Basic information

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Organic farming: organic production and labelling of the products **Subject** 3.10.09.04 Organic farming	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development	HÄUSLING Martin (Verts /ALE)	26/01/2011
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Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Agriculture and Fisheries	3237	2013-05-13

European Commission

Commission DG	Commissioner
Regional and Urban Policy	CIOLOŞ Dacian

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
17/12/2010	Legislative proposal published	COM(2010)0759	Summary
18/01/2011	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
25/05/2011	Vote in committee, 1st reading		

01/06/2011	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A7-0215/2011	Summary
03/07/2012	Debate in Parliament		
04/07/2012	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T7-0282/2012	Summary
04/07/2012	Results of vote in Parliament		
13/05/2013	Resolution/conclusions adopted by Council		Summary
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Technical information

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Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
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Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn
Committee dossier	AGRI/7/04945

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE456.953	24/03/2011	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE462.849	18/04/2011	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A7-0215/2011	01/06/2011	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T7-0282/2012	04/07/2012	Summary

European Commission

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Legislative proposal	COM(2010)0759	17/12/2010	Summary
Commission response to text adopted in plenary	SP(2012)627	19/09/2012	

National parliaments

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Contribution	PT_PARLIAMENT	COM(2010)0759	15/02/2011	

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Other institutions and bodies

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EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0813/2011	04/05/2011	

Additional information		
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European Commission	EUR-Lex	

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2010/0364(COD) - 13/05/2013

The Council adopted Conclusions on organic farming in which it highlighted the importance of an appropriate regulatory framework for the development of this sector.

Among other things, the Council calls on the Member States and the Commission, in accordance with their respective competences, to:

- develop the organic farming sector at an ambitious level by **reviewing the current legal framework**, with a view to improving its usability while providing for a period of stability and certainty;
- continue to reduce to the minimum the **various exceptions** outlined in the regulations, while providing flexibility in the application of the production rules to accommodate the specific circumstances and stage of development of the sector at Member State level;
- strengthen and enhance lines of **communication between all control agencies** and explore ways of further improving the production, presentation and rapid dissemination of relevant information, documentation and data;
- identify and overcome **remaining obstacles** in the legal framework to ensure **fair competition** and the proper functioning of the internal market in organic products;
- encourage the **promotion of the organic sector** and increased consumption of organic produce;
- support **access for developing countries'products** to EU markets where adequate guarantees can be provided that the controls are effective and the organic products meet EU requirements;
- acknowledge the **specific inclusion of organic farming in the current CAP reform proposals** and consider further possibilities for providing financial support for organic production within this framework.

In addition, the Commission is invited to:

- improve the **current mechanisms to facilitate international trade in organic products** and require reciprocity and transparency in any trade agreements;
- in cooperation with Member States, to **assess the feasibility of establishing European electronic import certificates** to facilitate and reinforce the control procedures at EU borders.

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2010/0364(COD) - 01/06/2011 - Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading

The Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development adopted the report drafted by Martin HÄUSLING (Greens/EFA, DE) on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products.

It recommends that the European Parliament's position adopted at first reading, under the ordinary legislative procedure, should amend the Commission proposal as follows:

Delegated and implementing powers of the Commission: the amendments introduced by the MEPs aim to take into account:

- the "Common Understanding" on practical arrangements for the use of delegated acts (Article 290 TFUE) to be formally agreed on by the Council and the Parliament;
- the "Regulation on implementing powers" (Regulation (EC) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and the Council laying down the rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by Member States of the Commission's exercise of implementing powers).

The power to adopt the **delegated acts is conferred on the Commission subject to certain conditions**. The delegation of power shall be conferred on the Commission for a period of five years from the date of entry into force of this Regulation. A delegated act shall enter into force only if no objection has been expressed either by the Parliament or the Council within a period of two months of notification of that act to the European Parliament and the Council. That period shall be extended by two months at the initiative of the European Parliament or the Council.

Withdrawal of recognition: an amendment intends to enable the Commission to urgently withdraw recognition of equivalence from third countries where a serious problem with regard to products labelled as organic is found. The amendment requires that both the standards and the control system must be at fault for the procedure to operate.

Administrative burden: the report stresses that the process of alignment to the Treaty of Lisbon should seek to achieve the aim of simplifying all Union legislation enacted for the sector, with a view to relieving organic farmers of the burden of unnecessary red tape.

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2010/0364(COD) - 17/12/2010 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to align the powers conferred under Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 upon the Commission with Articles 290 (Delegated acts) and 291 (Implementing acts) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

PROPOSED ACT: Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council.

LEGAL BASE: first subparagraph of Article 42 and Article 43(2) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).

IMPACT ASSESSMENT: there was no need for consultation of interested parties or for an impact analysis since the proposal to align Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 with the TFEU is an interinstitutional matter that will concern all Council Regulations. The amendments aiming at simplification of recovery procedures are of limited scope and purely technical nature.

CONTENT: Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products confers competence on the Commission to adopt detailed rules for the application of that Regulation.

The aim of this proposal is to align the Commission implementing powers in Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 to the differentiation between delegated and implementing powers of the Commission introduced by Articles 290 and 291 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU).

To this end, the proposal identifies the delegated and implementing powers of the Commission in Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 and establishes the corresponding procedure for adoption of these acts.

In addition, an element of clarification in the field of accreditation is introduced.

BUDGETARY IMPLICATION: this proposal has no implication for the EU budget.

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2010/0364(COD) - 04/07/2012 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 629 votes to 25, with 34 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products.

Parliament’s position adopted at first reading, under the ordinary legislative procedure, amends the Commission proposal as follows:

Delegated and implementing powers of the Commission: the amendments introduced by the MEPs aim to take into account:

- the "Common Understanding" on practical arrangements for the use of delegated acts (Article 290 TFUE) to be formally agreed on by the Council and the Parliament;
- the "Regulation on implementing powers" (Regulation (EC) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and the Council laying down the rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by Member States of the Commission's exercise of implementing powers).

The power to adopt the **delegated acts is conferred on the Commission subject to certain conditions**. The delegation of power shall be conferred on the Commission for a period of five years from the date of entry into force of this Regulation. A delegated act shall enter into force only if no objection has been expressed either by the Parliament or the Council within a period of two months of notification of that act to the European Parliament and the Council. That period shall be extended by two months at the initiative of the European Parliament or the Council.

Implementing powers for urgent reasons: on duly justified imperative grounds of urgency, relating to the **withdrawal of the recognition** of the control authorities and control bodies in cases of irregularities or infringements of the provisions set out in this Regulation or relating to the withdrawal of the recognition of third countries whose system of production no longer complies with principles and production rules equivalent to those laid down in the Regulation or whose control measures are no longer of equivalent effectiveness to those laid down in the same Regulation, the Commission shall adopt immediately applicable implementing acts.

Administrative burden: the resolution stresses that the process of alignment to the Treaty of Lisbon should seek to achieve the aim of simplifying all Union legislation enacted for the sector, with a view to relieving organic farmers of the burden of unnecessary red tape.