less than three months.

(c) the conditions of entry and residence of third-country national researchers in Member States other than the Member State which first grants the third-country national an authorisation on the basis of this Directive.⁴³

♦ 2005/71/EC (adapted)

CHAPTER I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

Purpose

This Directive lays down the conditions for the admission of third-country researchers to the Member States for more than three months for the purposes of earrying out a research project under hosting agreements with research organisations.

FR, HU, EE, IT were in favour of these provisions, points (b) and (c), dealing with intra-EU mobility. NL questioned whether points (b) and (c) could not be merged since both deal with mobility.

◆ 2004/114/EC (adapted)	
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Article 2

Scope⁴⁴

1. This Directive \supset shall \subset apply to third-country nationals who apply to be admitted to the territory of a Member State for the purpose of \boxtimes research \boxtimes and \subset studies \supset [...] \subset .

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ES: expressed support for the inclusion of students and researchers, reservation against the inclusion of volunteers and au-pairs and scrutiny reservation about inclusion of remunerated trainees. EL: was against the inclusion of au-pairs in this proposal. AT, LV, CZ, PL, HU, IT, CY: scrutiny reservations on the new categories. AT, CY, CZ, HU stated that the addition of the new categories in this proposal does not provide enough means to prevent abuses. AT, CZ preferred to maintain strict rules at national level to prevent the possibility of abuses. CZ pointed out that at the very least these new categories should not be made mandatory. HU further elaborated that these new categories do not belong in the migration field, unlike the other groups. FR deplored the fact that "teachers" are not part of the proposal's scope, although they could be relevant stakeholders either as accompanying adults in pupil exchange schemes or as direct beneficiaries of exchange programs. FR suggested that new provisions should be included in this proposal to cover the teachers.

- 2. This Directive shall not apply to \boxtimes third-country nationals \boxtimes : ⁴⁶
 - (a) third-country nationals residing in a Member State as asylum-seekers, or under subsidiary forms of protection, or under temporary protection schemes;
 - (b) third-country nationals whose expulsion has been suspended for reasons of fact or of law;
 - (c) third-country nationals who are family members of Union citizens who have exercised their right to free movement within the Union;

 ^{- &}lt;u>In favour</u> of these categories to be <u>optional</u>: NL, FI, CZ, SK, BE, DE, PL, AT, ES, PT, EE, IT, LV, SI, EL

⁻ In favour of these categories to be mandatory: FR, SE, LU, CION

⁻ $\underline{\text{In favour}}$ to extend the scope to $\underline{\text{all pupils}}$, including primary school pupils: **FR, RO, ES, LV, HU**

^{- &}lt;u>Against</u> extending the scope to <u>all pupils</u>, including primary school pupils: **FI**, **CZ**, **SK**, **BE**, **DE**, **PL**, **AT**, **PT**, **EE**, **IT**, **SE**, **SI**, **LU**, **EL**, **CY**

⁻ In favour to extend the scope to teachers: FR, ES, EE, IT

^{- &}lt;u>Against</u> extending the scope to <u>teachers</u>: FI, CZ, SK, BE, DE, RO, PL, AT, PT, LV, SE, SI, LU, HU, EL, CY

FR proposed the introduction of an additional exclusion point concerning those falling within regulated professions as defined in Directive 2005/36 on the recognition of professional qualifications. CION explained that Directive 2005/36 only applies to nationals of the Member States and that therefore it was no necessary to introduce this new exclusion point.

- (d) third-country nationals who enjoy long-term resident status in a Member State in accordance with Council Directive 2003/109/EC⁴⁷ ⊃ [...] C;⁴⁸
- (e) **\(\sigma_{\in...\in}\in\)**

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LV would like to obtain clarification about whether persons who have acquired EU long-term resident status in accordance with Council Directive 2003/109/EC are included in the scope of this proposal. At the explanatory memorandum concerning Article 2 it is stated that this proposal does not cover persons who are EU long-term residents, however Article 2(2)(d) provides that this proposal will not apply to those persons who enjoy long-term resident status in a Member State in accordance with Council Directive 2003/109/EC and exercise their right to reside in another Member State in order to study or receive vocational training - hence the smaller range of persons than referred in the explanatory memorandum. LV would like to receive clarification regarding this point as it seems ambiguous. Either this proposal does not apply to the persons who have acquired EU long-term resident status in accordance with Council Directive 2003/109/EC or it does not apply to the persons who have acquired permanent resident status in accordance with Council Directive 2003/109/EC and who at the same time are exercising their right to reside in another Member State in order to study or receive vocational training? If it is a case that only EU long-term residents – students and trainees - are exempted from the scope of the Directive; additional justification for such decision would be welcomed in the explanatory memorandum. LV would support inclusion of all categories of EU long-term residents into the scope of the this proposal as Directive 2003/109/EC does not provide equally beneficial provisions for mobility of EU long-term residents (e.g., EU long-term residents do not have a free access to the labour market of other Member States during first 12 months of stay. At the same time, this proposal grants such right to students).

OJ L 16, 23.1.2004, p. 44



- (f) who, together with their family members, and irrespective of their nationality, enjoy rights of free movement equivalent to those of citizens of the Union under agreements either between the Union and the Member States or between the Union and third countries;⁴⁹
- (g) trainees who come to the Union in the context of an intra-corporate transfer under [Directive 2013/xx/EU on intra-corporate transfers];⁵⁰
- (h) who are admitted as highly qualified workers in accordance with Council Directive 2009/50/EC.

IT requested **CION** further clarification concerning this point and about whether Euro-Mediterranean Agreements are covered.

DE, supported by ES, considered the boundaries between trainees in this proposal and "graduate trainees" in the ICT Directive proposal unclear. CION replied that the scheme set up in the ICT Directive proposal is a separate scheme which contains objective criteria for the determination of who is to be considered as "graduate trainee" under the ICT Directive proposal. On the other hand, PL did not see an overlap between both this proposal and the ICT Directive proposal and therefore proposed the deletion of this point.

◆ 2004/114/EC (adapted)

Article 3

Definitions⁵¹

For the purposes of this Directive:

(a) 'third-country national' means $\frac{\text{eny}}{\text{emp}} \boxtimes \text{ a} \boxtimes \text{ person who is not a citizen of the Union}$ within the meaning of Article $\frac{1720}{\text{emp}}(1)$ of the Treaty;

FR also suggested, bearing in mind that European specific exchange programs such as Erasmus Mundus involve a substantial number of stakeholders and, most of the time, the participation of more than one or two countries, to add a new paragraph defining at least a "<u>third member state</u>".

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FR stated that the inclusion of stays of less than 90 days within the scope of this proposal would be relevant since many exchange travels fall outside the regular provisions of the scholar scheme, for example in case of sporting or animation activities. In the case that the scope of the proposal was to be further broadened to stays of less than 90 days, FR asked for the addition of two new definitions recording the entrance of two new categories in the possible target audiences of the directive: "youth exchange programs for non-academic accomplishments" (i bis) and "youth workers for training visits and networking" (i ter):

i bis) ""youth exchange programs for non-academic accomplishments" means a reciprocal or non-reciprocal exchange involving young third country nationals, in the context of a non-formal exchange scheme, operated by a youth organization or any organization recognised for that purpose by the Member State or the European Union."

i ter) ""youth workers for training visits and networking" means third country nationals working in youth and social professional environments, taking part to projects involving youth exchanges, networking and training, or working in the context of a non-formal educational program recognised for that purpose by the Member State or the European Union."

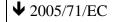
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Definitions

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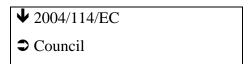
(a) 'third-country national' means any person who is not a Union citizen within the meaning of Article 17(1) of the Treaty;



(b)(d)—researcher' means a third-country national holding an appropriate higher education qualification, which gives access to doctoral programmes, who is selected by a research organisation for carrying out a research project for which the above qualification is normally required;⁵²

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ES: scrutiny reservation.



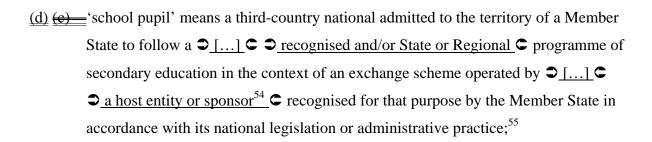
(c) (b)—'student' means a third-country national accepted by a ①[...] © higher education ① institution recognised by the Member State © and admitted to the territory of a Member State to pursue as his/her main activity a full-time course of study leading to a higher education qualification recognised by the Member State, including diplomas, certificates or doctoral degrees in an establishment of higher education, which may cover a preparatory course prior to such education according to its national legislation; 53

EL suggested the following changes:

ES, LV, EE, FI: scrutiny reservation. NL, BE, ES expressed concerns about the reference in this point to "full-time course". This reference might indicate that the students should study during the whole day which would be in contradiction with the provision in Article 23(3) of this proposal that stipulates a minimum of hours per week that students are entitled to, in order to carry out economic activities. CION explained that the reference to a "full-time course" does not mean that courses have to encompass the whole day, for example a half-a-day course could be considered a full-time course. Therefore, there is no contradiction with the provision on allowing a minimum of hours per week for economic activities.

FR suggested the following rephrasing: ""student" means a third country national enrolled by a higher education institution and admitted to the territory of a Member State to pursue as his/her main activity a full-time higher education, including all types of courses of study or sets of courses study, training or training for research, which may cover a preparatory course prior to such education according to its national legislation, and leading to a higher education qualification recognised by the Member State, including degrees, diplomas, or certificates awarded by a higher education institution"

[&]quot;'student' means a third-country national accepted by an establishment of higher education, recognised as such according to national legislation, and admitted to the territory of a Member State to pursue as his/her main activity a full-time course of study leading to a higher education qualification recognised by the Member State, including diplomas, certificates or doctoral degrees in an establishment of higher education, which may cover a preparatory course prior to such education according to its national legislation."



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SE, ES requested clarification on what "sponsor" means and on what it is included in the notion of "secondary education". CION replied that the age range of 16-18 seems too limited and that probably lower ages are also included in "secondary education".

SI, LV, EE: scrutiny reservation. DE, HU, SE pointed out that they do not have a recognition system as provided for in this definition. They asked for more flexibility. FR stated that it appears quite reductive to limit the scope of this proposal to pupil exchange schemes involving only secondary education pupils and reciprocal exchanges.

FR requested the following proposition to be taken into account: ""school pupil" means a third-country national admitted to the territory of a Member State to follow a recognised programme of <u>primary or</u> secondary education in the context of an exchange scheme <u>or an educational project</u>, operated by an organisation recognised for that purpose by the Member State in accordance with its national legislation or administrative practice."

◆ 2004/114/EC (adapted)	
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(e) (d)—'unremunerated trainee' means a third-country national who has been admitted to the territory of a Member State ⊃, with a view to gain knowledge, practice and professional experience which is related to his/her educational training or profession, ⊂ for a training period without ⊃[...] ⊂ ⊃ payment ⁵⁶ ⊂ in accordance with its the national legislation ⊠ of the Member State concerned ⊲: ⁵⁷

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Concerning "payment" in points (e) and (f):

FR pointed out that the FR version will use "gratification".

SK, DE, AT,: supported or at least were not against the use of "payment".

BE was against this term and preferred the term "remuneration".

ES, BE, AT, LV, PT, DE, SE, FI: scrutiny reservation. NL wanted to include a wording aiming to avoid abuse for this category. PRES asked to submit such wording in writing. DE, SE suggested to move the wording "in accordance with its national legislation" right after "has been admitted". PT had a problem with this since according to its legislation the training period is always paid, and therefore the notion of unremunerated training goes against its legislation. LV stated that it would like to allow trainees to be treated as school pupils in order to avoid abuse, so they cannot be used as fake employees. ES pointed out that it would like to also apply to trainees the notion of "reimbursement of expenses" as provided for in point (h). DE, SE, PT, FI stated that it is not clear whether vocational training is included within the category of trainees. CION pointed out that training can also cover vocational training in this proposal.

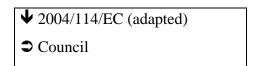
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- (f) 'remunerated trainee' means a third-country national who has been admitted to the territory of a Member State for a training period ⊃, with a view to gain knowledge, practice and professional experience which is related to his/her educational training or profession ⊂ in return for which he/she receives ⊃[...] ⊂ ⊃ payment ⊂ in accordance with the national legislation of the Member State concerned;⁵⁸
- (g) 'volunteer' means a third-country national admitted to the territory of a Member State to participate in a recognised voluntary service scheme;⁵⁹

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ES, BE, CZ, SE, DE, PT, FI: scrutiny reservation. ES: linguistic reservation

concerning the Spanish word "aprendiz". PL, AT, CY, DE entered a reservation against the inclusion of this category since it makes it difficult to distinguish between remunerated trainees and employees. **DE** stated that the Presidency's suggestions are a step in the good direction and as in the case of point (e) it suggested to move the wording "in accordance with its national legislation" right after "has been admitted". **AT** in addition raised the issue of differences between the EN and DE linguistic versions of this provision providing further confusion. LV mentioned its system concerning education programmes and questioned whether it could keep its current system – both unremunerated and remunerated trainees are admitted for training only under licensed educational programmes and providing they are students or pupils. 59 ES, BE, NL, AT: reservation. NL insisted on making a reference to national law for such definition. **IT** proposed the following change in this definition: "'volunteer' means a third-country national admitted into the territory of a Member State to participate in a recognised voluntary service scheme in order to take part in a voluntary action and/or in an active citizenship scheme". **EL** proposed to add at the end of the definition the following: "[...] in accordance with the national legislation of the Member State concerned."



(h)(f)—'voluntary service scheme' means a programme of ¬practical C activities

¬[...] C, based on a ⊠ scheme recognised by the Member ⊠ State or ⊠ the

Union ⊠ a Community scheme, pursuing objectives of general interest ¬, in which

the activities are unpaid, except for reimbursement of expenses 60, and there is no

pursuit of profit C; 61

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IT preferred to avoid the use of any wording in the line of "voluntary work" since the word "work" implies an activity with a remuneration whereas "voluntary action" and "volunteering" imply an activity performed free of charge. IT proposed that each and every time the proposal refers to "voluntary work" it should be changed into "voluntary action" and "volunteering" should be included in the text instead of "voluntary scheme service". Also, IT proposed to include a reference to "active citizenship scheme" each time the proposal refers to "voluntary action" or to "volunteering". Furthermore, IT had doubts about the use of the word "service scheme" since the word "service" could imply an activity for remuneration. CION had a reservation on the inclusion of the word "practical". It cannot see the added-value of this addition. SE asked about what exactly "unpaid" means. According to SE, in some cases volunteers receive money. PRES explained that the compromise suggestion tried to convey the idea that volunteers should not receive remuneration.

BE did not agree with the notion of "reimbursement of expenses".

ES, BE: scrutiny reservation. DE expressed that it does not see the added value of regulating volunteers at EU level and questioned whether the subsidiarity principle was taken into account here.

IT proposed a new definition for this point instead of the one in the proposal: "'volunteering and active citizenship scheme' means a scheme composed of solidarity and social inclusion initiatives, based on a project acknowledged by the Member State or the European Union, which pursues general interest objectives to be carried out within the organizations performing non-profit, social utility activities, according to the national regulations of each Member State regarding voluntary action and active citizenship".



(i) 'au pair' means a third-country national who is ⊃ [...] C received by a family in the territory of a Member State ⊃ for no longer than one year in order to improve his/her linguistic skills and his/her knowledge of the host country C in exchange for light housework and taking care of children ⊃ [...] C;⁶²

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BE, **AT**: scrutiny reservation. **BE** wanted this category to be optional but as far as the content is concerned, this definition is on the right direction. FR wanted to keep this category in the proposal. AT, CZ, DE, SI, ES, EL, FI and NL stated reservations against the inclusion of this category in the proposal. CZ asked CION whether the possibility of remuneration for au-pairs would not create a risk of confusion with employees. CION answered that what au-pairs receive, according to Article 14 of this proposal, that is to say, "pocket money", could not be considered as remuneration as it is understood for employees. **DE** made reference to the subsidiarity principle and asked **CION** to explain why there is a need to include this category in the proposal and how this definition and other provisions within the proposal, like for example the signing of an agreement between the au pair and the host family, may precisely help in the fight against abuse. **CION** answered that au-pairs category fosters cultural exchanges and since this cultural exchanges are considered important for the EU it is necessary to have rules at EU level. CION also explained that including this category in the proposal amounts to consider that au-pairs have enforceable rights and this fact, even if does not end single-handedly with abuse, would help fighting against it. **DE** asked whether the tasks of the au-pairs are cumulative, that is to say, they have to carry out light housework and taking care of children, or exclusive, that is to say, carry out light housework or taking care of children. CION answered that they are cumulative. **NL** pointed out that there is only "anecdotal" evidence of abuse concerning au pairs and questioned if this "anecdotal" evidence is enough to warrant to include this category in the proposal.

