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Subject: Amended proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the equivalence of field inspections carried out in third countries on seed-producing crops and on the equivalence of seed produced in third countries (codification) (COM(2026) 128 final - 2024/0030(COD))  
- Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee

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Delegations will find attached the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee regarding the above mentioned subject.



# OPINION

European Economic and Social Committee

## Seed equivalence (codification)

Amended proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the equivalence of field inspections carried out in third countries on seed-producing crops and on the equivalence of seed produced in third countries (codification)  
(COM(2026) 128 final - 2024/0030(COD))

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Referral	Council, 1/4/2026 European Parliament, 30/3/2026
Legal basis	Articles 43(2) and 304 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
Section responsible	Section for Agriculture, Rural Development and the Environment
Adopted at plenary session	29/4/2026
Plenary session No	605
Outcome of vote (for/against/abstentions)	184/0/5

Since the Committee has already set out its views on the content of the proposal in question in its opinions *Equivalence of inspections – seed produced in Brazil and Moldova (modification)*<sup>1</sup>, adopted on 14/2/2018, and *Seed equivalence – Ukraine*<sup>2</sup>, adopted on 18/9/2020, it has decided not to draw up a new opinion on the subject, but to refer to the position it had taken in the above-mentioned documents.

Brussels, 29 April 2026.

*The President of the European Economic and Social Committee*  
Séamus BOLAND

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<sup>1</sup> [OJ C 227, 28.06.2018, p. 76.](#)

<sup>2</sup> [OJ C 429, 11.12.2020, p. 276.](#)

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