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Subject: Agricultural aspects of the revision of the Industrial Emission Directive

Delegations will find in the Annex a background document on the agricultural aspects of the revision of the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED). The Commission will make a presentation on this subject under “Any other business” at the meeting of the “Agriculture and Fisheries” Council on 26 September 2022.

Agricultural aspects of the Industrial Emission Directive

1. Since 2010, emissions from high-pollution-risk industrial installations and livestock farms have been regulated by Directive 2010/75/EU (the so-called **Industrial Emissions Directive** – IED). With regard to agricultural installations, the IED covers intensive rearing of **poultry and pigs**.
2. In line with the ambition set out in the “European Green Deal” to achieve climate neutrality in the EU by 2050, the Commission has committed to revising EU rules in order to reduce pollution from large industrial installations.
3. In this light, on 5 April 2022 the Commission adopted its proposals for:
 - A **directive**¹ amending the IED and Council Directive 1999/31/EC on landfill of waste; and
 - A **regulation**² on reporting of environmental data from industrial installations, revising Regulation (EC) No 166/2006.
4. The two proposals are strictly interconnected:
 - The directive addresses the identified areas of improvement of the current IED by amending the rules for a progressive reduction of pollution from the EU’s largest industrial and livestock rearing installations;
 - The regulation addresses the need to monitor the performance of those installations, particularly through the set-up of the Industrial Emissions Portal, which replaces the website of the European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (E-PRTR), established under Regulation (EC) No 166/2006.
5. In the Council, the two proposals are discussed in the “**Environment**” *filière*. The competent preparatory body is the Environment Working Party, which is examining the proposals at technical level. The “Environment” Council will discuss these proposals in the upcoming month.

¹ Doc. 8064/1/22 REV 1 + ADD 1-8.

² Doc. 8121/22 + ADD 1-2.

6. In light of the impacts of the proposal on agriculture, it is opportune to allow for a **thorough clarification of changes proposed** to the existing IED regime, including newly introduced concepts and changes regarding the agricultural sector.
 7. Against this background, the European Commission will inform the “**Agriculture and Fisheries**” Council on 26 September 2022 on the agricultural aspects of the proposal.
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