↓ 2005/71/EC

- (j) (b)—'research' means creative work undertaken on a systematic basis in order to increase the stock of knowledge, including knowledge of man, culture and society, and the use of this stock of knowledge to devise new applications;⁶³
- (k) (e) 'research organisation' means any public or private organisation which conducts research and which has been approved for the purposes of this Directive by a Member State in accordance with the latter's legislation or administrative practice; 64

↓ 2004/114/EC (adapted) **⊃** Council

(<u>1</u>) (<u>e</u>) '⊠ education <u>□ [...]</u> <u>©</u> ≪ establishment' means a public or private <u>□ secondary</u> education <u>©</u> establishment recognised by the host Member State and/or whose courses of study are recognised in accordance with its national legislation or administrative practice <u>⊠</u> on the basis of transparent criteria <u>⊠</u> for the purposes set out in this Directive;

EL suggested the following addition:

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AT put forward a reservation on the DE version of the definition which does not correlate with the EN version.

[&]quot;'research' means creative <u>and innovative</u> work undertaken on a systematic basis in order to increase the stock of knowledge, including knowledge of man, culture and society, and the use of this stock of knowledge to devise new applications;"

FR proposed to replace "research organisation" by the wording "<u>establishment of higher education and research</u>" and to add the expression "<u>teaching assignments and research</u>".

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- (la) 'higher education institution' means any type of higher education institution, in accordance with national legislation or practice, which offers recognised degrees or other recognised tertiary level qualifications, whatever such establishments may be called, or any institution, in accordance with national legislation or practice, which offers vocational education or training at tertiary level.

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LV, AT, SI, PT, FI, ES, BE: scrutiny reservation.

FR welcomed this inclusion and stated that, for the sake of consistency, "higher education institution" should also be included in other relevant articles of this proposal.

SE stated that this definition is drafted too widely and the it prefers "higher education studies".

ES, IT, DE, AT, FI, SI, PL, PT: scrutiny reservation. NL welcomed the inclusion of the notion of "sponsor" in the proposal and wanted to highlight the fact that the introduction of the notion of "sponsor" in the proposal is made on an optional basis. RO preferred not to use the term "sponsor" since it is the same term used in Directive 96/2003. RO suggested to use another term, for example "intermediary body". CION had a reservation on the inclusion in the proposal of the notion of "sponsor".

"host entity" means the research organisation, the sponsor or, in case of au-pairs, the host family \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc ; \bigcirc [67]

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- (n) 'employment' means the exercise of activities covering whatever form of labour or work regulated under national law or ⊃ in accordance with ℂ established practice for ⊃ [...] ℂ ⊃ or ℂ under the direction and ⊃ /or ℂ supervision of an employer;⁶⁹
- (o) 'first Member State' means the Member State which first grants a third-country national an authorisation on the basis of this Directive;⁷⁰
- (p) 'second Member State' means any Member State other than the first Member State;⁷¹

PL, AT, ES, SI, EL: scrutiny reservation, since the definition is considered unclear. FR considered a good idea to define "host entity", but it may create confusion with the term "sponsor". Sponsor is rather an intermediary than a host but nonetheless there needs to be a clear distinctions between both terms. CION stated that it has a reservation on the link between host entity and sponsor, as well as on the definition of sponsor itself.

Point (m) - definition of remuneration is deleted.

BE, AT, FR: scrutiny reservation.

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- (q) '⊃[...] C ⊃ <u>Bilateral and multilateral</u> C programmes including mobility measures' means ⊃[...] C programmes ⊃ <u>funded by the Union or by two or more Member</u>

 <u>States</u> C promoting inward mobility of third country nationals to the Union ⊃ <u>or</u>

 relevant Member States C:⁷²
- (r) 'authorisation' means a residence permit ⊃ [...] C or ⊃, if provided for in national law, C a long-stay visa ⊃ issued for the purposes of this Directive C;⁷³
- (ra) 'residence permit' means an authorisation issued using the format laid down in Council Regulation (EC) No 1030/2002 of 13 June 2002 laying down a uniform format for residence permits for third-country nationals entitling its holder to stay legally on the territory of a Member State; C⁷⁴
- (s) 'long-stay visa' means an authorisation issued by a Member State as provided for in Article 18 of the Schengen Convention or issued in accordance with the national law of Member States ⊃[...] C ⊃ not implementing C the Schengen acquis ⊃ in full C.⁷⁵

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The state and a reservation about the insertion of the wording "bilateral and multilateral".

DE asked whether this new wording would include programmes between a Member State and a third-country. PRES asked DE to submit a written comment in case it wants to change the suggested new wording. PT shared the doubts expressed by DE.

CION answered that it has not an objection in principle to this, but considered better to further discuss this issue later, after the linked provisions have been discussed. To this DE replied that it wanted clarification on the issue, but that it did not advocate to include programmes between Member States and a third country. RO had doubts about the meaning of the word "inward" in this point. According to RO, it is an odd thing to mention inward mobility in a migration text.

FR, ES: scrutiny reservation.

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(t) <u>"family members"</u> means third country nationals as defined in Article 4(1) of Directive 2003/86/EC⁷⁷ C

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(g) 'residence permit' means any authorisation issued by the authorities of a Member State allowing a third-country national to stay legally in its territory, in accordance with Article 1(2)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1030/2002.

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(e) 'residence permit' means any authorisation bearing the term 'researcher' issued by the authorities of a Member State allowing a third-country national to stay legally on its territory, in accordance with Article 1(2)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1030/2002.

Article 3

Scope

1. This Directive shall apply to third-country nationals who apply to be admitted to the territory of a Member State for the purpose of carrying out a research project.

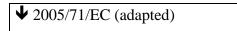
- 2. This Directive shall not apply to:
- (a) third-country nationals staying in a Member State as applicants for international protection or under temporary protection schemes;

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FR: scrutiny reservation.

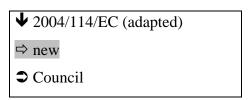
- (b) third-country nationals applying to reside in a Member State as students within the meaning of Directive 2004/114/EC in order to carry out research leading to a doctoral degree;
- (e) third-country nationals whose expulsion has been suspended for reasons of fact or law;
- (d) researchers seconded by a research organisation to another research organisation in another Member State.



Article 4

More favourable provisions

- 1. This Directive shall be without prejudice to more favourable provisions of:
- (a) bilateral or multilateral agreements concluded between the Community or between the Community and its Member States on the one hand and one or more third countries on the other:
- (b) bilateral or multilateral agreements concluded between one or more Member States and one or more third countries.
- 2. This Directive shall not affect the right of Member States to adopt or retain more favourable provisions for persons to whom it applies.



Article 4

More favourable provisions

- 1. This Directive shall be without prejudice to more favourable provisions of:

 - (b) bilateral or multilateral agreements ⊠ concluded ⊠ between one or more Member States and one or more third countries.

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NL pointed out that the provision about more favourable provisions in Directives 2004/114 and 2005/71 is not limited to certain articles. According to **NL** it is contrary to the aim of this proposal (stimulating the admission of researchers and students and the other categories) to restrict that possibility of more favourable treatment. **IT** stressed that it was very important to try to align this proposal with national practices, and in particular in the field of volunteering.

CION answered that it does not like the possibility for Member States to apply parallel schemes. **CION** is of the opinion that admission conditions should be harmonised in the EU, but does not oppose that Member States be able to apply more favourable rights. **CION** also stated that it is open to accept more flexibility concerning admission conditions, but once agreed on a certain level for admission conditions, **CION** does not want fragmentation and is in favour of a single scheme.

HU: scrutiny reservation. **ES**: reservation. Even though **ES** supports the regulation of "researchers" and "students" categories in this proposal, it is crucial for **ES** that parallel national schemes for these two categories be maintained. ES requires an article similar to article 4(2) of the Directive 2009/50/EC of May 2009 on the conditions of entry and residence of third-country nationals for the purposes of highly qualified employment which says: "This Directive shall not affect the right of Member States to adopt or retain more favourable provisions for persons to whom it applies ...". **DE** stated that currently it applies more favourable admission criteria. **DE** asked **CION** whether there would be possible to continue admitting researchers and students under easier conditions as **DE** does currently. **DE** mentioned that for example, as far as hosting agreements stipulated in Article 9 of the proposal are concerned, a lot of institutes in **DE** are not ready to sign them and **DE** would still like to be able to admit researchers without having to sign hosting agreements. RO, DE stated that this proposal should bring a minimum level of harmonisation and let Member States to decide themselves the more favourable provisions to be applied. NL also insisted in having the possibility of applying more favourable admission criteria in order to better attract researchers and students. NL suggested the following deletion in paragraph 2: "This Directive shall be without prejudice to the right of Member States to adopt or maintain provisions that are more favourable to the persons to whom it applies with respect to Articles 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 29, especially in the context of Mobility Partnerships."

CHAPTER II

CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION

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Article 5

Principle \bigcirc s \bigcirc ⁷⁹

The admission of a third-country national under the terms of this Directive <u>1.</u> shall be subject to the verification of documentary evidence showing that he/she meets the general conditions laid down in Article 6 and the specific conditions in whichever of Articles 7 to $\frac{14}{14}$ applies to the relevant category.⁸⁰

⁷⁹ **AT, PL**: scrutiny reservation on the whole article.

⁸⁰ HU requested clarification as to whether the requirement of "documentary evidence" would preclude Member States from requiring other types of controls such as tests, interviews, control of the knowledge of the language of the host country, etc. HU would like CION to clarify how "documentary evidence" should be interpreted in this article. CION answered that Article 10 of this proposal complements this article since it stipulates the types of evidence that have to be provided. CION went on stating that there is no purpose to limit the interpretation to just documents and that language tests and interviews could also fall within the wording "documentary evidence".

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2. Once all the general and specific conditions for admission are fulfilled, applicants shall be entitled to a ⊃n authorisation⁸¹ ⊂ ⊃[...] ⊂ If a Member State issues residence permits only on its territory ⊃[...] ⊂ and all the admission conditions⁸² laid down in this Directive are fulfilled, the Member State concerned shall ⊃grant ⊂ ⊃[...] ⊂ the third country national ⊃every facility to obtain⁸³ ⊂ the requisite visa

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PL said that the inclusion of the term "authorisation" multiplies the number of terms used and therefore it makes the text more complicated.

DE agreed with the inclusion of the word "authorisation", but would like that this would not be applicable to trainees and au-pairs. EL pointed out that the text should be clearer concerning the meaning of the term "authorisation". It might be a national visa or national visa plus residence permit. In this case, Member States will decide for the appropriate model of authorisation (national visa without residence permit or national visa plus residence permit) related to the specific category and the residence period. EL also suggested the following changes in the wording of this paragraph:

"[...] the Member State concerned may facilitate the third-country national to obtain the requisite visa to enter the territory of the Member State concerned."

PL said that the inclusion of the term "authorisation" multiplies the number of terms

CZ asked CION for clarification since it is not clear whether the "admission conditions" wording refers to the granting of a permit.

DE did not agree with the use of the wording concerning "facilitation". PL stated that it is unclear how the wording on "facilitation" relate to the Schengen Visa Code. This facilitation could only relate with long-stay visas and not short-term visas.

- **⊃** to enter the territory of the Member State concerned **⊂** .⁸⁴
- This Directive shall be without prejudice to the right of Member States to issue residence permits other than those regulated by this Directive for any purpose referred to in Article 2 for third-country nationals who fall outside the scope of this Directive
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CZ, EE, IT, FR: scrutiny reservation. CZ pointed out that the provisions of this proposal aim to harmonise practice, or rather to set uniform policies and procedures in the designated area. This means that third-country nationals should primarily apply for a residence permit, if the legislation of the Member State allows it, and maintain the national responsibility on the issuance of long-term visas. EE does not see that this paragraph gives any added value and is cumbersome. EE is not against the insertion of "authorisation" but it would prefer the deletion of this paragraph 2. EL presented a reservation on this paragraph since it thinks that a reference to the volumes of admission is necessary, given that third-country nationals are given the possibility to work in the territory of the Member States. CION did not consider this necessary, since the provision on stay after the end of research/study gives a right to "jobseeking" rather than "access" to the labour market. Member States would therefore retain full control of access to their labour market.

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NL agreed with the insertion of this paragraph. It also proposed to add at the end of this paragraph additional wording: "or do not meet the criteria set out in this Directive". NL said that it would like that national schemes could also be applied. HU questioned how the mention to "who fall outside the scope of this Directive" should be interpreted. PRES clarified that this means that, in cases where third-country nationals do not fall within the scope of this Directive, Member States could apply their national schemes. AT agreed with paragraphs 2 and 3 and supported the proposal from NL. ES presented a reservation on this paragraph. DE stated that this paragraph, as it is currently worded, is not very helpful since, according to DE, it is self-evident that Member States will apply their rules if a person does not fall within the scope of this Directive. DE would like that more favourable national rules could also be applicable. CION agreed with other delegations that the wording of this paragraph is not clear.

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Article 6⁸⁶

General conditions

- <u>1.</u> □ A third-country national who applies to be admitted for the purposes set out in this Directive shall:
 - (a) present a valid travel document as determined by national legislation; Member States may require the period of validity of the travel document to cover at least the duration of the planned stay;⁸⁷

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CZ proposed, inspired by Article 7 of Directive 2003/86/EC, to add a new article to the text, for example after Article 6 on general conditions, in which Member States may require third-country nationals to comply with integration measures, in accordance with national law. CZ explained that it has established preparatory one-day, free of charge, courses for adaptation and integration of newly arrived third-country nationals, who should be passed during the first 6 months (or at the latest during the first year) of stay. CZ believes these courses are an important tool of integration/adaptation for third-country nationals.

NL made the following suggestion in order for the proposal to be in line with the approach of the Blue Card Directive:

[&]quot;(a) present a valid travel document as determined by national legislation <u>and, if</u> <u>required, an application for a visa;</u> Member States may require the period of validity of the travel document to cover at least the duration of the planned stay;"

- (b) if he/she is a minor under the national legislation of the host Member State, present a parental authorisation ⋈ or equivalent ⋈ for the planned stay;
- (c) have sickness insurance $\frac{\text{in respect of}}{\text{its own}} \boxtimes \text{ for } \boxtimes \text{ all risks normally covered for } \text{its own nationals in } \boxtimes \text{ of } \boxtimes \text{ the Member State concerned;}^{88}$



(d) not be regarded as a threat to public policy, public security or public health;⁸⁹

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CZ, supported by CY, advocated for inserting "cost of repatriation for medical reasons and repatriation of remains" as a criterion for admission. Since these costs are not covered by public health insurance, because do not fall under the "risks normally covered for nationals of the Member State concerned", CZ considered that it is crucial that this point (c) covers these services as well. CZ also suggested to set a clear indication that health insurance is arranged without the participation of the insured person and for the whole period of his/her residence in the territory of the State concerned. PL requested that a mention to "travel health insurance" is introduced as well.

FR suggested the inclusion of the following wording at the end of this point: "and threat to the national scientific, technical and logistic potential". NL presented a scrutiny reservation on FR's suggestion. It asked FR to explain further and give an example of what that wording means. FR answered that it wants to protect scientific knowledge in research laboratories. The goal is to fight against industrial espionage. HU then questioned whether the threat of industrial espionage was not included already in the notion of "threat to public policy". HU also questioned whether it was not more appropriate to make a reference to this in a recital. CION supported HU comments.

