Biocidal products for non-agricultural uses: common rules for national authorisations

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The common position concerning the placing of biocidal products on the market, adopted unanimously, included 27 of the 28 amendments proposed by Parliament as incorporated by the Commission in its second modified proposal. It also included several amendments rejected by the Commission. The common position does not alter the basic aims of the proposal, but certain aspects of the text have been clarified and the number of recitals reduced. The scope of the proposal has been better defined and more specific cases for derogation from the principle of mutual recognition have been introduced. Practical aspects of authorization procedures have been introduced, e.g. frame-formulations and commodity substances, as well as a procedure for low-risk products. The conditions for the operation of the principle of comparative assessment have been clarified. The annexes have been restructured to provide a common core data set for all active substances and biocidal products.