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(Text with EEA relevance)

## **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

### **1. CONTEXT OF THE DELEGATED ACT**

This delegated act amends Annex V to Directive 2005/36/EC on the recognition of professional qualifications<sup>1</sup>, as amended by Directive 2013/55/EU ('Directive 2005/36/EC'), which lists evidence of qualifications subject to automatic cross-border recognition.

According to Directive 2005/36/EC, the following professions may qualify for automatic recognition of their qualifications in another Member State, under certain conditions, for the purpose of access to and practise of a regulated profession: doctor of medicine, specialist doctor, nurse responsible for general care, dental practitioner, specialist dental practitioner, veterinary surgeon, midwife, pharmacist and architect.

One pre-condition for automatic recognition is that the qualification meets the minimum training requirements set out in Title III, Chapter III of that Directive.

Article 21a(1) of Directive 2005/36/EC requires each Member State to notify the Commission of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions which it adopts with regard to the issuing of evidence of formal qualifications in the professions covered by Title III, Chapter III of that Directive. In line with Article 21a(3) of that Directive, Member States must transmit the information necessary for such notifications with use of the Internal Market Information System (IMI). The Commission then evaluates these submissions against the minimum training requirements set out in the Directive.

To take due account of legislative and administrative developments in the Member States, Article 21a(4) of Directive 2005/36/EC empowers the Commission to adopt delegated acts to amend the relevant points of Annex V concerning the updating of the titles adopted by the Member States for evidence of formal qualifications and, where appropriate, the body which issues the evidence of formal qualifications, the certificate which accompanies it and the corresponding professional title. So far, seven delegated decisions<sup>2</sup> have been adopted under Article 21a(4).

The main proposed amendments to Annex V reflect legislative and administrative developments in the Member States for the issuing of evidence of formal qualifications in the professions covered by Title III, Chapter III of the Directive, which the Member States have notified to the Commission, and where the Commission has confirmed that these meet the agreed harmonised minimum training requirements. A different procedure applies for architects, in line with Article 21a(1) subparagraph 2 of the Directive. For this profession, Member States are consulted through the Internal Market Information System (IMI) on whether new titles or programmes should be included in Annex V. Such a consultation has taken place for notifications concerning the profession of architect included in this Delegated Decision.

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<sup>1</sup> Directive 2005/36/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 September 2005 on the recognition of professional qualifications (OJ L 255, 30.9.2005, p. 22).

<sup>2</sup> Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2016/790 of 13 January 2016 (OJ L 134, 24.5.2016, p. 135), Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2017/2113 of 11 September 2017 (OJ L 317, 1.12.2017, p. 119), Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2019/608 of 16 January 2019 (OJ L 104, 15.4.2019, p. 1), Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2020/548 of 23 January 2020 (OJ L 131/1, 24.4.2020, p. 1), Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2021/2183 of 25 August 2021 (OJ L 444, 10.12.2021, p. 16), Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2023/2383 of 23 May 2023 (OJ L, 2023/2383, 09.10.2023), and Commission Delegated Decision (EU) 2024/1395 of 5 March 2024 (L 31.5.2024, p.1).

This Delegated Decision therefore consolidates old, new and amended professional titles notified up to 30 June 2024 that have been assessed and approved by the Commission services.

## **2. CONSULTATIONS PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE ACT**

The Commission consulted Member State authorities on these amendments to Annex V through the relevant expert group ('Group of coordinators for the recognition of professional qualifications'<sup>3</sup>). As a result of this consultation, the following additional changes were made to the draft Delegated Decision:

- For the profession of veterinary surgeon in Poland under point 5.4.2 of Annex V, the title of the body awarding the evidence of qualifications has been amended to 'Uniwersytet Rolniczy im. Hugona Kołłątaja w Krakowie'.
- For the profession of veterinary surgeon in Lithuania under point 5.4.2 of Annex V, it is not necessary to add in the footnote the date until when the evidence of formal qualification 'Magistro diplomas (veterinarinės medicinos magistro kvalifikacinis laipsnis ir veterinarijos gydytojo profesinė kvalifikacija)' shall apply. The footnotes specify the date as of when the evidence of formal qualification 'Veterinarijos mokslų magistro laipsnis ir Veterinarijos gydytojo kvalifikacija' shall apply.
- For the profession of pharmacist in Lithuania under point 5.6.2 of Annex V, it is not necessary to add in the footnote the date until when the evidence of formal qualification 'Magistro diplomas (farmacijos magistro kvalifikacinis laipsnis ir vaistininko profesinė kvalifikacija)' shall apply. The footnotes specify the date as of when the evidence of formal qualifications 'Magistro diplomas (sveikatos mokslų magistro laipsnis ir vaistininko kvalifikacija)' and 'Magistro diplomas (sveikatos mokslų magistro laipsnis ir vaistininko profesinė kvalifikacija)' shall apply.

## **3. LEGAL ELEMENTS OF THE DELEGATED ACT**

This Delegated Decision is based on Article 21a(4) of Directive 2005/36/EC. That Article empowers the Commission to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 57c of that Directive to amend points 5.1.1 to 5.1.4, 5.2.2, 5.3.2, 5.3.3, 5.4.2, 5.5.2, 5.6.2 and 5.7.1 of Annex V. These points comprise the titles adopted by the Member States for evidence of formal qualifications and, where appropriate, the body that issues the evidence of formal qualifications, the certificate which accompanies it and the corresponding professional title.

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<sup>3</sup> As set up by Commission Decision 2007/172/EC of 19 March 2007 setting up the group of coordinators for the recognition of professional qualifications (OJ L 79, 20.3.2007, p. 38).

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Directive 2005/36/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 September 2005 on the recognition of professional qualifications<sup>4</sup>, and in particular Article 21a(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Annex V to Directive 2005/36/EC contains lists with the evidence of formal qualifications of doctors of medicine, specialist doctors, nurses responsible for general care, dental practitioners, specialist dental practitioners, veterinary surgeons, midwives, pharmacists and architects.
- (2) Article 21a(1) of that Directive requires Member States to notify the Commission of any legislative, regulatory and administrative provisions that Member States adopt for issuing evidence of formal qualifications benefiting from automatic recognition. The Commission then evaluates these submissions against agreed minimum training requirements.
- (3) Several Member States have notified the Commission of legislative, regulatory and administrative provisions that Member States have adopted for issuing evidence of formal qualifications covered by Chapter III of Title III of Directive 2005/36/EC.
- (4) The Commission has assessed the notifications from Member States and concluded that provisions notified by Member States comply with the conditions set out in Articles 24, 25, 28, 31, 34, 35, 38, 40, 41, 44 and 46 of Directive 2005/36/EC. The outcome of the assessment of those notifications is reflected in this Decision, in the amendments to Annex V to Directive 2005/36/EC.
- (5) Annex V to Directive 2005/36/EC should therefore be amended. For reasons of clarity and legal certainty, all relevant points of Annex V to Directive 2005/36/EC on the evidence of formal qualifications and titles of training courses should be replaced.
- (6) Directive 2005/36/EC should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Annex V to Directive 2005/36/EC is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Decision.

*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

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<sup>4</sup> OJ L 255, 30.9.2005, p. 22.

Done at Brussels, 30.7.2025

*For the Commission*  
*Roxana MÎNZATU*  
*Executive Vice-President*