(e) provide proof, if the Member State so requests, that he/she has paid the fee for ⊃[...] C ⊃ handling C the application on the basis of Article 2031.90

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- his/her stay he/she will have sufficient resources to cover his/her subsistence
 and return travel costs and will not have recourse to the Member State's social
 assistance system, without prejudice to an individual examination of each
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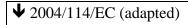
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ES, SI: scrutiny reservation. PL, EE, FR, CZ, SK, AT supported the inclusion of this new paragraph.

NL proposed that long-stay visas should also fall within the scope of this article.
SI: reservation since it has doubts that the provision be necessary at all. **HU, PT**:

SI: reservation since it has doubts that the provision be necessary at all. HU, PT: scrutiny reservation. PL was of the opinion that this point does not serve legal certainty since Member States have a big leeway according to its wording. AT welcomed the reintroduction of point (f). SE asked what was the meaning of "during his/her stay". SE, PT stated that this provision entails requirements that are hard to be met, specially in cases of long stays like for example stays of 4 years. The third-country national can provide evidence that has sufficient resources at the beginning of the period of stay, but if the period is long it is thus more difficult, and in addition if a renewal of the authorisation is needed, then new evidence has to be provided again.

- 4. Member States may lay down a reference amount which they regard as constituting "sufficient resources" as referred to under paragraph (1)(f), which may take into account the level of minimum national wages, and, where applicable, the number of family members. The assessment of the sufficient resources shall be based on an individual examination of the case. □



2. Member States shall facilitate the admission procedure for the third-country nationals covered by Articles 7 to 11 who participate in Community programmes enhancing mobility towards or within the Community.

Volumes of admission

Where a certain category of third country nationals covered by this Directive exercise activities covering whatever form of labour or work according to the national law or practice of a Member State, the Member State may take into account the situation of its labour market when determines the volumes of admission for this category."

AT, FR: scrutiny reservation. ES presented a reservation concerning this paragraph. DE was very critical with the use in this paragraph of the words "take into account". CZ supported the wording of this paragraph. CION did not have objections in general concerning this paragraph, but presented a reservation for the time being, since it would like to ascertain for sure that this paragraph does not apply to students. EL considered this paragraph to be in the right direction but however requested to add a new article before Article 6 that is linked to the content of this paragraph 3, making reference to volumes of admission and the right of the Member States to carry out labour market tests. EL proposed the following wording:

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CHAPTER III

ADMISSION OF RESEARCHERS

Article 7

Conditions for admission

- 1. A third-country national who applies to be admitted for the purposes set out in this Directive shall:
- (a) present a valid travel document, as determined by national law. Member States may require the period of the validity of the travel document to cover at least the duration of the residence permit;
- (b) present a hosting agreement signed with a research organisation in accordance with Article 6(2);
- (c) where appropriate, present a statement of financial responsibility issued by the research organisation in accordance with Article 6(3); and
- (d) not be considered to pose a threat to public policy, public security or public health.
- Member States shall check that all the conditions referred to in points (a), (b), (c) and (d) are met.

- 2. Member States may also check the terms upon which the hosting agreement has been based and concluded.
- 3. Once the checks referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 have been positively concluded, researchers shall be admitted on the territory of the Member States to carry out the hosting agreement.



2 Article 6a⁹⁴

Approval of the sponsor in case of study, pupil exchange, remunerated or unremunerated training, voluntary services or au pairing

 Member States may require that the sponsor recruiting a third country national for the purpose of study, pupil exchange, remunerated and unremunerated training, voluntary services or au pairing shall first be approved for that purpose.

SI, FI, AT, BE, PL, RO, DE, HU, IT, EE, ES, CZ, PT, SE, SK: scrutiny reservation. In the case of RO, the scrutiny reservation is mainly for the use of the word "sponsor". FR, DE, EE stated that a "sponsor" should not be the only route for acceptance of third-country nationals. Passing via a sponsor should not be unavoidable. EL asked NL whether this suggestions are applicable to the case of private companies. NL answered that indeed private companies can also be included as sponsors. NL wanted to make very clear that its suggestion about including sponsor is an optional provision, so Member States will have discretion about recognising categories of sponsors or whether to use sponsors at all. CION expressed a reservation on the notion of sponsor. It stated that it will analyse NL's suggestions more in detail. CION was specially concerned about the use of the sponsorship scheme to students. This scheme may put universities in a tight spot financially. CION pointed out that another possibility would be to include the mention of sponsorship in the specific conditions for each category.

- 2. The approval of the sponsor shall be in accordance with procedures set out in the national law or administrative practice of the Member States.
- 3. National law shall⁹⁵ regulate:
 - (a) the validity of the approval;
 - (b) the obligations and liabilities connected to the status of approved sponsor;
 - (c) the sanctions against the approved sponsor in case of non-observance of the provisions of this Directive.

Article 7

Specific conditions for researchers⁹⁶

- 1. In addition to the general conditions laid down in Article 6, a third-country national who applies to be admitted for the purpose of □[...] □ research □ activity⁹⁷ □ shall:
 - (a) present a hosting agreement signed with a research organisation in accordance with Article 9(1) and Article 9(2);

DE, AT would prefer a "may" clause here. NL stated that it would not oppose if this paragraph becomes a "may" clause. BE, SE requested clarification about this paragraph 3.

DE found the conditions imposed on researchers overly restrictive.

AT: reservation on the use of "research activity", instead of the original "research project".

- (b) where appropriate, present a statement of financial responsibility issued by the research organisation in accordance with Article 9(3). 98
- 2. Member States may ⊃[...] C ⊃ require C the terms upon which the hosting agreement 99 has been based and concluded ⊃ to meet requirements established in national law C. 100
- 3. ⊃<u>[…]</u> **⊂**¹⁰¹
- 4. Applications from third-country nationals wishing to pursue research in the Union shall be considered and examined when the third-country national concerned is residing outside the territory of the Member State to which he/she wishes to be admitted.
- Member States may accept, in accordance with their national legislation, an application submitted when the third-country national concerned is already in their territory.
- 6. Member States shall determine whether applications for authorisations are to be made by the researcher <u>and/</u> or by the research organisation concerned.

FR considered that this Article 7(1)(b) overlaps with Article 6(f) on sufficient resources and therefore it is redundant. CION considered it necessary as Article 7(1)(b) links to Article 8(3) and 9(3) where Member States may require an undertaking by the host organisation to reimburse the costs of return and others.

ES suggested to include the possibility for researchers to use also an employment contract.

HU: scrutiny reservation.

DE asked why this paragraph was deleted to which PRES answered that the reason was that such paragraph was misleading.

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CHAPTER II

RESEARCH ORGANISATIONS

Article <u>₹8</u>

Approval \boxtimes of research organisations \boxtimes



- Any research organisation wishing to host a researcher under the admission
 procedure laid down in this Directive shall first be approved for that purpose by the
 Member State concerned.
- 2. The approval of the research organisations shall be in accordance with procedures set out in the national law or administrative practice of the Member States. Applications for approval by both public and private organisations shall be made in accordance with those procedures and be based on their statutory tasks or corporate purposes as appropriate and on proof that they conduct research.

The approval granted to a research organisation shall be for a minimum period of five years. In exceptional cases, Member States may grant approval for a shorter period.

- 3. Member States may require, in accordance with national legislation, a written undertaking of the research organisation that in cases where a researcher remains illegally in the territory of the Member State concerned, the said organisation is responsible for reimbursing the costs related to his/her stay¹⁰² and return incurred by public funds. The financial responsibility of the research organisation shall end at the latest six months after the termination of the hosting agreement.
- 4. Member States may provide that, within two months of the date of expiry of the hosting agreement concerned, the approved organisation shall provide the competent authorities designated for the purpose by the Member States with confirmation that the work has been carried out for each of the research ⊃ [...] ⊂ ⊃ activities ⊂ in respect of which a hosting agreement has been signed pursuant to Article <u>69</u>.

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CZ suggested the following addition: "[...] the said organisation is responsible for reimbursing the costs related to his/her stay, including all of the costs of healthcare, and return incurred by public funds. [...]"

CZ pointed out that the organisation should be required to pay all the costs of healthcare received, and not only the ones which are covered by public health insurance, for example healthcare provided by non-contracting providers of medical services not covered by public health insurance.

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- 6. A Member State may, among other measures, refuse to renew or decide to withdraw the approval of a research organisation which no longer meets the conditions laid down in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 or in cases where the approval has been fraudulently acquired or where a research organisation has signed a hosting agreement with a third-country national fraudulently or negligently. Where approval has been refused or withdrawn, the organisation concerned may be banned from reapplying for approval up to five years from the date of publication of the decision on withdrawal or non-renewal.
- 7. Member States may determine in their national legislation the consequences of the withdrawal of the approval or refusal to renew the approval for the existing hosting agreements, concluded in accordance with Article <u>69</u>, as well as the consequences for the residence permits of the researchers concerned.

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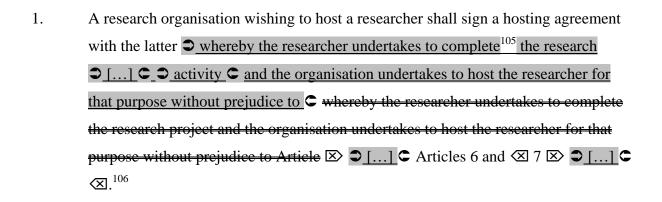
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DE, **NL**, **EL**, **ES** found the list of criteria excessive. **ES**: scrutiny reservation. **ES**, **DE** wanted to reduce the number of mandatory provisions in the hosting agreement so as to provide as much flexibility to Member States as possible, since even minimum mandatory requirements could harm the recruitment of researchers. **DE** stated that research organisations in its territory do not use hosting agreements and this article could bring some problems for them. NL argued, in the same line than DE, that the complex admission procedure would have negative effects for the admission of researchers. EL was of the opinion that the hosting agreement should be left, if possible, free of any elements that require a contractual relationship, in the framework of a specific research project, between the researcher and the host organisation. According to **EL** various cases have been reported that third-country researchers (e.g. Brazilians) are funded by national sources to complete part of their research activities (usually in the framework of doctoral studies) in a foreign country. Consequently, the research organisation has not other legal obligation (remuneration, social security, pension coverage, etc.) than to incorporate the researcher to its research activity. Thus, in this cases, the hosting agreement might be transformed into a commitment of the host organisation that will integrate, for a certain period of time, the researcher to its research initiatives. The researcher should have in his/her possession an official document by his/her funding source declaring, officially, that they will cover all of his/her stay for research purposes abroad. If hosting agreements were to be necessarily linked to research projects, then a specific provision should be foreseen for thirdcountry researchers that are accepted on European research organisations on the basis that researchers will cover all their costs during their stay in the EU for research purposes. CION replied that the changes introduced in this article are based on current practice in Member States and on comments from stakeholders.

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AT: scrutiny reservation. AT was of the opinion that the provision as suggested by PRES is insufficient and would prefer to go back to the old version. PL stated that the content should be mandatory in the agreement and that the simplifications have gone too far. ES expressed its reservation on this article since it is not always possible to know the dates of the research project as requested. BE presented a scrutiny reservation on this article since in its opinion it is a little too flexible. BE is concerned about the mobility implications of these changes. It wants more details. DE welcomed the changes in this article. CION said that it prefers the text as it was originally proposed by them. As other delegations mentioned, there should be some elements in the hosting agreements that should be mandatory. According to CION, there are already some elements which are obligatory in the current Directive on researchers, so it would not agree to lessen the minimum binding provisions.



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⊃ [...] C ⊃ Member States shall require the hosting agreement to contain C:

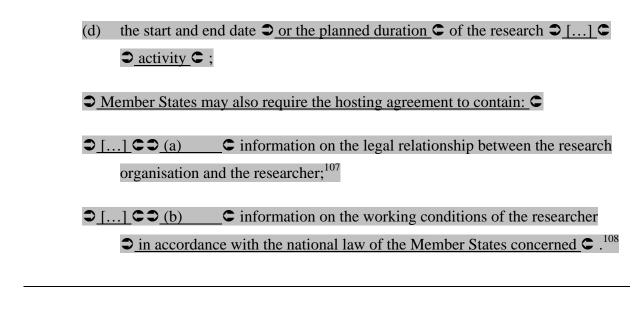
- the title and purpose of the research $\supset [...] \subset \supset$ activity \subset ; (a)
- (b) **⊃**[...] **⊂ ⊃** an undertaking by the researcher to endeavour to complete the research activity for which she or he has been admitted;
- (c) **(**c) **(**c) **(**c)

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FR suggested to clarify the meaning of the word "complete" by making clear that the undertaking automatically does entail an obligation of result. As an alternative to point (b), which now has been suggested by **PRES** to be deleted, **FR** suggested the following wording: "an undertaking by the researcher to complete the research project for which he has been admitted." NL agreed with the PRES changes but thought that FR suggestions are even better, so NL expressed support for the FR versions.

¹⁰⁶ **NL** stated that it would like the reference to Articles 6 and 7 in this paragraph to be deleted since it seems to impose on the research organisation an obligation to monitor whether the conditions laid down in those articles are respected. NL was of the opinion that this is not something for the research organisations to do. ES considered that the notions of "financial means" and "health insurance" should also be included in the points of this first paragraph.



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- 2. Research organisations may sign hosting agreements only if \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc
 - \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc the research \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc \bigcirc activity \bigcirc has been accepted by the relevant authorities in the organisation, after examination of:
 - (i) the purpose and duration of the research, and the availability of the necessary financial resources for it to be carried out;

researcher".

NL was of the opinion that this description is vague in the NL version of the text.

NL also thought that this description is vague in the NL version of the text. Therefore,

NL requested further clarification on sub-paragraphs (e) and (f). FR stated that the

wording « information on the working conditions of the researcher » lacks of

precision. Furthermore, information on the working conditions is available in the

working contract or the trainee agreement. FR proposes to delete point f) or to add the

following: "information on the working conditions of the researcher that is specified in

the hosting agreement or a specific agreement between the host entity and the

(ii) the researcher's qualifications in the light of the research objectives, as evidenced by a certified copy of his/her qualification in accordance with Article **3 C 1 ... C** (d)(b);

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- (b) during his/her stay the researcher has sufficient monthly resources to meet his/her

 expenses and return travel costs in accordance with the minimum amount published

 for the purpose by the Member State, without having recourse to the Member State's

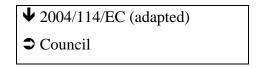
 social assistance system:
- (e) during his/her stay the researcher has siekness insurance for all the risks normally covered for nationals of the Member State concerned;
- (d) the hosting agreement specifies the legal relationship and working conditions of the researchers.

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3. Once the hosting agreement is signed, the research organisation may be required, in accordance with national legislation, to provide the researcher with an individual statement that for costs within the meaning of Article <u>≨8</u>(3) financial responsibility has been assumed. ¹⁰⁹

AT: scrutiny reservation. AT put forward that the reference to Article 8(3) in this paragraph is not sufficient. AT considered that "*financial means*" and "*health* insurance" should also be included in this paragraph. It would like to submit a new wording.

- 4. The hosting agreement shall automatically lapse when the researcher is not admitted or when the legal relationship between the researcher and the research organisation is terminated.
- 5. Research organisations shall promptly inform the authority designated for the purpose by the Member States of any occurrence likely to prevent implementation of the hosting agreement.¹¹⁰



Article 710

Specific conditions for students¹¹¹

- 1. In addition to the general conditions laid down in Article 6, a third-country national who applies to be admitted for the purpose of study shall:

DE, ES had doubts about the information requirement stipulated in this paragraph. They considered it to impose an extra administrative burden on Member States.

FI, AT: scrutiny reservation. AT, EE were of the opinion that, similar to the provisions in Article 7(4) and (5), students should also be allowed to submit an application when they are already in the territory of the Member State. ES would like to include a specific reference to "means of subsistence" in this article. PRES invited ES to clarify this in writing.

FR requested the inclusion of a "<u>formation continue</u>" system as the one currently applied in its territory. FI was of the opinion that this point should also include courses other than those pertaining to higher education.

- (b) (d) provide evidence, if the Member State so requires, that he/she has paid the fees charged by the $\sum [...] \subset \sum$ higher education institution $\subset \frac{1}{2}$:
- (b) provide the evidence requested by a Member State that during his/her stay he/she will have sufficient resources to cover his/her subsistence, study and return travel costs.

