

# **EC/Israel agreement: protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean agreement following the 2004 enlargement**

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**PURPOSE** : to conclude the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement between the European Communities and Israel to take account of the accession of ten new Member States.

**LEGISLATIVE ACT** : Council Decision 2006/378/EC concerning the conclusion of a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia, and the Slovak Republic to the European Union.

**CONTENT** : This Decision approves a Protocol to Euro-Mediterranean Agreement between the EU and Israel in order to take account of the accession of the 10 new Member States to the EU. The most important aspects of the protocol are provision for the accession of the new Member States to the EU-Israel Association Agreement, adaptation of the Protocol on agricultural products and inclusion of the new official languages of the EU.

**ENTRY INTO FORCE** : the Protocol enters into force when the necessary procedures for entry into force have been completed.