

# Structural Funds: Commission implementing powers

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**PURPOSE** : to adapt the provisions relating to committees which assist the Commission in the exercise of its implementing powers laid down in Council instruments adopted under the assent procedure.

**CONTENT** : Council Decision 1999/468/EC of 28 June 1999 laying down the procedures for the exercise of implementing powers conferred on the Commission<sup>1</sup> repealed Decision 87/373/EEC of 13 July 1987 (refer to procedure reference CNS/1998/0219). Statement No 2 of the Council and of the Commission on Decision 1999/468/EC specifies that the Council and the Commission agree that the provisions relating to committees which assist the Commission in the exercise of its implementing powers, provided for in application of Decision 87/373/EEC, should be adapted in order to bring them into line with the provisions of Articles 3, 4 and 5 of Decision 1999/468/EC. The joint statement provides that procedures of type I, IIa, IIb, IIIa and IIIb should be automatically brought into line, whereas the amendment of the safeguard procedures should be done on a case-by-case basis. This proposed Regulation does not affect either the substantive provisions of the amended legislative acts or the application of the latter. This proposed Regulation, which aims to bring into line the legislative acts which establish the committees and the legislative acts which refer to these committees, does not affect the nature of the committees provided for by the basic act. It does not apply to the legislative acts which have already been brought into line by an act amending the basic act nor does it prejudice the Commission's proposals for legislative acts amending the basic act which have been submitted since 18 July 1999, the date of entry into force of Council Decision 1999/468/EC. It applies to legislative acts which are still in force when it enters into force.