 Member States shall make public the minimum monthly resources required for the purpose of this provision, without prejudice to individual examination of each case; 113
 - (c) provide evidence, if the Member State so requires, of sufficient knowledge of the language of the course to be followed by him/her... 114
 - **②** (d)provide evidence requested by the Member State that he/she will have sufficient resources to cover his/her study costs. **ℂ**¹¹⁵

IT suggested the inclusion of a new paragraph which would allow Member States to provide for basic language training in the host country: "In case the student cannot prove that he/she possesses the requirement provided for in paragraph 1, point (c), and when Member States foresee it, the student can benefit from basic language training in the host Member State".

AT inquired whether Member States could request language certificates in this context to which **CION** suggested that the European Framework for Languages may be used as a point of reference with regard to language knowledge.

SE asked clarification on what "study costs" means and why it is requested for evidence to be provided. CION wondered whether this point (d) is not already covered by Article 6. HU disagreed and pointed out that Article 6 covers every category while in this point we are dealing with study costs which only applies to those who want to study in education institutions. HU therefore believed that these should stay in the specific conditions. NL stated that the fees in Article 6 are fees paid for application process while here the fees are paid to the education establishment, so NL was of the opinion that they are two diffeent categories of fees.

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CION clarified that this point was deleted because its content has been introduced in other provisions (Articles 6 and 30) of this proposal. AT acknowledged that this content is now in Article 6(1)(f) but criticised that this provision in Article 6(1)(f) is not consistent with other migration instruments, like the Seasonal Workers Directive proposal in which, for instance, the concept of "not having recourse to social assistance" is included, while in Article 6(1)(f) is lacking.

2. Students who automatically qualify for sickness insurance in respect of \boxtimes for \boxtimes all risks normally covered for the nationals of the Member State concerned as a result of enrolment at a $\bigcirc [...]$ \bigcirc higher education institution \bigcirc shall be presumed to meet the condition laid down in Article 6(1)(c).

Article 8

Mobility of students

1. Without prejudice to Articles 12(2), 16 and 18(2), a third-country national who has already been admitted as a student and applies to follow in another Member State part of the studies already commenced, or to complement them with a related course of study in another Member State, shall be admitted by the latter Member State within a period that does not hamper the pursuit of the relevant studies, whilst leaving the competent authorities sufficient time to process the application, if he/she:

- (a) meets the conditions laid down by Articles 6 and 7 in relation to that Member State; and
- (b) has sent, with his/her application for admission, full documentary evidence of his/her academic record and evidence that the course he/she wishes to follow genuinely complements the one he/she has completed; and
- (c) participates in a Community or bilateral exchange programme or has been admitted as a student in a Member State for no less than two years.
- 2. The requirements referred to in paragraph 1(e), shall not apply in the case where the student, in the framework of his/her programme of studies, is obliged to attend a part of his/her courses in an establishment of another Member State.

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FR requested an addition to this paragraph in order to enable Member States to apply their national systems. FR currently excludes students over the age of 28 from sickness insurance.

3. The competent authorities of the first Member State shall, at the request of the competent authorities of the second Member State, provide the appropriate information in relation to the stay of the student in the territory of the first Member State.

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Article 911

Specific conditions for school pupils¹¹⁷



(a) not be below the minimum age ⊃ or grade C nor above the maximum age
 or grade C set by the Member State concerned ⊃, insofar as this has been established by the Member State C; 119

PL, DE, BE, NL, EL: reservation to school pupils category becoming mandatory. FI, IT, AT, ES: scrutiny reservation.

FR suggested the following changes: "A third-country national who applies to be admitted in a pupil exchange scheme or a pedagogical project which requires mobility shall [...]"

FR proposed that the age should be expressly stated since this is important for insurance coverage.

- (b) provide evidence of acceptance by an ⊃[...] ⊂ education establishment;
- (c) provide evidence of participation in a ⊃[...] C pupil exchange scheme programme ¹²⁰ ⊃ recognised by the Member State and C operated by a ⊃[...] C ⊃[host entity or sponsor] C recognised for that purpose by the Member State concerned in accordance with its national legislation or administrative practice; ¹²¹

FR advocated about also inserting here the notion of "pedagogical project" ("projet pédagogique").

ES: scrutiny reservation. DE, HU pointed out that they do not have a recognition system as provided for in this point. They asked for more flexibility. DE would also like to introduce the notion of "reciprocity". CION pointed out that the proposal only covers pupil exchange within a recognised exchange scheme. CION stated that it is open to extend the scope to pupil exchanges outside recognised exchange schemes if there is a strong demand in this direction from delegations. Concerning "reciprocity", CION pointed out that in the Member States where this optional provision has been transposed, no relevant issues have arisen. FR suggested the following changes: "provide evidence of participation in a recognised pupil exchange scheme programme or a pedagogical project operated by an organisation recognised for that purpose by the Member State concerned in accordance with its national legislation or administrative practice;"

- (d) provide evidence that the ⊃[...] ⊂ ⊃[host entity or sponsor] ⊂ accepts responsibility for him/her throughout his/her period of presence in the territory of the Member State concerned, in particular as regards ⊃[...] ⊂ ⊃ study costs ⊂; 122
- (e) be accommodated throughout his/her stay by a family or a special accommodation facility within the education establishment meeting the conditions set by the Member State concerned and selected in accordance with the rules of the pupil exchange scheme in which he/she is participating.
- **⊃**(f) provide evidence, if the Member State so requires, of sufficient knowledge of the language of the studies to be followed by him/her. **C**
- 2. Member States may confine the admission of school pupils participating in an exchange scheme to nationals of third countries which offer the same possibility for their own nationals.

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in particular as regards subsistence, study, healthcare and return travel costs;"

FR suggested the following changes: "provide evidence that the pupil exchange organisation and/or the pedagogical project accepts responsibility for him/her throughout his/her period of presence in the territory of the Member State concerned,

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Article 1012

Specific conditions for unremunerated ⊃ unremunerated and remunerated C trainees 123

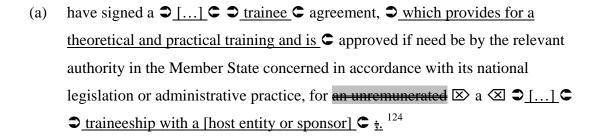
<u>1.</u> Subject to Article 3, <u>a</u> A third-country national who applies to be admitted as an unremunerated ⇒ or remunerated ⇔ trainee shall, in addition to the general conditions laid down in Article 6:

pupils. **RO** objected to the merging of unremunerated and remunerated trainees in the same category since the former is a category closer to students and the latter is a category closer to employees, which have access to the labour market. **PL**, **IT**, **LT** and **PT** also pointed out that it is very difficult to differentiate remunerated trainees from employees. **PL** stated that it does not agree with remunerated trainees not being subject to the labour market test. **PT** pointed out that in its national legislation there is a difference between "traineeship" which is paid and "vocational training" which is not paid. **BE** proposed that accommodation and assumption of responsibility by the organisation should be also added as conditions.

DE, RO, PT, AT, SI, EL, CZ: reservation to the inclusion of remunerated trainees

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category in the proposal. **NL**, **LV**, **EL**, **AT**: reservation to unremunerated trainees category becoming mandatory. **RO**, **FR**, **PL**, **FI**, **LV**, **IT**, **EE**, **BE**, **SI**, **SK**, **LT**, **ES**, **CZ**: scrutiny reservation on the whole article. **LV** could support the admission of trainees only under licensed education programmes and providing they are students or



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- (b) prove, if the Member State so requires, that they have previous relevant education or qualifications or professional experience to benefit from the

 ∫ [...] ← → training ← experience. 125

DE:

- requested clarification on the meaning of the wording: "[...] in accordance with its national legislation or administrative practice [...]".

ES: scrutiny reservation. **DE** was critical of this provision, specially given the uncertainty as to the possibility of performing a labour market test. **DE** explained that it does not currently admit trainees with low-level qualifications. **LT** supported **DE**'s comments about the possibility of this article being interpreted in a way that unskilled workers will have access to the labour market. **AT** stated that the mere evidence of relevant education or relevant qualifications or experience, as required in this point, may not exclude the use of unskilled workers as "trainees" according to this proposal. **AT** thinks this is particularly true in cases where the underlying agreement is not an education agreement, but merely a training programme which may include any practical activity.

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AT: scrutiny reservation.

⁻ wanted to know whether a labour market test could be done under this wording.

⁻ also asked to know what it is meant by "relevant authority".

⁻ wanted clarification on whether vocational training would be included as a form of traineeship, in which case, $\bf DE$ would object.

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(b) provide the evidence requested by a Member State that during his/her stay he/she will have sufficient resources to cover his/her subsistence, training and return travel costs.

The Member States shall make public the minimum monthly resources required for the purpose of this provision, without prejudice to individual examination of each case;

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(c) ⊃ prove that he/she has received or will ℂ receive, if the Member State so requires, ⊃ [...] ℂ ⊃ appropriate ℂ language training so as to acquire the knowledge needed for the purposes of the ⊃ [...] ℂ ⊃ traineeship ℂ . 126

AT stated that it is not clear who decides if the condition has been fulfilled. **PRES** answered that it is the Member State that decides. AT also pointed out that DE version should use a different term when referring to trainees to avoid further confusion.

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The agreement referred to in point (a) shall describe the training programme, specify its duration, \bigcirc placement conditions under which the traineeship will be carried out, \bigcirc the conditions under which the trainee is supervised in the performance of this programme, his/her \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc \bigcirc traineeship \bigcirc hours, the legal relationship with the \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc \bigcirc [host entity or sponsor] \bigcirc and, where the trainee is \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc \bigcirc paid \bigcirc , the \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc \bigcirc payment \bigcirc granted to him/her. \bigcirc Member States shall require the terms upon which the trainee agreement has been based and concluded to meet requirements established in national law. \bigcirc

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☐ Member States may require the training programmes referred to in paragraph 1 to be licensed in accordance with national law and/or to contain specific requirements for third-country nationals wishing to be admitted as unremunerated or remunerated trainees.

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DE, FI, SI, EL, AT, PT, NL found that this provision is insufficient to prevent abuses. All of them were also of the opinion that a labour market test should be possible under this provision.

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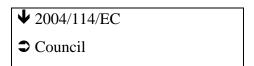
Specific conditions for volunteers¹²⁸

(a) not be below the minimum age nor above the maximum age set by the Member

State concerned; (a) where required under a Member State's national law, not be below the minimum age nor above the maximum age 129 set by the Member State concerned; (C)

BE, NL, DE, LV, FI, AT, ES: reservation to volunteers category becoming mandatory. AT specified that if the mandatory extension to cover volunteers is provided for, the Member States must be given at least the opportunity to set a quota. FR, IT: scrutiny reservation. EL: supported this category becoming mandatory. NL stated that there is a big risk of abuse, since volunteers could be used to fill employees' jobs. DE already has national legislation dealing in detail with this category and it

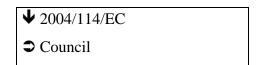
does not see the need to make this category mandatory at EU level. **ES** expressed its reservation against the reference "the maximum age".



 \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc \bigcirc (b) \bigcirc produce an agreement with the \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc \bigcirc [host entity or sponsor cresponsible in the Member State concerned for the voluntary service scheme in which he/she is participating, giving a description of tasks and actions to be performed by him/her, the placement conditions for carrying out such tasks and actions **C**, the conditions in which he/she is supervised in the performance of those tasks, his/her \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc ○ volunteering C hours, ○ [...] C ○ the obligation of the [host entity or money throughout his/her stay $\bigcirc [...] \subset \Box$ and, if appropriate, the training he/she will receive to help him/her perform his/her service; 130

¹³⁰ **ES**: scrutiny reservation. **IT** proposed an alternative wording for this point: "show a contract signed with the social utility and non-profit organisation which promotes the chosen voluntary action and/or active citizenship scheme in the concerned Member State, that specifies the tasks and actions to be performed by the volunteer, the placement conditions for carrying out such tasks and actions, his/her schedule, the financial resources allotted for the reimbursement of expenses -effectively incurredfor the trip, meals and accommodation during the whole stay as well as, if provided for in the volunteer's scheme, the training he/she will receive as a support for performing his/her tasks".





specifically requires it, \bigcirc that he/she will \bigcirc receive a basic introduction to the language, history and political and social structures of that Member State. 132

the volunteers' scheme has taken out a public liability insurance with regard to the

individuals entering as volunteers".

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ES: scrutiny reservation. PL, RO, IT, AT, CY did not agree with the last part of this point being deleted and wanted it to be reinserted. The risks of civil liability are low, and therefore it is reasonable that the insurance covers more (subsistence, healthcare and return travel costs). AT added that the organisation of the volunteer programme does not only have liability, but it also has to meet other responsibilities regarding compliance with the national legislation of the Member States, in particular regarding the subsistence, healthcare and return travel costs of the third-country national. IT proposed an alternative wording for this point: "prove that the organisation promoting

FR sought more information from CION on whether the basic introduction to the language, history and political and social structures of the Member State would take place prior to or during the volunteering period. FR also inquired on who would bear the costs of such introduction. CION answered that this is up to Member States to regulate.

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Article 14

Specific conditions for au-pairs 133

• A third-country national who applies to be admitted for the purpose of working as an au-pair shall, in addition to the general conditions laid down in Article 6: ⊃[...] C ⊃ (a) __ C produce an agreement between the au-pair and the [host family \bigcirc or sponsor \bigcirc defining his/her rights and obligations, including specifications about \supseteq the amount of \subseteq the pocket money to be received, **⊃** [...] **C** adequate arrangements allowing him/her to attend courses referred to in Article 3(i) and the maximum hours of \square [...] participation in day-to-day family duties; ⊃ [...] C⊃ (b) **C** be **⊃** [...] **C ⊃** of the age required under the national law of the Member State;

of stay actually pursues a different aim than the one foreseen in this proposal.

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opportunity to refuse to grant residence where any suggestion exists that the purpose

RO, FR, EE, PL, SK, IT: scrutiny reservation. PL: linguist reservation concerning the term "au-pairs". DE, BE, HU, NL, LV, FI, SI, PT, AT, EL, ES, CZ: reservation to the inclusion of au-pairs category in the proposal. NL however could accept the inclusion of the category if it is optional. AT further explained its reservation by referring to problems with the subsidiarity principle and the legal basis, as well as by referring to the fact that experience shows that this group is prone to abuse and circumventing activities. AT also pointed out that Member States need to have the

- (d) provide evidence of basic knowledge of the language of the host country. □ (135)

- 4. The maximum length of performance of the au-pair duties by the third-country national, as foreseen in the agreement referred to in the paragraph 1 (a), shall not exceed 30 hours per week. The third-country national shall have at least one day per week free of au-pair duties.

CZ stated that the costs of health care should be borne by the au-pair and that this should be explicitly stipulated in the text.

AT, SI: scrutiny reservation. AT welcomed this addition but it is not sure how Member States are empowered to apply this provision. BE, SE received positively this inclusion. SE preferred this provision to be optional though. FI was of the opinion that the request of a language certificate was necessary.

IT pointed out that the conditions of this paragraph seem too stringent. **CION** had a reservation concerning this paragraph.

SE, FI, PT, BE stated that the issues of nationality should be deleted since it could give rise to some legal questions. DE stated that even if it could understand the concerns expressed by other delegation, it is in favour of keeping this provision.

<u>5.</u> ⊃[...] **©**

<u>↑[...]</u> <u>↑ 5.</u> <u>♠ Member States may set a minimum amount of pocket money to be paid to the third-country national according to the paragraph 1 (a).</u>

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Article 9

Family members

- 1. When a Member State decides to grant a residence permit to the family members of a researcher, the duration of validity of their residence permit shall be the same as that of the residence permit issued to the researcher insofar as the period of validity of their travel documents allows it. In duly justified cases, the duration of the residence permit of the family member of the researcher may be shortened.
- 2. The issue of the residence permit to the family members of the researcher admitted to a Member State shall not be made dependent on the requirement of a minimum period of residence of the researcher.

