Basic information

1992/0438(COD) COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Directive	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Mutual recognition of declaration and licensing procedures for provision of telecommunications services **Subject** 3.30.03 Telecommunications, data transmission, telephone	

Key players

Council of the European Union	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
15/07/1992	Legislative proposal published	COM(1992)0254	Summary
26/10/1992	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
22/03/1994	Modified legislative proposal published	COM(1994)0041	Summary
23/02/1995	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary
23/02/1995	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A4-0030/1995	
15/03/1995	Debate in Parliament		
14/11/1995	End of procedure in Parliament		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1992/0438(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
Legal basis	EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 066 EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 057-p2 EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 100A
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Committee dossier	ECON/3/04115

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0030/1995 OJ C 068 20.03.1995, p. 0013	23/02/1995	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0096/1995 OJ C 089 10.04.1995, p. 0113-0133	16/03/1995	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(1992)0254 OJ C 248 25.09.1992, p. 0004	15/07/1992	Summary
Reconsultation	COM(1993)0570	10/11/1993	
Modified legislative proposal	COM(1994)0041 OJ C 108 16.04.1994, p. 0011	22/03/1994	Summary

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0219/1993 OJ C 108 19.04.1993, p. 0045	25/02/1993	Summary

Additional information		
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Mutual recognition of declaration and licensing procedures for provision of telecommunications services

1992/0438(COD) - 25/02/1993 - Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report

Mutual recognition of declaration and licensing procedures for provision of telecommunications services

1992/0438(COD) - 22/03/1994 - Modified legislative proposal

The amended proposal was based on a new approach that aimed to give greater weight to the principle of full mutual recognition on the basis of gradual harmonisation according to the service categories and to simplify the proposed procedures, whilst preserving the specific time limits laid down. In relation to the initial proposal, the amended proposal: - excluded from its scope voice telephony and telex services as well as satellite and mobile communications; - included the procedures allowing for the provision of telecommunications services throughout the Community on the basis of mutually recognised national authorisations or, for a transitional period, on the basis of national authorisations obtained through a one-stop shopping procedure. These procedures no longer required the introduction of the concept of a single European telecommunications licence; - provided for a procedure of mutual recognition of national authorisations for the provision of telecommunications services on the basis of harmonised national

licensing regimes; - established a procedure permitting the use of the technical expertise of the national regulatory authorities by giving ECTRA mandates for the harmonisation of licensing conditions. This procedure also allowed for the mutual recognition of national authorisations for certain categories of services without prior harmonisation; - replaced the procedure permitting the recognition of authorisations on the basis of individual requests through a transitional one-stop shopping procedure that facilitated the obtention of national authorisations in cases where a telecommunications service could still not be offered through a mutually recognised authorisation. The transitional procedures provided for an appeal mechanism, accompanied by a conciliation procedure, for cases where a national authorisation was not granted within the time frame laid down by the directive; - provided for a review of the arrangements of the procedure, in light of the experience gained; - set out clear requirements regarding information (submission of an annual report by the CTC and the Member States).

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1992/0438(COD) - 16/03/1995 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

Parliament approved the proposal subject to certain amendments relating to the following: - the inclusion of voice telephony and telex services in the scope of the Directive; - the need to ensure that the process was not harmful to those already operating in this sector and would not create increased bureaucracy; - the setting up of a European Telecommunications Authority with a mandate to apply European legislation on telecommunications (on the basis of a proposal which the Commission would present by 1.01.1997); - the need to make more transparent and equitable the conciliation procedure relating to disputes between service providers and the national regulatory authorities (participation of telecommunications operators and service providers in the work of the conciliation group, alongside the members of the CTC and, in certain cases, independent experts); - issues relating to third-country service providers and the need to take account of the principle of reciprocity and the extent to which the markets in the country of origin of the said service provider were opened-up; - the need for those bodies closely associated with the procedure for the harmonization of conditions for the granting of licences, namely the CTC and ECTRA, to submit annual reports to the Commission, the Council and Parliament on the work carried out within the context of the Directive.

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1992/0438(COD) - 15/07/1992 - Legislative proposal