

Basic information

2025/0130(COD)

COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Regulation

Amending certain Regulations as regards the extension of certain mitigating measures available for small and medium sized enterprises to small mid-cap enterprises and further simplification measures

Amending Regulation 2016/679 [2012/0011\(COD\)](#)
Amending Regulation 2016/1037 [2014/0305\(COD\)](#)
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Amending Regulation 2017/1129 [2015/0268\(COD\)](#)
Amending Regulation 2023/1542 [2020/0353\(COD\)](#)
Amending Regulation 2024/573 [2022/0099\(COD\)](#)

Subject

2.60 Competition
3.45.02 Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME), craft industries
6.30.02 Financial and technical cooperation and assistance

Legislative priorities

[Joint Declaration 2026](#)

Awaiting Parliament's position in 1st reading

Key players

European
Parliament

Joint committee responsible

ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs

ENVI Environment, Climate and Food Safety

LIBE Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

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Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
21/05/2025	Legislative proposal published	COM(2025)0501	Summary
10/07/2025	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
10/07/2025	Referral to joint committee announced in Parliament		
25/02/2026	Vote in committee, 1st reading		
25/02/2026	Committee decision to open interinstitutional negotiations with report adopted in committee		
03/03/2026	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A10-0041/2026	
	Committee decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations announced in		

09/03/2026	plenary (Rule 71)		
11/03/2026	Committee decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations confirmed by plenary (Rule 71)		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2025/0130(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
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Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 59 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 114 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 192-p1 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 207-p2 Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 016-p2
Mandatory consultation of other institutions	European Economic and Social Committee European Committee of the Regions
Stage reached in procedure	Awaiting Parliament's position in 1st reading
Committee dossier	CJ58/10/02985

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE775.772	07/11/2025	
Committee opinion	INTA	PE778.169	02/12/2025	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE781.364	12/12/2025	
Committee opinion	IMCO	PE782.403	27/01/2026	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A10-0041/2026	03/03/2026	
European Commission				
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Legislative proposal	COM(2025)0501	21/05/2025	Summary	
Document attached to the procedure	SWD(2025)0501 	21/05/2025		
National parliaments				

Document type	Parliament /Chamber	Reference	Date	Summary
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Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES1910/2025	18/09/2025	

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Meetings with interest representatives published in line with the Rules of Procedure

Rapporteurs, Shadow Rapporteurs and Committee Chairs

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Name	Role	Committee	Date	Interest representatives
MANDL Lukas	Rapporteur	LIBE	11/03/2026	European FinTech Association
MANDL Lukas	Rapporteur	LIBE	11/03/2026	CCIA Europe
MANDL Lukas	Rapporteur	LIBE	25/02/2026	ACT The App Association
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MANDL Lukas	Rapporteur	LIBE	26/01/2026	Industriellen Vereinigung Österreich
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MANDL Lukas	Rapporteur	LIBE	17/10/2025	WKÖ

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HANSEN Niels Flemming	Rapporteur	ENVI	14/10/2025	European Chemical Industry Council
HANSEN Niels Flemming	Rapporteur	ENVI	10/10/2025	Energizer
HANSEN Niels Flemming	Rapporteur	ENVI	02/10/2025	DAIKIN Europe NV
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HANSEN Niels Flemming	Rapporteur	ENVI	18/09/2025	Orgalim – Europe's Technology Industries
MANDL Lukas	Rapporteur	LIBE	10/09/2025	Blockchain for Europe

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WALSMANN Marion	18/03/2026	BMW (Unterabteilung Digitale Wirtschaft und Qualitätsinfrastruktur)

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2025/0130(COD) - 21/05/2025 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to extend supportive measures for Small Mid-Cap companies (SMCs) in line with what is already available for Small and Medium-Sized companies (SMEs) to alleviate administrative burdens.

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

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the European Parliament decides in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure and on an equal footing with the Council.

BACKGROUND: compared to SMEs, small mid-caps tend to demonstrate a faster growth rate and a higher intensity of innovation and digitalisation. However, with regard to administrative burden, they face similar challenges to SMEs. In order to facilitate the activities of small mid-caps and reduce their administrative burden, certain existing acts that provide for specific mitigating rules for SMEs should be adapted to extend their scope and include small mid-caps.

The European Commission has therefore identified a new category of companies, small mid-cap companies, i.e. companies with fewer than 750 employees; and up to EUR 150 million in turnover or EUR 129 million in total assets. These small mid-cap companies would have access for the first time to certain existing benefits for SMEs.

This proposal is the **fourth Simplification Omnibus package** presented by the European Commission.

CONTENT: this proposal aims to **extend to small and mid-cap companies certain provisions currently applied to SMEs** and proposes simplification measures for the benefit of SMEs and small and mid-cap companies in the following legislative acts:

Regulation (EU) 2016/679 on General Data Protection (GDPR)

Proposed amendments aim to simplify the record-keeping obligation in the GDPR, taking into account the specific needs and challenges of small and medium-sized companies and organisations, while ensuring that the rights of individuals are protected. The proposal exempts SMCs and organisations with fewer than 750 employees, in addition to SMEs.

SMEs, SMCs and organisations with fewer than 750 employees will only be required to maintain records when the processing of personal data is 'high risk' under the GDPR. By focusing record-keeping requirements on high-risk activities, organisations can devote their resources to areas where data protection is most critical, while maintaining high standards of data protection.

Regarding Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 on EU Growth issuance prospectus

This regulation sets out exemptions from the prospectus obligation for certain offers of securities to the public or admissions to trading on a regulated market. This provision is amended to include a new exemption from the obligation to publish a prospectus for offers of securities to the public where such offers result from the conversion of liabilities executed by EU resolution authorities under the EU framework for the resolution of banks or insurers or by third-country authorities under a comparable legal framework.

The use of alleviated prospectuses should also be extended to SMCs to reduce their cost of listing and potentially make those enterprises more attractive to investors, thus facilitating SMC access to funding.

Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 on batteries

Under this regulation, SMEs are exempt from certain obligations on battery due diligence policies. The scope of this provision should be extended to SMCs, so that they are also exempted from these obligations.

With a view to reducing the administrative burden on economic operators, the requirement to review and make publicly available their due diligence policy should be amended so that it applies **every three years** instead of annually. This burden reduction measure should apply to all economic operators, including SMCs.

Regulation (EU) 2024/573 on fluorinated greenhouse gases

Currently all importers and all exporters of products and equipment are required to register in the F-gas Portal. However, the burden resulting from that requirement may be disproportionate compared to its benefit, in particular for SMEs and SMCs. Therefore, the registration requirement should be limited to imports for which reporting requirements apply and to exports for which an export limitation exists.