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CHAPTER III

AUTHORISATIONS AND DURATION OF RESIDENCE¹³⁸

Article 15

Authorisations 139

NL, AT, DE: scrutiny reservation on the whole article.

DE, supported by **AT**, did not agree with the new wording in this provision and preferred the original wording. **PL**, **LV** agreed with and supported these changes. According to **PL**, previous wording seemed to introduce a new residence permit when it is not the case. **CION** answered that its proposal does not refer to a new type of permit and that in its opinion the original proposed text was already clear that the permit was not a new one. **FR** advocated for the extension of the target audiences of this proposal, in order to regularize the situation of young people working in the context or a « *youth exchange programs for non-academic accomplishments*» and of « *youth workers for training visits and networking* ».

HU did not agree with the mention of "school pupils" since it would like to extend the scope to other types of pupils. **PRES** asked **HU** to produce its request in writing.

ES: scrutiny reservation on the whole chapter.

Concerning the inclusion of codes (numerical, acronyms):

⁻ In favour: CZ, PT

⁻ Against: SE, DE, NL, AT, IT, CION

⁻ Scrutiny reservation: PL

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Duration of residence permit 142

1. Member States shall issue $\frac{\text{a residence}}{\text{permit}}$ ⇒ an authorisation for researchers ⇒ for a period of at least one year and shall renew it if the conditions laid down in Articles 6, and 7 \boxtimes and 9 \boxtimes are still met. If the research \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc \bigcirc activity \bigcirc is scheduled to last less than one year, the residence permit ⇒ authorisation \bigcirc shall be issued \bigcirc at least \bigcirc for the duration of the \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc \bigcirc activity \bigcirc . \bigcirc . \bigcirc . \bigcirc .

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HU wanted to make sure that this is not about the entrance visa but a long-term visa. HU also stated that it would be useful to have a reference in this article to Article 24(3) of this proposal.

IT, AT: scrutiny reservation on the whole article. **BE** stated that the definition of and references to authorisation need to be improved.

AT preferred to retain the term "project" since it is narrower than "activity".

ES did not think that this paragraph is sufficiently flexible and that it does not cover properly cases in which the period if less than one year. BE also asked whether it is possible to work with a visa of less than a year. AT also put forward that as the provision is worded it is necessary to have a passport with a duration of at least 1 year left. It asked what happens in the case of a passport that have only 6 months left. The current provision would be insufficient to deal with that case.

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- 2. Member States shall issue an authorisation for students for a period of at least one year ¹⁴⁵ and shall renew it if the conditions laid down in Articles 6 and 10 ¹⁴⁶ are still met. If the period of studies is scheduled to last less than one year, the authorisation shall be issued

 at least
 for the duration of the studies. ¹⁴⁷
- Member States shall issue an authorisation for school pupils for a period of at least one year and shall renew it if the conditions laid down in Articles 6 and 11 are still met. If the period of studies is scheduled to last less than one year, the authorisation shall be issued at least for the duration of the studies.

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- ⊃[...] C ⊃ 4. C For ⊃[...] C au pairs, Member States shall issue an authorisation for a maximum period of one year 149. ⊃ This authorisation shall not be renewable. C

CZ suggested to make reference to "academic year" or "semester" instead of "one year".

AT stated that Article 19 should also be included.

FR suggested that if the propositions presented under articles 3 and 11 are to be taken into account, this article would also have to be coherent with the addition of two new target audiences:

[&]quot;Member States shall issue an authorisation for the duration of the exchange program for third country national involved in a non-academic project operated by a youth structure recognised for that purpose by the Member State, and for « youth workers for training visits and networking »".

NL stated that one year is more than adequate, did not agree with the possibility of renewal and would like to change "shall" for "may". FR wanted the length of the residence permit to match the period of study. SE, BE, DE preferred CION text ("Member States shall issue an authorisation for a maximum period of one year").

ES expressed its reservation on the duration of residence for au-pairs since it does not agree with the inclusion of this category in the proposal. FR wanted the length of the residence permit to match the period of study. DE thought that one year is too much since au-pairs are allowed to stay significantly less in DE. AT supported DE. LU liked the wording suggested by PRES since it is that way already in their legislation.

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- issued to <u>unremunerated</u> ⊃ <u>unremunerated and remunerated</u> ⊂ trainees shall correspond to the duration of the ⊃ [...] ⊂ ⊃ <u>traineeship</u> ⊂ or shall be for a maximum of one year. In exceptional cases, it may be renewed, once only ⇒ ⊃ [...] ⊂ □ and exclusively for such time as is needed to ⊃ [...] ⊂ ⊃ to complete the traineeship, insofar as this is provided for in national law and ⊂ provided the holder still meets the conditions laid down in Articles 6 and ±0 ⊠ 12 ⊲ 150
- Member States may determine that, where the validity of the travel document of the third-country national is shorter than one year, the validity of the requested authorisation will not go beyond the validity of the travel document.
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DE, AT: scrutiny reservation. BG, PL suggested that this paragraph should be shorter and more clear like the previous paragraphs in this article. PL, FR wanted the authorisation to cover the whole duration of the traineeship.

BG pointed out that in this paragraph "residence permit" is used instead of "authorisation", while it suggested that the term "authorisation" should be used.

DE, AT: scrutiny reservation. SK, AT preferred "shall" instead of "may".

ES, PL, HU: scrutiny reservation. AT welcomed the insertion of this paragraph.

the first year © on the basis of a long-stay visa, a residence permit shall be issued with the first extension of the initial stay if the conditions laid down in Articles 6 and 7, 9, 10, 12 or 13 are still met © . Image: 154

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¹⁵⁴ CZ: scrutiny reservation, the long-stay visa should remain a matter for the Member States to regulate. **HU** pointed out that this paragraph refers to long-stay visas and not to entry visas, which are linked to residence permits, and therefore asked whether this apply to non-Schengen countries that have competence for visas. AT welcomed the deletion of last sentence on this paragraph. PL, DE supported the changes made to this paragraph. BE would like to obtain some clarifications from PRES concerning this paragraph: is it still possible to deliver a long-stay visa for a period inferior to a year (for example 4 months) and following this period deliver a residence permit? According to **BE**, the expression "during the first year" could imply that only longstay visas of one year could be delivered. CION would like to keep the text as proposed or at least would like to have a text in which people do not need to submit again an application. CION would like to distinguish between an application to enter the territory and an application to renew the authorisation. **CION** made a reservation about the deletion of the last part of the paragraph. 155

⁵ **AT**: scrutiny reservation.

FR was of the opinion that additional information should be included in the visa or permit and that this should be explicitly stated in this article. Concerning the list of Member States mentioned in this article, FR also pointed out that for stays below 3 months such a list is not necessary.

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CHAPTER IV¹⁵⁷

RESIDENCE PERMITS © GROUNDS FOR REFUSAL, WITHDRAWAL OR NONRENEWAL OF AUTHORISATIONS ✓

Article 12

Residence permit issued to students

- 1. A residence permit shall be issued to the student for a period of at least one year and renewable if the holder continues to meet the conditions of Articles 6 and 7. Where the duration of the course of study is less than one year, the permit shall be valid for the duration of the course.
- 2. Without prejudice to Article 16, renewal of a residence permit may be refused or the permit may be withdrawn if the holder:
- (a) does not respect the limits imposed on access to economic activities under Article 17:
- (b) does not make acceptable progress in his/her studies in accordance with national legislation or administrative practice.

ES: scrutiny reservation on the whole chapter.

Article 13

Residence permit issued to school pupils

A residence permit issued to school pupils shall be issued for a period of no more than one year.

Article 14

Residence permit issued to unremunerated trainees

The period of validity of a residence permit issued to unremunerated trainees shall correspond to the duration of the placement or shall be for a maximum of one year. In exceptional cases, it may be renewed, once only and exclusively for such time as is needed to acquire a vocational qualification recognised by a Member State in accordance with its national legislation or administrative practice, provided the holder still meets the conditions laid down in Articles 6 and 10.

Article 15

Residence permit issued to volunteers

A residence permit issued to volunteers shall be issued for a period of no more than one year.

In exceptional cases, if the duration of the relevant programme is longer than one year, the duration of the validity of the residence permit may correspond to the period concerned.

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Article 18

Grounds for \bigcirc refusal \bigcirc \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc 158

- 1. Member States shall \bigcirc refuse \bigcirc \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc an application in the following cases:
 - (a) where the general conditions laid down in Article 6 ⊃ or ⊂ ⊃ [...] ⊂ the relevant specific conditions laid down in Articles 7, ⊃ [...] ⊂ 10 to ⊃ 14 or ⊂ 16 are not met; 159
 - (b) where the documents presented have been fraudulently acquired, falsified or tampered with;

¹⁵⁸ **IT, ES**: scrutiny reservation. **SE**: linguistic reservation. Several delegations requested the addition of new grounds in this article:

⁻ **DE, NL, AT** requested that "willingness of the applicant to return" be included as new grounds. **CION** did not support the inclusion of this new ground for refusal.

⁻ IT also proposed the inclusion of the following new point: "(f) if elements appear that are deemed to be justified and well-grounded, and also if clear evidence of incoherence and circumvention of specific immigration rules also emerges".

DE agreed with points (a) and (b) of paragraph 1. AT agreed with the changes in this

DE agreed with points (a) and (b) of paragraph 1. **AT** agreed with the changes in this article. **HU** agreed with paragraphs 1 and 2.

IT, BG, ES, SI, CZ, RO, AT, EL, SE, PL: scrutiny reservation on the use of the word "sponsor" throughout the article. NL pointed out that after comments from delegations it is working in finding and alternative word to "sponsor". CION: reservation on the notion of "sponsorship".

EL wanted to add here the new suggested Article 5a dealing with volumes of admission, since EL would like volumes of admission to be a reason for refusal of an application submitted under the terms of this proposal. Therefore, the proposed point (a) would be as follows: "Where the general conditions laid down in Article 5a, 6 or the relevant specific conditions laid down in Article 7, 10 to 14 or 16 are not met.".

Due to this addition, EL suggested that paragraph 3 of this article should be deleted.

- where the [host entity \bigcirc or sponsor \bigcirc] \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc was established \bigcirc or is operating for the main \bigcirc \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc purpose of facilitating entry; 160
- (d) where the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the third-country national intends to reside or carry out an activity for purposes other than those for which he/she applies to be admitted; the following purposes of the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the competent authorities of the Member State provide evidence that the competent authorities of the competent authorities are competent authorities of the competent authorities of the competent authorities are competent authorities of the competent authorities are competent authorities of the competent authorities are competent authorities and competent authorities are competent authorities and competent authorities are competent

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- 2. Member States may ⊃<u>refuse</u> ⊂ ⊃ [...] ⊂ an application ⊃<u>in the following</u> cases: ⊂
 - ② (a) where ℂ ③ [...] ℂ the [host entity ② or sponsor ℂ] appears to have deliberately eliminated the positions it is trying to fill through the new application within the 12 months immediately preceding the date of the application; ¹⁶²

DE: scrutiny reservation on this point.

DE, AT, PL, SE, SK: scrutiny reservation, since the word "evidence" seems too right and difficult to comply with.

ES expressed a reservation on this point. ES is concerned about the relation between specific groups of this proposal and the notion of "worker". ES is of the opinion that this proposal should not determine the conditions of entry and residence of workers.

PL criticised that there is no information in this article about whether the host entity covers the host family. In addition, PL said that this provision should be mandatory. CZ supported the inclusion of this provision by PRES. SE supported the fact that this provision had been made optional, even though SE still saw problems with its implementation.

- (c) where the business of the [host entity or sponsor □] is being or has been wound up under national insolvency laws or the [host entity or sponsor □] does not have adequate financial resources to grant satisfying conditions of stay or residence to the third-country national; 164
- (d) where the [host family or the sponsor] has been sanctioned in conformity with national law for breach of the conditions and/or objectives of au-pair placements; 165
- where the terms of employment according to applicable laws, collective agreements or practices in the Member State where the [host entity \bigcirc or sponsor \bigcirc] is established are not met. \bigcirc
- of admission of third-country nationals entering its territory for □ [...] □ the purposes referred to in Article 2(1) □, where they are considered to be workers in accordance with the national law of the Member State concerned . On this basis and for the purposes of this Directive, an application for authorisation may be either considered inadmissible or be refused. □ 168

DE suggested, for the sake of consistency, to put this point in line with the equivalent provision in the Seasonal Workers and ICT Directive proposals.

PL, SE had doubts about how this point could be applied.

ES expressed a reservation on this point. ES is concerned about the relation between specific groups of this proposal and the notion of "worker". ES is of the opinion that this proposal should not determine the conditions of entry and residence of workers. SE welcomed the inclusion of this point.

FR made a reservation on this wording.

AT, ES, FR, EL, DE: scrutiny reservation. HU expressed doubts about the justification of the limitation formulated in this paragraph concerning the volumes of admission. HU considered that this provision goes beyond what it is stipulated in Article 79(5) of the TFUE concerning the volumes of admission. CION was against the inclusion of the volumes of admission here. CION also was concerned about whether this paragraph applies to students. It thinks it should not since their main purpose to come to the EU is to study and not to work.

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1. Member States may ⇒ shall ⇔ withdraw or refuse to renew ⊃ or refuse to renew caresidence permit issued on the basis of this Directive when it has been fraudulently acquired or wherever it appears that the holder did not meet or no longer meets the conditions for entry and residence laid down in Article 6 and in whichever of Articles 7 to 11 applies to the relevant category. ⇒ an authorisation in the following cases: ⇔ 170

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PL, FR, IT, SE, DE: scrutiny reservation. AT stated that a reference to volumes of admission is lacking in this article. NL, supported by AT, FI, DE, SE wanted to include the following extra ground for withdrawal or non-renewal: "where the terms of employment according to applicable laws, collective agreements or practices in the Member State where the host entity is established are not met."

NL, HU and AT were against taking out the deleted part in this paragraph, and therefore they would like to have it back.

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- (a) where the holder no longer meets the general conditions laid down in Article 6, except for Article 6(d), or the relevant specific conditions laid down in Articles 7, 10 to 14 or 16 were not met or are no longer met;
- <u>O (b)</u> C where authorisations <u>O [...]</u> C <u>O or</u> C documents presented have been fraudulently acquired, falsified or tampered with;
- out an activity¹⁷¹ for purposes other than those for which he/she was authorised to reside;
- \bigcirc where the [host entity \bigcirc or sponsor \bigcirc] was established \bigcirc or is operating \bigcirc for the \bigcirc main \bigcirc \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc purpose of facilitating entry;
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¹⁷¹ **CION** questioned what the added-value of the addition of this wording is.

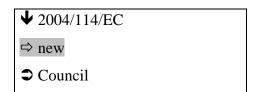
- ⊃ 1a. ⊃ [...] ⊂ ⊃ Member States may withdraw or refuse to renew an authorisation in the following cases:
 - (a) if the [host entity or sponsor] has been sanctioned in conformity with national law for undeclared work and/or illegal employment or does not meet the legal obligations regarding social security and/or taxation set out in national law;
 - wound up under national insolvency laws or [host entity ⊃ or sponsor □] is being or has been wound up under national insolvency laws or [host entity ⊃ or sponsor □] entity does not have adequate financial resources to grant satisfying conditions of stay or residence to the third-country national; 172
 - (c) where the [host family or the sponsor] has been sanctioned in conformity with national law for breach of the conditions and/or objectives of au-pair placements; 173
 - (d) for students, where the time limits imposed on access to economic activities under Article 23 are not respected or if the respective student does not make acceptable progress¹⁷⁴ in the relevant studies in accordance with national legislation or administrative practice.¹⁷⁵ C

DE suggested, for the sake of consistency, to put this point in line with the equivalent provisions in the Seasonal Workers and ICT Directive proposals.

DE: scrutiny reservation. SE wondered how the host family can be sanction collectively.

CZ had problems with the wording "acceptable progress".

DE, BG: scrutiny reservation.



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Article 10

Withdrawal or non renewal of the residence permit

1. Member States may withdraw or refuse to renew a residence permit issued on the basis of this Directive when it has been fraudulently acquired or wherever it appears that the holder did not meet or no longer meets the conditions for entry and residence provided by Articles 6 and 7 or is residing for purposes other that that for which he was authorised to reside.

