

## Basic information

1997/0238(CNS)

CNS - Consultation procedure  
Directive

European works Council, procedure to inform or consult employees:  
extension Directive 94/45/EC to United Kingdom

Repealed by [2008/0141\(COD\)](#)

### Subject

4.15.10 Worker information, participation, trade unions, works councils

### Geographical area

United Kingdom

Procedure completed

## Key players

Council of the European Union

### Council configuration

Social Affairs

### Meetings

2060

### Date

1997-12-15

## Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
23/09/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0457 	<a href="#">Summary</a>
20/10/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
03/11/1997	Vote in committee		
15/12/1997	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
15/12/1997	End of procedure in Parliament		
16/01/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

## Technical information

Procedure reference	1997/0238(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
Amendments and repeals	Repealed by <a href="#">2008/0141(COD)</a>
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 52-p1 EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 100
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway				
<b>European Parliament</b>				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0553/1997 OJ C 371 08.12.1997, p. 0046-0074	19/11/1997	<a href="#">Summary</a>
<b>European Commission</b>				
Document type	Reference	Date	Summary	
Legislative proposal	COM(1997)0457 	23/09/1997	<a href="#">Summary</a>	
<b>Other institutions and bodies</b>				
Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES1181/1997	29/10/1997	<a href="#">Summary</a>

Additional information		
Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act
<a href="#">Directive 1997/0074</a> <a href="#">OJ L 010 16.01.1998, p. 0022</a> <span style="float: right;"><a href="#">Summary</a></span>

## European works Council, procedure to inform or consult employees: extension Directive 94/45/EC to United Kingdom

1997/0238(CNS) - 15/12/1997 - Final act

**OBJECTIVE:** to extend Directive 94/45/EC on the European Works Council to the United Kingdom. **COMMUNITY MEASURE:** Council Directive 97/74/EC on the extension to the United Kingdom of Council Directive 94/45/EC on the establishment of a European Works Council or a procedure in Community-scale undertakings and Community-scale groups of undertakings for the purposes of informing and consulting employees. **CONTENT:** following the conclusion of the Amsterdam Treaty providing for the incorporation in the Treaty of the Protocol on social policy and the decision by the United Kingdom to accede to the social provisions of the new Treaty, this directive seeks to extend Directive 94/45/EC on the establishment of a European Works Council (cf. "fiche de procédure" SYN94113) to the United Kingdom. Extension of the Directive to the United Kingdom does not alter the material content of the basic text, although technical adjustments are necessary in order to take account of the transnational character of certain provisions of the Directive (number of members of the special negotiating body increased from 17 to 18). **ENTRY INTO FORCE:** Member States have until 15 December 1999 to transpose the Directive into national legislation.

## **European works Council, procedure to inform or consult employees: extension Directive 94/45/EC to United Kingdom**

1997/0238(CNS) - 29/10/1997

The ESC welcomes the proposals.

## **European works Council, procedure to inform or consult employees: extension Directive 94/45/EC to United Kingdom**

1997/0238(CNS) - 19/11/1997 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament approved the proposal for a directive without debate.

## **European works Council, procedure to inform or consult employees: extension Directive 94/45/EC to United Kingdom**

1997/0238(CNS) - 23/09/1997 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: extension of Council Directive 94/45/EC on the European Works Council to the United Kingdom. SUBSTANCE: Following the conclusion of the Amsterdam Treaty providing for the incorporation in the Treaty of the Protocol on social policy and the decision by the United Kingdom to accede to the social provisions of the new Treaty, the Commission proposes the extension of Council Directive 94/45/EC on the establishment of a European Works Council to that country. Extension of the Directive does not alter the material content of Directive 94/45/EC, though technical adjustments are necessary in order to take account of the transnational character of certain provisions of the Directive. The fifteen Member States would have two years in which to transpose the Directive following the date of its adoption.