



Services Package

Services Notification Proposal

IMCO committee meeting

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Rationale

- Numerous studies (EC, ECB, OECD, IMF, World Bank) show economic advantages of more integrated services single market & better implementation of Services Directive.
- Existing notifications procedure fails to prevent the introduction of unjustified regulatory barriers that are not in line with the Services Directive: majority of EU Pilots concern measures that Member States newly introduced.
- European Parliament, EU Council, European Court of Auditors: Better implementation & enforcement of existing Services Directive should be priority for services single market. Commission should present proposal for a revised notifications procedure.
- 80% of stakeholders: existing procedure is not satisfactory.

Existing procedure

- Almost 90% of notified measures have already been adopted: limited effect of consultation.
- Scope of notification obligation is unclear. Important requirements are not covered (e.g. authorisation schemes).
- Lack of compliance: almost 90% of notifications originate in 7 Member States.
- Separate notification procedures for establishment & cross-border provision of services add complications & inconsistencies.
- Quality of notifications is often limited (no justification or explanation of proportionality).
- Stakeholders have no access to notifications.



Objectives

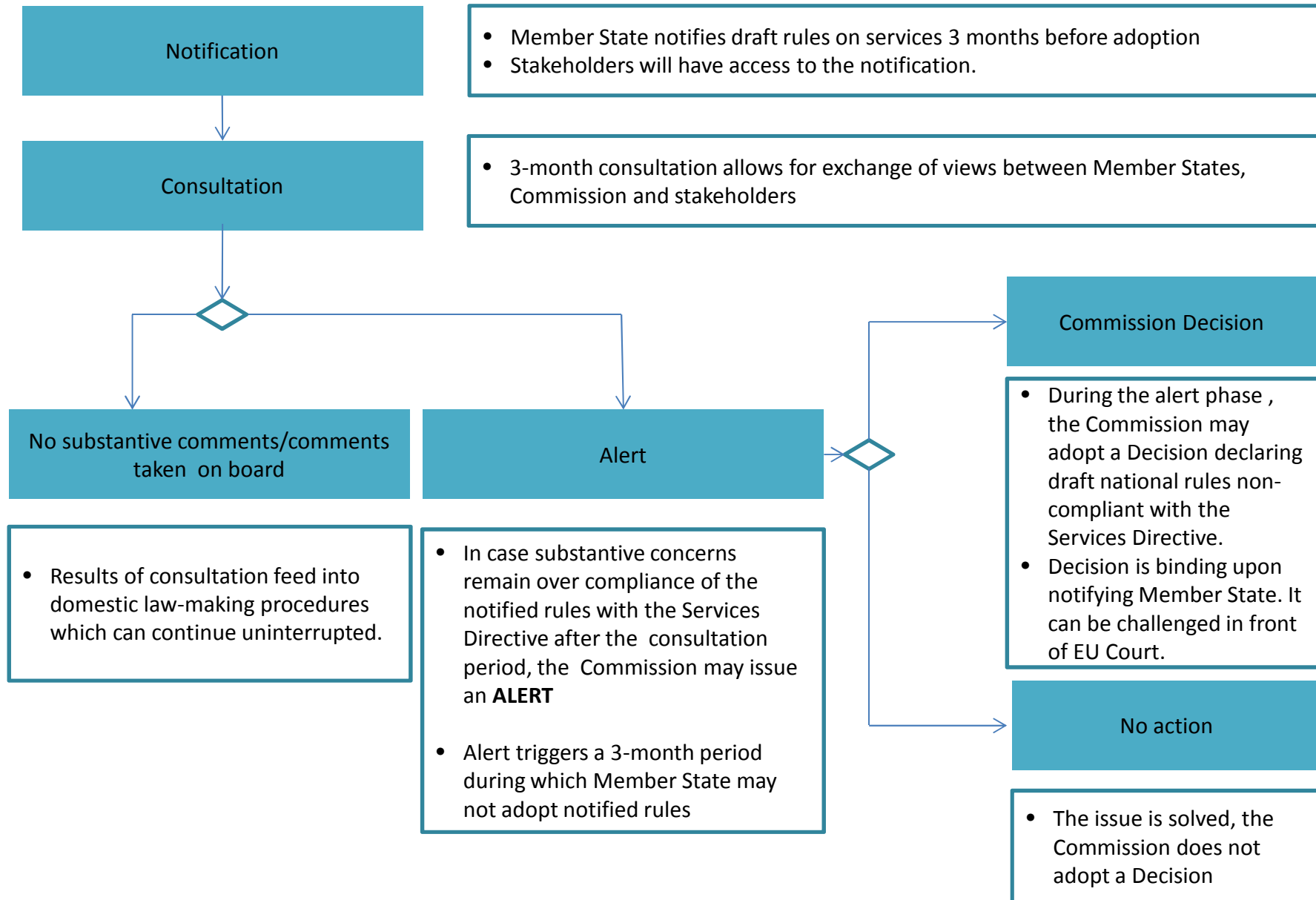
- Establishing an efficient notification mechanism.
- Improving quality of national measures through exchange of best practices, experiences and comments on draft measures before they are being adopted.
- Avoiding unjustified and disproportionate Member States measures that have a negative impact on competitiveness and the integration of the services single market.
- Introducing transparency for stakeholders.



Main Features

- A self-standing Directive implementing the existing Services Directive that remains unchanged on substance.
- A sui generis procedure to reflect nature of services regulation in Europe (which is different than for goods).
- Instrument for Member States, Commission & stakeholders to work in partnership.
- Main element: three months consultation period on draft Member States rules allowing Member States to take comments into account in ongoing domestic rule-making procedures.
- Use of existing IMI system.

New notification procedure for better implementation of EU services rules



IMI SYSTEM

- Existing IMI system will be used for the operation of the new notification procedure for services.
- IMI will be adjusted to take into account the new features of the notification procedure.
- To ensure transparency of notifications to stakeholders, a web interface will be created where information on notifications will be publicly available & stakeholders can provide comments.



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General information on the act

Notifying Member State

Title of the act, article(s) and references

Status of the act Final

Entry into force

Text of the specific article(s)

Additional text of the article(s)

Text of the legislation on the Internet

Information on the imposing authority

Level of the imposing authority State entity at national level

Is the imposing authority the sender of this notification? No

Imposing authority name

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