According to **CION** the wording "assessing the progress" is too vague.

AT, SE, SI, PT wondered how this paragraph was going to work in practice. Requesting the opinion of universities can significantly delay things since it produces a lot of red tape for them. It should be a "may" clause. EL was against the use of the word "opinion" and against deleting "educational establishment". CION pointed out that it does not need to be a "formal" opinion from universities. The idea is to give some elements to determine whether there has been acceptable progress.

CZ stated that it would like to make a modification to this paragraph as follows: "[...] possible threat to public policy, public security or public health".

2. Member States may withdraw or refuse to renew a residence permit on grounds of public policy, public security or public health.

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Grounds for non-renewal of an authorisation

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CHAPTER V

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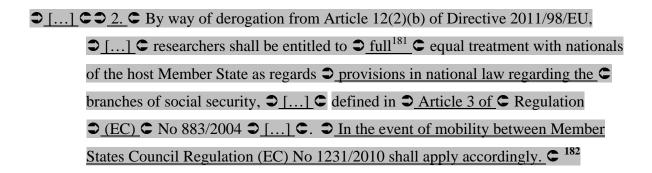
■ 1. Unremunerated and remunerated trainees, school pupils, volunteers and au-pairs, when they are considered to be workers or are allowed to work by virtue of the national law of the Member State concerned, and students shall enjoy equal treatment as provided for by Directive 2011/98/EU.

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DE, RO, AT, BG, FR, CZ, BE, HU, IT, FI, SI, PT, MT, EL, SK, PL: scrutiny reservation. ES: reservation. CZ argued against the inclusion in this proposal of equal treatment rights in social security for non-economically active groups since, due to the lack of economic activity, they do not contribute to the national social security systems. AT stated that full equal treatment seems to be exaggerated in view of the temporary nature of the activities. CION answered that the rights stemming from this article are relatively limited and therefore they would not affect significantly the social security systems of the Member States. BG stated that even if it has a positive stance towards this proposal as a whole, it does not agree in particular with this provision on equal treatment.

DE, FI, AT, FR, SI, SK, PL, IT: scrutiny reservation. ES presented a reservation on the drafting of this paragraph. DE, FI, AT, ES, IT requested this paragraph to be brought in line with the Single Permit Directive. SK pointed out that this article refers to "equal treatment" while recital 36 refers to "fair treatment". CION stated that this proposal is different from the proposals on seasonal workers and intra-corporate transferees and that therefore it cannot simply be copied here from the Single Permit Directive as has been done with the other two proposals. CION deemed that this proposal is more complex due to the different categories included and that therefore here it is needed a different wording than the one in the Single Permit Directive. CION also pointed out that this paragraph does not need to explicitly mention the exceptions stipulated in the Single Permit Directive since it makes reference to the whole text of the Single Permit Directive, exceptions included.



AT, DE, IT, FI, ES: scrutiny reservation.

AT stated that researchers being entitled to "full equal treatment with nationals of the host Member State" means that family benefits are implicitly included. It is against the inclusion of family benefits. **DE** supported **AT**, and also pointed out that equal treatment, including family benefits, applies to researchers residing in the territory over 6 months, according to the Single Permit Directive, but not for residence under 6 months. **IT** also mentioned the problem of the social security payments for researcher's family. **EL**, **HU** agreed with the changes to this provision. **HU** also pointed out that Regulation 1231/2010 should be "EU", instead of "EC". **CION** wanted to precise that it created in its proposal an exception from the Single Permit Directive, but only to the extent to keep the same level of rights for researchers as it is currently stipulated in the Researchers Directive in force. As far as equal treatment for researchers is concerned, **DE**, **AT**, **HU**, **FI** and **PL** found the relationship of this paragraph with the Single Permit Directive unclear, particularly

since Recital 36 of this proposal provides equal treatment for all groups (even though au-pairs are excluded from the Single Permit Directive and volunteers/pupils/unremunerated trainees have no access to the labour market). **BG** stated that the procedure applicable to researchers should be similar to that provided for in the Blue Card Directive. AT and EL stated that researchers can be covered by a bilateral agreement on social security. They requested that a mention to such social security bilateral agreements be inserted here, similar to the one included in Article 14(2)(c) of the ICT Directive proposal. As far as family benefits are concerned, IT, MT, LV, AT and EL were against their inclusion in this provision on equal treatment on the grounds that family benefits are not included in the ICT Directive proposal. LT stated that this article deals with researchers and their right to family benefits, when currently they do not fall under the scope of neither the Single Permit Directive nor the Blue Card Directive since researchers are not treated as employees. Therefore family benefits cannot be applied to researchers. LT proposed to clarify the definition of researchers so that it would be clear whether they could be put on the same level with employees and therefore whether they could be entitled to family benefits. CION was against the exclusion of the family benefits from this paragraph, as proposed by the above-mentioned Member States, since it would mean a step back from Article 12(c) of the current Directive on Researchers (Directive 2005/71).

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CY was of the opinion that the reference to "full" should be deleted.

Concerning the new wording suggested by **PRES**:

au-pairs, irrespective of whether they are allowed to work in accordance with Union or national law, shall be entitled to equal treatment in relation to access to goods and services and the supply of goods and services made available to the public, except procedures for obtaining housing ⊃, study and vocational training grants or services provided by public employment services, ℂ as provided for by national law. ¹⁸³

◆ 2005/71/EC (adapted)

Article <u>##</u> <u>22</u>

Teaching \boxtimes by researchers \boxtimes

★ Researchers admitted under this Directive may teach in accordance with national legislation.
 Member States may set a maximum number of hours or of days for the activity of teaching.

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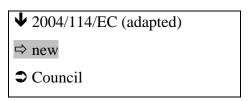
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On the **PRES** addition:

DE, AT, CZ: scrutiny reservation. **ES**: reservation since the wording of the paragraph is confusing. **CION** also had a reservation on the additions that have been made to the exceptions.

NL and AT proposed the deletion of this paragraph since it is going too far. SI introduced scrutiny reservation on "access to goods and services and the supply of goods and services made available to the public" and asked for clarification of the term "available to the public". SI also entered a linguistic reservation to this whole paragraph. DE and EL suggested the exclusion of study and vocational training grants from the scope of this paragraph. LV also proposed the exclusion of employment services. Furthermore, BE proposed the exclusion of disability benefits. FR requested clarification on the distinction between housing and student accommodation, since FR is of the opinion that accommodation should be permitted for students.



CHAPTER IV

TREATMENT OF THE THIRD-COUNTRY NATIONALS CONCERNED

Article 17 23

Economic activities by students¹⁸⁴

- 1. Outside their study time and subject to the rules and conditions applicable to the relevant activity in the host Member State, students shall be entitled to be employed and may be entitled to exercise self-employed economic activity. The situation of the labour market in the host Member State may be taken into account.¹⁸⁵
- <u>2.</u> Where necessary, Member States shall grant students and/or employers prior authorisation in accordance with national legislation.

AT, FR, CZ, SK, EL: scrutiny reservation. DE, SE, LU, FI: support this provision. PL criticised that in this article is still not clear whether the right to access to employment is available to researchers and students that are using the right to mobility, and the same applies to their families.

EL considered that the Member States should check the situation of the national labour market, as a mandatory clause, having the right no to, as an optional derogation.

Each Member State shall determine the maximum number of hours per week or days or months per year allowed for such an activity, which shall not be less than

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CZ, SK, DE supported PRES change to 15 hours. NL preferred 10 hours as it is the case in the current Directive. This is a minimum so Member States still enjoy a degree of flexibility. AT, EL, MT supported NL, preferring a figure of 10 hours. AT is also against the deletion of the old paragraph 3. EL pointed out that as an alternative to a minimum figure, it would agree with a general provision dealing with the right of the Member States to decide the exact figure. IT prefers a maximum limit rather than a minimum limit as it is the case now. ES introduced a scrutiny reservation, but received well the idea of the reduction to 15 hours. FR finds it more relevant to reason in terms of a working hours ceiling per year, instead of referring to a minimum threshold. In FR, a student is not allowed to work more than the equivalent of 60% of a full-time job, that is to say 964 hours per year. FR thinks that this system gives more flexibility. SE agreed with FR that flexibility is needed. In SE, students can work without any limitation, therefore SE would prefer not to put any limit at all. CION insisted in maintaining the minimum of 20 hours per week, and stressed the fact that it can also be calculated in days and months per year.

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ES: reservation. NL and RO were of the opinion that 20 hours per week are too much and could impact negatively in the main activity of studying. NL preferred 10 to 15 hours. **RO** wanted to get back to 10 hours. **RO**, **EE** and **AT** also were concerned that this high amount of hours allowed for working purposes could create the risk of a "back door" access to the labour market. NL and AT agreed on considering that a minimum of 20 hours per week conflicts with the labour market test, since Member States may wish to limit access of students to employment below that minimum. FR did not agree with a minimum of 20 hours per week. 904 hours is the maximum number of hours allowed by **FR** legislation. The minimum of 20 hours "muds" the distinction between students and workers. FR thought that a good compromise would be to let this matter to be decided at national law level. **BE** and **IT** stated that they could accept 20 hours per week but as a maximum. IT exposed that it should be given a minimum and a maximum number of hours and then let the Member States to decide on the final figure. Legislation in **DE** already deals with number of hours allowed for students to work so **DE** is not against this provision. **SE** also has legislation without limitation in terms of hours. National legislation in LU provides for 10 hours per week but the increase to 20 hours per week would be acceptable for LU.

3. Access to economic activities for the first year of residence may be restricted by the host Member State. 188

4. Member States may require students to report, in advance or otherwise, to an authority designated by the Member State concerned, that they are engaging in an economic activity. Their employers may also be subject to a reporting obligation, in advance or otherwise.



Article 24

○ Extension of the right of residence for the purposes of **○** job-searching and entrepreneurship for researchers and students 189

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Some delegations put forward their wishes to insert additional conditions:

- **SK**: for the setting up of a business, students/researchers should apply before their studies/research are finished in order to avoid to be a burden for the social security of the Member State.
- PL, SI: there should be a express reference to "sufficient means of subsistence".

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AT is against the deletion of this paragraph. LU: scrutiny reservation.

BE, FR, IT, SI, DE, LU, ES, EL, CZ: scrutiny reservation. ES: linguistic reservation on the concept of launching a business. EL Parliament's views are against this provision being mandatory. EL expressed strong concerns regarding the right of third-country nationals to have an automatic right to seek job or set up a business. EL was of the opinion that Member States should have the right to decide whether they will grant that right of extra residence period for that purpose while taking into account the situation in the national labour market. In this spirit, EL opposed to the proposed distinction between "job seeking" and "access to the labour market". FR would like this article to be applicable also to other categories, not just students and researchers. It would present something along these lines in writing. FI, PL, EE, PT, SE, NL: support.

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AT, HU, FR, LV, BE, SI: supported the reduction to 6 months. DE, CZ: scrutiny reservation. DE stated that it could support a period of 18 months since this is the case already in its legislation. CZ did not agree with 6 months, it preferred 3 months and that this provision should be optional and not mandatory. CY could accept 12 months for researchers, but not for students, au-pairs and the other categories. Alternatively, it should be left to the Member States to decide. CION continued to support its original proposal of 12 months.

Several delegations requested clarification:

⁻ on the concept of setting up a business (FI, IT).

⁻ on access to benefits (**FI**). **MT** stated that such access should be excluded. **CION** stated that the need for "sufficient resources" under Article 6 of this proposal *de facto* excludes any access to social assistance.

⁻ on what "genuine chance of being engaged" means (IT). CION explained that the student/researcher would have to provide evidence such as a job offer.

⁻ on whether this article would be applicable in cases where Member States apply a zero quota (**DE**). **CION** answered that a communication from the Member State that the quota is zero should be enough.

- D ⊃ [...] C ⊃ 2. C For the purpose of stay referred to in paragraph 1, ⊃ [...] C provided that conditions laid down in ⊃ Article 6(1) C points (a) and (c) to (f) ⊃ [...] C are fulfilled, Member States shall issue ⊃ or renew an authorisation C ⊃ [...] C other than foreseen in Article 15 to the third-country national ⊃ and, where relevant, to his family members C according to their national law. ⊃ [...] C C 192
- Solution 2. If the conditions provided for in paragraph 1 are no longer fulfilled, Member States shall withdraw the authorisation of the third country national and his/her family members according to their national law. Member States may also withdraw the authorisation if the third-country national is seeking employment or is in the process of setting a business which does not correspond to the level of research or studies finalised by the third-country national.

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AT agreed with the inclusion of this paragraph but thinks that it should be optional whether the Member State grants a residence permit or a visa in such cases. AT further stated that detailed provisions on the procedure are lacking, for example that the third-country national must lodge his application before the expiry of the valid residence permit as a student or a researcher, or even the necessary submission of an applications itself. FR pointed out the issue that once a student or researcher obtains a job, they change their legal status to employee. BE was of the opinion that this paragraph clarified the question of change of status and pointed out that the residence permit should not be renewed. LV, DE, SI, SE supported this new paragraph. EL pointed out that it may be needed the establishment of a minimum period for residence.

Researchers' family members¹⁹³

- 1. By way of derogation from Article 3(1) and Article 8 of Directive 2003/86/EC, family reunification shall not be made dependent on the holder of the authorisation to stay for the purposes of research having reasonable prospects of obtaining the right of permanent residence and having a minimum period of residence.
- 2. By way of derogation from the last subparagraph of Article 4(1) and Article 7(2) of Directive 2003/86/EC, the integration conditions and measures referred to in those provisions may only be applied after the persons concerned have been granted family reunification.
- 3.

 Without prejudice to Article 24(2) and
 by way of derogation from the first subparagraph of Article 5(4) of Directive 2003/86/EC, authorisations for family members shall be granted, where the conditions for family reunification are fulfilled, within 90 days from the date on which the application was lodged

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DE, CZ, FR: scrutiny reservation. NL, SE: support. CY opposes the free access to the labour market for researcher's family members by derogation of Directive 2003/86/EC. Alternatively, it should be left to the Member States to decide.

AT, EL, LU, BE: scrutiny reservation. IT, AT, EL, LU, SE were of the opinion that the set of time-limits 90/60 days were too short. In particular, IT suggested a time-limit set of 180/90 days and SE said that it would be preferable not to have time-limits in the proposal since it gives Member States less flexibility. HU preferred to keep the reference to the 60-day time limit applicable in the case of Union programmes including mobility measures which has been deleted in the current version of the text.

- 4. By way of derogation from Article 13(2) ⊃ [...] ⊂ of Directive 2003/86/EC, the duration of validity of the authorisation of family members shall ⊃ [...] ⊂ ⊃, as far as possible, end on the date of expiry of the ⊂ authorisation ⊃ [...] ⊂ ⊃ issued ⊂ to the researcher insofar as the period of validity of their travel documents allows it.
- 5. By way of derogation from the second sentence of Article 14(2) of Directive 2003/86/EC, Member States shall not apply any time limit in respect of access to the labour market. 195

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supported **SK** on this. **EL** pointed out that it is of the opinion that this provision should be either optional for Member States or should be in line with Article 14(2) of Directive 2003/86/EC on the right to family reunification.**DE** asked whether a labour market test, which is allowed under the Family Reunification Directive, would be prohibited here. **CION** answered that there should be no labour market test since the lack of it is what increases attractiveness of the proposal.

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EL, LU: scrutiny reservation. SK preferred that the access to the labour market of family members should be dealt with by Member States at national level. EL supported SK on this EL pointed out that it is of the opinion that this provision

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LV, AT: scrutiny reservation on the whole Chapter VI. In particular, AT is of the opinion that the provisions on this chapter are conducive to bypass rules and to abusive activities, and above all are not practicable since they produce high administrative costs. In addition, AT thinks that the provisions of this chapter are not clear and are incomprehensible for citizens and therefore are contrary to the principle of transparency.

Concerning the issue of intra-EU mobility scheme, Presidency acknowledges that during the previous meetings of the Working Party many delegations wanted to align the mobility scheme of this proposal with the one in the ICTs' Directive proposal in which the ICT mobility scheme distinguishes between stays of up to 3 months and more than 3 months. Thus, Presidency kindly asked delegations to share their views about:

- whether the intra-EU mobility in this proposal should follow exactly the same pattern as the ICT Directive proposal, or
- whether it should be different, as proposed by the Commission. In such case, what elements should be borrowed from the ICT scheme?

