








Procedure file

Basic information	
COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Directive	Procedure completed
2014/0132(COD)	
Scientific examination of questions relating to food: repealing obsolete Directive	
Subject 3.50.01.05 Research specific areas 4.60.04.04 Food safety	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 Environment, Public Health and Food Safety		17/07/2014
		 LA VIA Giovanni	
		Shadow rapporteur	
		 CAPUTO Nicola	
		 PAULSEN Marit	
	Former committee responsible		
	 Environment, Public Health and Food Safety		
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	 Industry, Research and Energy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	Former committee for opinion		
	 Industry, Research and Energy		
	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
European Commission	Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	3366	27/01/2015
	Commission DG	Commissioner	
European Economic and Social Committee	Health and Food Safety	ANDRIUKAITIS Vytenis Povilas	

Key events			
05/05/2014	Legislative proposal published	COM(2014)0246	Summary
03/07/2014	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		

03/12/2014	Vote in committee, 1st reading		
09/12/2014	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A8-0059/2014	Summary
16/12/2014	Results of vote in Parliament		
16/12/2014	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T8-0074/2014	Summary
27/01/2015	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		
11/02/2015	Final act signed		
11/02/2015	End of procedure in Parliament		
18/02/2015	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2014/0132(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 114
Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 159
Mandatory consultation of other institutions	European Economic and Social Committee
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ENVI/8/00444

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(2014)0246	05/05/2014	EC	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES3473/2014	09/07/2014	ESC	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A8-0059/2014	09/12/2014	EP	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T8-0074/2014	16/12/2014	EP	Summary
Draft final act		00094/2014/LEX	11/02/2015	CSL	

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

[Directive 2015/254](#)
[OJ L 043 18.02.2015, p. 0001](#) Summary

Scientific examination of questions relating to food: repealing obsolete Directive

PURPOSE: repealing Council Directive 93/5/EEC of 25 February 1993 on assistance to the Commission and cooperation by the Member

States in the scientific examination of questions relating to food.

PROPOSED ACT: Directive of the European Parliament and Council.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the European Parliament decides in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure on an equal footing with the Council.

BACKGROUND: with the Regulatory Fitness and Performance Programme (REFIT), the Commission is committed to ensure a simple, clear, stable and predictable regulatory framework for businesses, workers and citizens.

The aim of Council Directive 93/5/EEC was to ensure the smooth running of the Scientific Committee for Food by promoting the scientific support from the Member States and by organising the cooperation with the relevant national bodies on scientific issues regarding the safety of foodstuffs.

Following [Regulation \(EC\) No 178/2002](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council, the scientific tasks entrusted to the Scientific Committee on Food have been taken over by the Scientific Committee and Panels of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA). EFSA has also become the competent body to promote scientific cooperation with the Member States and relevant national bodies operating in the fields falling within the Authority's mission.

CONTENT: Council Directive 93/5/EEC has become obsolete and should be repealed.

Scientific examination of questions relating to food: repealing obsolete Directive

The Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety adopted the report by Giovanni LA VIA (EPP, IT) on the proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council repealing Council Directive 93/5/EEC of 25 February 1993 on assistance to the Commission and cooperation by the Member States in the scientific examination of questions relating to food.

It recommended the European Parliament to adopt its position at first reading taking over the Commission proposal.

Scientific examination of questions relating to food: repealing obsolete Directive

The European Parliament adopted by 640 votes to 53, with 6 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council repealing Council Directive 93/5/EEC of 25 February 1993 on assistance to the Commission and cooperation by the Member States in the scientific examination of questions relating to food.

Parliament adopted its position at first reading without making amendments to the Commission proposal.

In December 2012, the Commission launched the Regulatory Fitness and Performance Programme ([REFIT](#)) to ensure a simple, clear, stable and predictable regulatory framework for businesses, workers and citizens. In this context, the Commission has proposed to repeal Council Directive 93/5/EEC.

The aim of Council Directive 93/5/EEC was to ensure the smooth running of the Scientific Committee for Food by promoting the scientific support from the Member States and by organising the cooperation with the relevant national bodies on scientific issues regarding the safety of foodstuffs.

Scientific examination of questions relating to food: repealing obsolete Directive

PURPOSE: repealing Council Directive 93/5/EEC of 25 February 1993 on assistance to the Commission and cooperation by the Member States in the scientific examination of questions relating to food.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Directive (EU) 2015/254 of the European Parliament and of the Council repealing Council Directive 93/5/EEC on assistance to the Commission and cooperation by the Member States in the scientific examination of questions relating to food.

CONTENT: this Directive repeals Directive 93/5/EEC.

Council Directive 93/5/EEC aimed to ensure the smooth running of the Scientific Committee on Food by promoting the scientific support from the Member States to that Committee and by organising cooperation with the relevant national bodies on scientific issues regarding the safety of foodstuffs.

Pursuant to [Regulation \(EC\) No 178/2002](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council, the tasks of the Scientific Committee on Food referred to in Directive 93/5/EEC have been transferred to the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), and those tasks are currently provided for by Regulation (EC) No 178/2002.

EFSA has also become the competent body to promote scientific cooperation with the Member States and relevant national bodies operating in the fields falling within EFSA's mission.

In the framework of the Regulatory Fitness and Performance Programme ([REFIT](#)), the Commission is committed to achieving a simple, clear, stable and predictable regulatory framework for businesses, workers and citizens.

Directive 93/5/EEC has therefore become obsolete and should be repealed

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 10.03.2015.

TRANSPOSITION: 29.2.2016 at the latest.