Delegations views were as follows:

HU stated that there is a difference of scope between this proposal and ICT's. For certain categories, researchers and students, **HU** would have liked to have mobility arrangements that are flexible. ICTs are already part of the labour market, while it is not the case for researchers. So **HU** did not think that the scheme from ICT proposal can be automatically transposed to this proposal. Also, for this proposal, unlike the ICT proposal that considers stays under and above 3 months, **HU** would like to have into account stays under and above 6 months. There are nonetheless some things from the ICT scheme that could be used in this proposal.

NL stated that equivalent situations should be given equivalent solutions as far as both proposals are concerned. **FR** agreed with **NL**.

PL fully supported the mobility of students, researchers and trainees. It had concerns though on the mobility of remunerated trainees. **PL** agreed with **HU** that there are differences between this proposal and ICT's. **PL** also agreed with **HU** on having into account stays under and above 6 months.

DE stated that it does not have yet a definitive position, since it is still not decided the definitive rules on ICT proposal. **DE** would like to have a maximum degree of consistency on the rules in both proposal. But also acknowledged **HU** comments on that different categories of people may have different needs, so this also has to be taken into account. Some categories are more subject to abuse and may need more monitoring.

ES said that mobility is something positive for students and researchers. It introduced a reservation about whether ICT scheme could be applied in this proposal since is not definitive yet.

EL also was of the opinion that there may be a need of a different approach for each category. Differentiation may be necessary.

BE was still reflecting on this issue since ICT scheme is not definitive yet. It also stated that consistence is a good think, but at the same time, different groups may need

different solutions as far as mobility is concerned, so it agrees on the possibility of having different rules. **BE** stated that consistency with Schengen acquis is the most important aspect (90 days).

AT stated that it has not a firm position yet. It would like to have provisions as equivalent as possible, but also recognised that different groups may need different solutions.

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Article <u>13</u> <u>26</u>

⇒ Right to <= Mmobility between Member States</td> ⇒ for researchers, students and remunerated trainees

1. A third-country national who has been admitted as a researcher under this Directive shall be allowed to carry out part of his/her research in another Member State under the conditions as set out in this Article.

CZ proposed to keep current rules for researchers, students and trainees to move between the Member States. CZ also pointed out that the period for which they are allowed to move to a second Member State on the basis of the hosting agreement concluded in the first Member State should not be extended. According to CZ existing rules allow third-country researchers fast-track procedures for their admission and CZ thinks that it is a sufficient measure. Students should be allowed to move to second Member State for a period up to 3 months on the basis of the authorisation granted by the first Member State in accordance to the Schengen acquis.

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ES, DE, FR, LV, BE, LU, EL, MT, PT: scrutiny reservation. As a general comment, some delegations considered necessary to align the mobility scheme of this proposal with the one being discussed in the Directive proposal on ICT, in order to avoid diversity of mobility schemes among migration instruments. BE insisted that it would like to see a new mobility scheme, differentiating between stays below and above 90 days, in line with Directive proposal on ICT. Some delegations also requested the introduction of additional conditions for mobility:

⁻ to require work permits from students and remunerated trainees and to apply labour market tests and quotas (\mathbf{AT}) .

⁻ to provide for the possibility to control the pay and working conditions in the second Member State (AT, FI).

⁻ to lay down very specific conditions about access to labour market and social security $(\mathbf{S}\mathbf{K})$.

⁻ to provide for the obligation of the first Member State to readmit (SE).

⁻ to provide for sickness insurance and return provisions (CZ).

≟If the researcher stays in another Member State for a period of up to three ⇒ six ⇔ months, the research may be carried out on the basis of the hosting agreement concluded in the first Member State, provided that he has sufficient resources in the other Member State and is not considered as a threat to public policy, public security or public health in the second Member State. ¹98

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AT rejected the extension of duration of mobility from 3 to 6 months since the provision currently in force is satisfactory and thus does not require any revision. In addition, an extension of up to 6 months would also mean that the specific researcher would reside in another Member State for half of the duration of the total period of stay. **AT** also pointed out that this is not consistent with the Directive proposal on ICT in which it is distinguished cases of mobility of up to 3 months and more than 3 months. **CY** opposes the deletion of "three" months in old paragraphs 2 and 3. **CZ** suggested adding to the obligations of the researcher to have comprehensive sickness insurance for the duration of his stay in another Member State, to the extent that is set for nationals/system of public health insurance, including repatriation for medical reasons and repatriation of remains.

 $\frac{2}{3}$ If the researcher stays in another Member State for more than three \Rightarrow six \Leftarrow months, Member States may require a new hosting agreement to carry out the research in that Member State. \Rightarrow If Member States require an authorisation in order to exercise mobility, such authorisations shall be granted in accordance with the procedural guarantees specified in Article 30 \Leftarrow At all events, the conditions set out in Articles 6 and 7 shall be met in relation to the Member State concerned. $\stackrel{5}{=}$ Member States shall not require researchers to leave the territory in order to submit applications for applications for the visas or residence permits \Rightarrow authorisations \Leftarrow . 199

4. Where the relevant legislation provides for the requirement of a visa or a residence permit, for exercising mobility, such a visa or permit shall be granted in a timely manner within a period that does not hamper the pursuit of the research, whilst leaving the competent authorities sufficient time to process the applications.

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AT and SI considered that mobility for periods exceeding 6 months is excessive. In addition, AT, NL and SE were against the deletion of the reference to the criteria set out in Articles 6 and 7. AT in particular stated that precisely in the case of stays for more than 6 months in another Member State the general and specific conditions indeed have to be fulfilled in order to avoid the bypass of the rules, for example, by choosing a Member State with the least demanding requirements for residence and subsequently make use of the mobility rights for more than 6 months leaving the second Member State without the possibility of examining anything. AT also pointed out the question of how to proceed in cases where the authorisation issued by the first Member State expires when residing in the second Member State. Such cases would also require specific procedural requirements. AT found as well the wording "If Member States require an authorisation in order to exercise mobility [...]" too restrictive. There should be the possibility for Member States to issue a visa. AT also pointed out that a visa would be more uncomplicated and cheaper for the third-country national.

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2. For periods exceeding three months, but not exceeding six months²⁰⁰, a third-country national who has been admitted as a student²⁰¹ or as a remunerated trainee²⁰² under this Directive shall be allowed to carry out part of his/her studies/traineeship in another Member State provided that before his or her transfer to that Member State, he/she has submitted²⁰³ the following to the competent authority of the second Member State:²⁰⁴

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AT, CZ and SI stated that mobility for a period between 3 and 6 months is excessive.

AT also stated that a provision as to the examination of public safety and good order is lacking. CION argued that mobility of students should be expected to last at least a term/semester.

LV expressed its incomprehension as to why mobility conditions for students under the terms of this proposal stipulate more extensive rights than it is provided in the ICT proposal, since students can be considered being a group of increased risk of illegal immigration.

ES, DE, PL, FR, LV, AT, LU, NL and EL were against the inclusion of mobility for remunerated trainees. A trainee deals with a specific company and does not need further mobility. There is a danger for remunerated trainees using mobility to be employed as cheap labour.

AT pointed out that the meaning of "submitted" here is unclear since it does not specify the way (e-mail, fax, other?) nor explain how to proceed when the third-country national submits wrong or insufficient documents. It does not clarify either according to AT whether there is room for an evaluation process by the second Member State while paragraph 3, on the contrary, mentions a "decision" by the second Member State.

ES, AT, SK, NL and SE considered that a provision as to the examination of threat to public policy, public security and public health is lacking in paragraph 2.

- (a) a valid travel document;
- (b) proof of sickness insurance for all risks normally covered for the nationals of the Member State concerned;²⁰⁵
- (c) proof that he/she has been accepted by an establishment of higher education or a training host entity;
- (d) evidence that during his/her stay he/she will have sufficient resources to cover his/her subsistence, study and return travel costs.
- 3. For the mobility of students and trainees²⁰⁶ from the first Member State to a second Member State, the authorities of the second Member State shall inform the authorities of the first Member State on their decision. The cooperation procedures set out in Article 32 shall apply.

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CZ suggested to include also the costs of medical repatriation and repatriation of remains.

LT proposed, for the sake of legal certainty since this article deals with mobility of researchers, students and remunerated trainees, to insert the word "remunerated" as follows: "For the mobility of students and remunerated trainees from the first Member State [...]"

- 4. For a third-country national who has been admitted as a student, transfers to a second Member State exceeding six months may be granted under the same conditions as those applied for mobility for a period exceeding three months but less than six months. If Member States require a new application for an authorisation to exercise mobility for a period exceeding six months, such authorisations shall be granted in accordance with Article 29.²⁰⁷
- 5. Member States shall not require students to leave the territory in order to submit applications for authorisations for mobility between Member States.

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Concerning paragraphs 2, 3 and 4, **DE**, **AT**, **SI**, **SE** and **MT** stated that there are contradictions. Sometimes it seems that a notification is required while sometimes it seems that a decision is needed. **CION** clarified that:

⁻ for paragraphs 2 and 3 there is a notification system.

⁻ for paragraph 4, 1st part, there is also a notification system, while for second part of this paragraph there is a reference to a decision.

Concerning paragraph 4, AT precised that, concerning stays of up to 6 months, there are no provision in the text dealing with the procedure to be followed. AT wondered whether the second Member State could request a document in such cases or provide for the issuance of residence permits, that is to say, residences titles or visa. Regarding the third-country national, the absence of such a document would also run contrary to the principle of legal certainty. AT pointed out as well that Member States should be free in their decision whether to issue a residence title or visa. AT rejected the extension of the time limit of up to 6 months for students and trainees because of the exclusion of the prior checking of the working conditions. AT precised that only by looking at the residence title alone the pay and working conditions cannot be inferred. In addition, according to AT, students and trainees should not automatically be able to work in a Member State where they temporally study or reside. It should be possible for the second Member State to require work permits from students and trainees, apply quotas and labour market tests, as well as to be able to control the pay and working conditions at the work location in the second Member State. NL was also critic with this paragraph.

Rights for researchers and students covered by Union programmes including mobility measures²⁰⁸

- 1. Member States shall grant third-country nationals, who have been admitted as researchers or students under this Directive and who are covered by Union programmes including mobility measures, an authorization covering the whole duration²⁰⁹ of their stay in the Member States concerned where:
 - (a) the full list of Member States that the researcher or student intends to go to is known prior to entry to the first Member State;²¹⁰
 - (b) in the case of students, the applicant can provide evidence of acceptance by the relevant establishment of higher education to follow a course of study.

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AT questioned what the

AT questioned what the meaning of "whole duration" is. **AT** asked what happens if the programme last longer than the authorised stay. **AT** was of the opinion that in this case, during this period, the general conditions for admission in the Member State should also be met. **CION** answered that this article covers instances like the Marie Curie fellowships which can be granted for a period to up to two years. The scope indeed is that the authorisation could cover the whole period.

AT questioned what was the point of this. This point (a) intends to make known which other Member States the researchers or students would like to stay in. AT wondered whether this means that the Member States cannot require any conditions from the third-country national. Also, AT was of the opinion that it should be included in this point which conditions for proceeding should be applicable and to what authorities should the application be submitted. Also, according to AT, it should be clarified in which Member States the residence title is valid, since only the Union Programme name is mentioned on the title.

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AT: scrutiny reservation.

- 2. The authorisation shall be granted by the first Member State that the researcher or student resides in. ²¹¹
- 3. Where the full list of Member States is not known prior to entry into the first Member State:
 - (a) for researchers, the conditions as set out in Article 26 for stays in anotherMember States for periods of up to six months shall apply;
 - (b) for students, the conditions as set out in Article 26 for stays in another Member States for periods between three and six months shall apply.²¹²

AT and NL inquired about whether the second Member State can also check the conditions for the authorisation.

NL asked whether the mobility period mentioned in this paragraph 3 would come on top of the period of stay in the first Member State. The answer from CION was no.

Residence in the second Member State for family members²¹³

- 1. When a researcher moves to a second Member State in accordance with Articles 26 and 27, and when the family was already constituted in the first Member State, the members of his family shall be authorised to accompany or join him. ²¹⁴
- No later than one month after entering the territory of the second Member State, the family members concerned or the researcher, in accordance with national law, shall submit an application for a residence permit as a family member to the competent authorities of that Member State.

AT, **DE**: scrutiny reservation. **IT** and **LT** requested to clarify the title of this article since the right of residence in the second Member State is given to the family members of the researcher. Therefore the title should read as follows: "*Residence in the second Member State for family members of a researcher"*. **PL** also asked for

clarification on the reach of this article.

AT requested that a adaptation to the wording of other Directives in the area of migration, for example the Blue Card Directive, should be made. In particular, instead of referring to "researcher" it should be referred to "a holder of an authorisation for researchers based on this Directive". Moreover, in line with Articles 26 and 27, the mention to "moving" to a second Member State should be changed to "settling" in a second Member State. In addition, AT and SE requested the inclusion of a provision dealing with the case where the family has not been created in the first Member State following the line of the Blue Card Directive which does contain such a provision in its Article 19(6). DE also pointed out that there is a lack of consistency in the wording concerning sickness insurance between this article and Article 26.

In cases where the residence permit of the family members issued by the first Member State expires during the procedure or no longer entitles the holder to reside legally on the territory of the second Member State, Member States shall allow the person to stay in their territory, if necessary by issuing national temporary residence permits, or equivalent authorisations, allowing the applicant to continue to stay legally on their territory with the researcher until a decision on the application has been taken by the competent authorities of the second Member State.²¹⁵

- 3. The second Member State may require the family members concerned to present with their application for a residence permit:²¹⁶
 - (a) their residence permit in the first Member State and a valid travel document, or their certified copies, as well as a visa, if required;
 - (b) evidence that they have resided as members of the family of the researcher in the first Member State;
 - (c) evidence that they have a sickness insurance covering all risks in the second Member State, or that the researcher has such insurance for them.²¹⁷

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SE requested the inclusion of a reference for the return of family members to the first Member State.

AT, NL, SE requested the inclusion of a reference to the possibility to check whether there is a threat to public policy and public order. FR, AT, DE wanted to be able to control access by the family members to the labour market of the second Member State in order to minimise risks of social dumping. AT also pointed out that the permit of stay of the family member should correspond with the duration of the residence title of the researcher.

²¹⁷ **CZ** suggested to include medical repatriation costs.

- 4. The second Member State may require the researcher to provide evidence that the holder:
 - (a) has an accommodation regarded as normal for a comparable family in the same region and which meets the general health and safety standards in the Member State concerned;
 - (b) has stable and regular resources which are sufficient to maintain himself and the members of his family, without recourse to the social assistance of the Member State concerned.²¹⁸

Member States shall evaluate these resources by reference to their nature and regularity and may take into account the level of minimum national wages and pensions as well as the number of family members.

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CHAPTER V

PROCEDURE AND TRANSPARENCY

Article 14

Applications for admission

1. Member States shall determine whether applications for residence permits are to be made by the research or by the research organisation concerned.

AT pointed out that this point needs to be adapted to the Blue Card Directive and that it lacks a reference to Article 25 for cases where the family had not already had existed in the first Member State.

- 2. The application shall be considered and examined when the third-country national concerned is residing outside the territory of the Member States to which he/she wishes to be admitted.
- 3. Member States may accept, in accordance with their national legislation, an application submitted when the third-country national concerned is already in their territory.
- 4. The Member State concerned shall grant the third-country national who has submitted an application and who meets the conditions of Articles 6 and 7 every facility to obtain the requisite visas.

Procedural safeguards

- 1. The competent authorities of the Member States shall adopt a decision on the complete application as soon as possible and, where appropriate, provide for accelerated procedures.
- 2. If the information supplied in support of the application is inadequate, the consideration of the application may be suspended and the competent authorities shall inform the applicant of any further information they need.
- 3. Any decision rejecting an application for a residence permit shall be notified to the third-country national concerned in accordance with the notification procedures under the relevant national legislation. The notification shall specify the possible redress procedures available and the time limit for taking action.
- 4. Where an application is rejected, or a residence permit, issued in accordance with this Directive, is withdrawn, the person concerned shall have the right to mount a legal challenge before the authorities of the Member State concerned.

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CHAPTER ¥-VII

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Article 18 29

Procedural guarantees and transparency²¹⁹

1. A decision on an application to obtain or renew a residence permit shall be adopted, and the applicant shall be notified of it, within a period that does not hamper the pursuit of the relevant studies, whilst leaving the competent authorities sufficient time to process the application.

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AT, EE, SI, DE: scrutiny reservation. DE and SE pointed out that there was a linguistic problem in their respective versions of the text. EL pointed out that in the current proposal problems with procedural safeguards remain. Therefore, according to **EL**, provisions on procedural guarantees and transparency rules should be improved, inter alia, through: (a) coherence of the timeframe for processing an application in the framework of this proposal with the respective timeframes provided by other Directives on legal migration (e.g. Blue Card), (b) safeguarding the right of member States to regulate the volumes of admission of third-country nationals, especially in the cases they have limited or full access to the labour market of the Member State concerned, (c) introducing provisions related to the terms and conditions of admission that are already applied in some member States, thus eliminating the need of parallel national schemes, (d) examining the adoption of a common language level as a criterion for all Member States for those groups of third-country nationals that should prove, as a condition of admission, a sufficient knowledge of language, (e) granting rights to the various groups covered by this proposal based on the type of each category of third-country nationals (as determined by the purpose and the duration of stay in the member State) and (f) providing for effective, proportionate and dissuasive sanctions on employers in cases they violate the terms and conditions of employment, on the one hand, and sanctions and measures on third-country nationals, who infringe their status or the purpose of residence, on the other hand.

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1. The competent authorities of the Member States shall decide on the complete application for an authorisation and shall notify the applicant in writing, in accordance with the notification procedures laid down in the national law of the Member State concerned, as soon as possible and at the latest within ⊃ [...] ♥ ⊃ 90 ♥ days from the date on which the application was lodged ⊃ [...] ♥ .²²²⁰

- 2. If the information supplied in support of the application is $\bigcirc [...] \bigcirc$
- \bigcirc incomplete \bigcirc , processing of the application may be suspended and the competent authorities shall²²¹ inform the applicant of any further information they need \Rightarrow and indicate a reasonable deadline²²² to complete the application. The period referred to in paragraph 1 shall be suspended until the authorities have received the additional information \bigcirc or documents \bigcirc required \bigcirc . If additional information or documents have not been provided within the deadline, the application may be rejected \bigcirc \hookrightarrow .

concerned. Since the needs are different the different time limits are justified.

HU wanted to shorten these deadlines. SI could agree with a shorter deadline than 30 days in the case of Union programmes including mobility measures, but it would like to include the possibility of extending this deadline if need it, for example, in the event of complex cases. CION stated that it would like to maintain the time limits shorter as originally proposed since they are more in line with the needs of the categories

EE preferred a "may" clause instead of shall.

LU asked CION what it means by "reasonable deadline". CION answered that it introduced this wording since it is the same wording used in other migration instruments.

- 3. Any decision rejecting an application for a residence permit

 an authorisation

 shall be notified to the third-country national concerned in accordance with the notification procedures provided for under the relevant national legislation. The notification shall specify the possible redress procedures available.

 the national court or authority with which the person concerned may lodge an appeal

 and the time limit for taking action.

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- 4. Where an application is rejected or a residence permit an authorisation is sued in accordance with this Directive is withdrawn, the person concerned shall have the right to mount a legal challenge before the authorities of the Member State concerned. 224

Fast-track procedure for issuing residence permits or visas to students and school pupils

An agreement on the establishment of a fast-track admission procedure allowing residence permits or visas to be issued in the name of the third-country national concerned may be concluded between the authority of a Member State with responsibility for the entry and residence of students or school pupils who are third-country nationals and an establishment of higher education or an organisation operating pupil exchange schemes which has been recognised for this purpose by the Member State concerned in accordance with its national legislation or administrative practice.

In response to **DE**, **CION** clarified that the procedural safeguards also cover mobility decisions, where a new application is submitted.

AT, DE were of the opinion that paragraphs 3 and 4 need to be more consistent with other directives in this field and therefore they suggested that they need to be redrafted. DE mentioned that the wording in this paragraph should be accurate enough so not to leave the possibility of "a contratrio" interpretation.

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Transparency and access to information²²⁵

Member States shall make available information on entry and residence conditions for third-country nationals falling under the scope of this Directive, including the ⊃[...] ← monthly ⊃ sufficient ← resources ⊃[...] ← required, rights, all documentary evidence needed for an application and the applicable fees. Member States shall make available information on the research organisations²²⁶ approved under Article 8.²²⁷

PL was of the opinion that it would be difficult to make available the information requested by this article due to the heterogeneity of the groups targeted by this proposal.

FR, ES pointed out that, for the sake of consistency, "research organisations" should be changed as it has been throughout the text.

PL pointed out that while in this article the provisions are mandatory, the related provisions in Article 6 are optional.

◆ 2004/114/EC	
⇒ new	
⊃ Council	

Article 20 31

Fees

Member States may require applicants to pay fees for the $\bigcirc [...]$ $\bigcirc \bigcirc$ \bigcirc handling \bigcirc of applications in accordance with this Directive. \Rightarrow The \bigcirc level of such fees shall not be disproportionate or excessive. $\bigcirc [...]$ $\bigcirc \bigcirc$ \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc 228

♦ 2005/71/EC (adapted)

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EL believed that this provision on fees should be in line with the relevant provision of the Single Permit Directive. **FR** asked what the fees cover exactly and **CION** answered that the fees cover any administrative costs related to any part of the processing of the application, including fees charged by universities. **AT** also asked whether this concerns the fees for the application or the fees for the handling of the application. According to **AT**, they are different types of fees. **CION** answered that it needs to check the wording, but it does not think that there is a difference intended in the wording.

Reports

Periodically, and for the first time no later than three years after the entry into force of this Directive, the Commission shall report to the European Parliament and the Council on the application of this Directive in the Member States and shall propose any amendments that are necessary.

Article 17

Transposition

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 12 October 2007.

When Member States adopt these measures, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. The methods of making such reference shall be laid down by Member States.

2. Member States shall communicate to the Commission the text of the main provisions of national law which they adopt in the field covered by this Directive.

Article 18

Transitional provision

By way of derogation from the provisions set out in Chapter III, Member States shall not be obliged to issue permits in accordance with this Directive in the form of a residence permit for a period of up to two years, after the date referred to in Article 17(1).

Common Travel Area

Nothing in this Directive shall affect the right of Ireland to maintain the Common Travel Area arrangements referred to in the Protocol, annexed by the Treaty of Amsterdam to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty establishing the European Community, on the application of certain aspects of Article 14 of the Treaty establishing the European Community to the United Kingdom and Ireland.

Article 20

Entry into force

This Directive shall enter into force on the twentieth day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Article 21

Addressees

This Directive is addressed to the Member States in accordance with the Treaty establishing the European Community.

◆ 2004/114/EC	

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⊃ Council		

Article 32

⊃[...] C ⊃ Cooperation on information C

- 1. Member States shall appoint contact points which shall <u>○ cooperate effectively</u>

 <u>and </u> be responsible for receiving and transmitting the information needed to implement Articles 26 and 27. <u>○ Member States shall give preference to exchange</u> of information via electronic means. □
- 2. <u>Each</u> Member States shall <u>[...]</u> <u>sinform the other Member States, via the national contact points referred to in paragraph 1, about the procedures applied to admission and mobility referred to in Articles 6a, 9, 26 and 27.</u>

Statistics²²⁹

Annually, and the first time no later than [] Member States shall, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 862/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council²³⁰, communicate to the Commission statistics on the volumes of third-country nationals who have been granted authorisations. In addition, and as far as possible, statistics shall be communicated to the Commission on volumes of third-country nationals whose authorisations have been renewed or withdrawn, during the previous calendar year, indicating their citizenship. Statistics on the admitted family members of researchers shall be communicated in the same manner.

The statistics referred to in paragraph 1 shall relate to reference periods of one calendar year and shall be supplied to the Commission within six months of the end of the reference year. The first reference year shall be [...]

AT: scrutiny reservation. AT stated that the period for communicating statistics should be in line with Eurostat periods. It also suggested to transmit to CION data on authorisations to take up employment.

OJ L 199, 31.7.2007, p. 23.

◆ 2004/114/EC (adapted)	
⇒ new	
⊃ Council	

Article 21 <u>34</u>

Reporting²³¹

Periodically, and for the first time by \boxtimes [five years after the date of transposition of this Directive] \boxtimes 12 January 2010, the Commission shall \Rightarrow \bigcirc [...] \bigcirc \leftarrow report to the European Parliament and the Council on the application of this Directive in the Member States and propose amendments if appropriate.

Article 22

Transposition

Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 12 January 2007 They shall forthwith inform the Commission thereof.

When Member States adopt these measures, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. The methods of making such reference shall be laid down by Member States.

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AT: scrutiny reservation.

Transitional provision

By way of derogation from the provisions set out in Chapter III and for a period of up to two years after the date set out in Article 22, Member States are not obliged to issue permits in accordance with this Directive in the form of a residence permit.

Article 24

Time limits

Without prejudice to the second subparagraph of Article 4(2) of Directive 2003/109/EC, Member States shall not be obliged to take into account the time during which the student, exchange pupil, unremunerated trainee or volunteer has resided as such in their territory for the purpose of granting further rights under national law to the third-country nationals concerned.

Article 25

Entry into force

This Directive shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

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⊃ Council	

Transposition²³²

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by [two years²³³ after the entry into force] at the latest. They shall forthwith communicate to the Commission the text of those provisions.

When Member States adopt those provisions, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. They shall also include a statement that references in existing laws, regulations and administrative provisions to the directives repealed by this Directive shall be construed as references to this Directive. Member States shall determine how such reference is to be made and how that statement is to be formulated.

2. Member States shall communicate to the Commission the text of the main provisions of national law which they adopt in the field covered by this Directive.

LV referred to the Joint Political Declaration of Member States and the Commission on explanatory documents of 28 September 2011, which stipulates that Member States undertakes to accompany, in justified cases, the notification of their transposition measures. Recital 40 of this proposal, in its final sentence, says that "with regard to this Directive, the legislator considers the transmission of such documents to be justified". LV pointed out that the legislator has not yet made the corresponding assessment, therefore the statement regarding transmission of relevant documents as justified is premature.

SE and FI preferred a deadline for transposition of 3 years.

Repeal²³⁴

Directives 2005/71/EC and 2004/114/EC are repealed for the Member States bound by this Directive with effect from [day after the date set out in the first subparagraph of Article 35(1) of this Directive], without prejudice to the obligations of the Member States relating to the time-limits for transposition into national law of the Directives set out in Annex I, Part B.

<u>► For the Member States bound by this Directive,</u> <u>C</u> references to the repealed Directives shall be construed as references to this Directive and shall be read in accordance with the correlation table in Annex II.

Article 37

Entry into force

This Directive shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Please note that the amendment of Recital 43 is linked with this article.

◆ 2004/114/EC (adapted)

Article <u>26</u> <u>38</u>

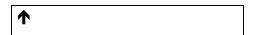
Addressees

This Directive is addressed to the Member States in accordance with the $\frac{\text{Treaty establishing}}{\text{Treaties}}$ the European Community \boxtimes Treaties \boxtimes .

Done at Brussels,

For the European Parliament For the Council
The President The President

ANNEX I



Part A

Repealed Directive with list of its successive amendments

(referred to in Article 37)

Directive 2004/114EC of the European Parliament (OJ L 375, 23.12.2004, p. 12) and of the Council

Directive 2005/71/EC of the European Parliament (OJ L 289, 03.11.2005, p. 15) and of the Council

Part B

List of time-limits for transposition into national law [and application]

(referred to in Article 36)

Directive	Time-limit for transposition	Date of application
2004/114/EC	12.01.2007	
2005/71/EC	12.10.2007	

ANNEX II

CORRELATION TABLE

Directive 2004/114/EC	Directive 2005/71/EEC	This Directive
Article 1 (a)		Article 1 (a)
Article 1 (b)		-
-		Article 1 (b) and (c)
Article 2 introductory wording		Article 3 introductory wording
Article 2 (a)		Article 3 (a)
Article 2 (b)		Article 3 (c)
Article 2 (c)		Article 3 (d)
Article 2 (d)		Article 3 (e)
-		Article 3 (f) and (g)
Article 2 (e)		Article 3 (1)
Article 2 (f)		Article 3 (h)
Article 2 (g)		-
-		Article 3 (i)
-		Article 3 (m) to (s)

Article 3 (1)	Article 2 (1)	
Article 3 (2)	Article 2 (2) (a) to (e)	
-	Article 2 (2) (f) and (g)	
Article 4	Article 4	
Article 5	Article 5 (1)	
-	Article 5 (2)	
Article 6 (1)	Article 6 (a) to (e)	
-	Article 6 (f)	
Article 6 (2)	-	
-	Article 7	
Article 7 (1)	Article 10 (1) introductory	
introductory wording	wording	
Article 7 (1) (a)	Article 10 (1) (a)	
Article 7 (1) (b) and (c)	-	
Article 7 (1) (d)	Article 10 (1) (b)	
Article 7 (2)	Article 10 (2)	
-	Article 10 (3)	
Article 8	-	

-	Article 11
Article 9 (1) and (2)	Article 12 (1) and (2)
Article 10 introductory	Article 13 (1) introductory
wording	wording
Article 10 (a)	Article 13 (1) (a)
Article 10 (b) and (c)	-
-	Article 12 (1) (b)
-	Article 12 (2)
Article 11 introductory	Article 14 (1) introductory
wording	wording
Article 11 (a)	-
Article 11 (b)	Article 13 (1) (a)
Article 11 (c)	Article 13 (1) (b)
Article 11 (d)	Article 13 (1) (c)
Articles 12 to 15	-
-	Articles 14, 15 and 16
Article 16 (1)	Article 20 (1) introductory wording
-	Article 20 (1) (a) to (c)

Article 16 (2)	Article 20 (2)
-	Article 21
Article 17 (1) first subparagraph	Article 23 (1)
Article 17 (1) second subparagraph	Article 23 (2)
Article 17 (2)	Article 23 (3)
Article 17 (3)	-
Article 17 (4)	Article 23 (4)
-	Articles 15, 24, 25, 27
-	Article 17
Article 18 (1)	-
-	Article 29 (1)
Article 18 (2), (3) and (4)	Article 29 (2), (3) and (4)
Article 19	-
-	Article 30
Article 20	Article 31
-	Articles 32 and 33

Article 21		Article 34
Articles 22 to 25		-
-		Articles 35, 36 and 37
Article 26		Article 38
-		Annexes I and II
	Article 1	-
	Article 2 introductory wording	-
	Article 2 (a)	Article 3 (a)
	Article 2 (b)	Article 3 (i)
	Article 2 (c)	Article 3 (k)
	Article 2 (d)	Article 3 (b)
	Article 2 (e)	-
	Articles 3 and 4	-
	Article 5	Article 8
	Article 6 (1)	Article 9 (1)
	-	Article 9 (1) (a) to (f)
	Article 6 (2) (a)	Article 9 (2) (a)
	Article 6 (2) (a), (b) and (c)	-

Article 6 (3), (4) and (5)	Article 9 (3), (4) and (5)
Article 7	-
Article 8	Article 16 (1)
Article 9	-
Article 10 (1)	Article 19 (2) (a)
-	Article 19 (2) (b)
Article 10 (2)	-
Article 11 (1) and (2)	Article 22
Article 12 introductory wording	-
Article 12 (a)	-
Article 12 (b)	-
Article 12 (c)	Article 21 (1)
Article 12 (d)	-
Article 12 (e)	-
-	Article 21 (2)
Article 13 (1)	Article 26 (1)
Article 13 (2)	Article 26 (1)

Article 13 (3) and (5)	Article 26 (1)
Article 13 (4)	-
-	Article 26 (2), (3) and (4)
Articles 14 to 21	-