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LEOS

Open Source software for editing legislation

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1. ABOUT LEOS

About LEOS

Legislation Editing Open Software

Mission

"Make legislation drafting more efficient"

LEOS is designed to help those involved in drafting legislation, which is usually part of a complex process, by facilitating efficient online collaboration.

"Focus on the content not on the structure".

LEOS helps the drafters follow the rules and avoid mistakes.

Our journey

Our journey started under **ISA Programme** as **LEOS**.

Continued under **ISA² Programme** as **LegIT- 2016.38 Legislation Interoperability Tools** from Q2/2016 planned up until Q3/2021.

It is planned to be moved to the new **Digital Europe Programme** as for 2021.

What we offer

We deliver open source software that is inline with our mission and which is delivered for free under [European Union Public Licence](#).

We foster the uptake of the solution, by providing supporting services to users e.g. training service, workshops etc.

Last but not least, we support the growth of the open source community built around LEOS.

The Problem

Drafting legislation while:

- The process is complex
- There are a lot of stakeholders
- The process has both digital and paper version and
- You have to deal with versioning of documents



COLLABORATION

Online authoring tool, a single online workspace for all contributors, offering simultaneous collaboration on one draft.

STRUCTURE

If the structure is your challenge, our solution deals with the creation of acts from a template, and has all further editions subject to predefined structure rules.

REVIEW / COMMENTS

Features for review, comments or suggestions which can be approved (or rejected) and merged directly in.

VERSIONING

All versions are centrally stored, the users can have instant comparisons between successive versions.

RICH TEXT

If the text needs to be enriched with images, tables and mathematical formula.

IMPORT

If you need to reuse some text from existing sources like the Official Journal of the European Union.

Intuitive Edition of Text

The screenshot displays the European Commission's legal text editor. The top navigation bar includes the European Commission logo and a home icon followed by the text '> Legal Text'. Below this, a document icon is followed by the title 'Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on cross border delivery packages'. The interface is divided into three main sections: a navigation pane on the left, a toolbar at the top of the main text area, and the main text area itself. The navigation pane lists the document's structure: Preface, Preamble, and Enacting Terms. Under Enacting Terms, articles 1 through 13 are listed, with 'Article 6 - Assessment of cross-border single-p...' highlighted in blue. The main text area shows the content of Article 6, titled 'Assessment of cross-border single-piece parcel tariffs'. It contains two numbered paragraphs. Paragraph 1 states that the national regulatory authority shall identify cross-border tariffs for single-piece postal items. Paragraph 2 states that the authority shall objectively assess these tariffs, identifying those that are unreasonably high. Under paragraph 2, there are two sub-points: (a) 'the domestic and any other relevant tariffs of the comparable parcel delivery services in the originating Member State and in the destination Member State;' and (b) 'any application of a uniform tariff to two or more Member States;'. The toolbar at the top of the main text area includes various editing tools such as bold, italic, underline, and list creation. The version information 'v2.0.1 (minor) - last edited by CUMPS Veerle (SG) on 29/09/2019' is displayed in the top right corner of the main text area.

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Article 6

Assessment of cross-border single-piece parcel tariffs

1. On the basis of the public lists of tariffs obtained in accordance with Article 5, the national regulatory authority shall identify, for each of the single-piece postal items listed in the Annex, the cross-border tariffs of the parcel delivery service provider that originates in its Member State and that are subject to a universal service obligation that the national regulatory authority objectively considers necessary to assess.

2. The national regulatory authority shall objectively assess, in accordance with the principles in Article 12 of Directive 97/67/EC, the cross-border tariffs identified under paragraph 1 in order to identify those cross-border tariffs that it considers to be unreasonably high. In that assessment, the national regulatory authority shall in particular take into account the following elements:

- (a) the domestic and any other relevant tariffs of the comparable parcel delivery services in the originating Member State and in the destination Member State;
- (b) any application of a uniform tariff to two or more Member States;

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possible and appropriate, make available, at the pre-contractual stage, information about the cross-border delivery options in relation to the specific sales contract and charges payable by consumers for the cross-border parcel delivery, as well as, where applicable, their own complaints handling policies.

Chapter 3

Final provisions

Article 8

Penalties

1. Member States shall lay down the rules on the penalties applicable to infringements of this Regulation and shall take all measures necessary to ensure that they are implemented. The penalties provided for shall be effective, proportionate and dissuasive.
2. Member States shall, by 23 November 2019, notify the Commission of the provisions of their laws which they adopt pursuant to paragraph 1 and shall notify it, without delay, of any subsequent amendment affecting them.

Article 9

Confidentiality

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CHAPTER II

REGULATORY OVERSIGHT

Article 4

Provision of information

1. All parcel delivery service providers shall submit to the national regulatory authority of the Member State in which they are established the following information, unless that national regulatory authority has already requested and received it:

(a) their name, legal status and form, registration number in a trade or similar register, VAT identification number, the address of their establishment and the contact details of a contact person;

(b) the characteristics, and, where possible, a detailed description, of the parcel

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For Interservice Consultation

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Having regard to the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee¹,
Acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure,
Whereas:

(1) International trade is subject to Union customs legislation and a wide range of non-customs Union regulations established in different domains of Union competence under the Treaties. The laws governing non-customs regulatory requirements are applicable to specific goods in policy areas such as health and safety, the environment, agriculture, fisheries, cultural heritage and market surveillance. One of the main tasks assigned to customs authorities in line with the Union Customs Code (UCC)² is to ensure the security and safety of the Union and its residents, and the protection of the environment, where appropriate, other authorities. Customs and the authorities responsible for non-customs regulatory formalities ('partner competent authorities') often work in silos, creating complex and burdensome reporting obligations for traders and inefficient goods clearance processes conducive to error and fraud. To address the fragmented interoperability between customs and partner competent authorities in the management of goods clearance processes and to coordinate action in this area, the Commission and the Member States have taken a number of commitments over the years to develop single window initiatives for the clearance of goods.

(2) In accordance with [Article 4\(6\) of Decision No 70/2008/EC](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 January 2008 on a paperless environment for customs and

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Review and Comments

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The Commission shall evaluate at least the following:

- (a) the contribution of this Regulation to the improvement of cross-border parcel delivery services, including the affordability for SMEs and individuals, especially those located in remote or sparsely populated areas and whether the transparency of cross-border tariffs has improved;
- (b) the impact of this Regulation on cross-border parcel delivery levels, including data on delivery charges;
- (c) the extent to which national regulatory authorities have had difficulties applying this Regulation, including a quantitative analysis of the administrative consequences;

Article 12

Committee procedure

1. The Commission shall be assisted by the Postal Directive Committee established by [Article 21 of Directive 97/67/EC](#). That committee shall be a committee within the meaning of [Regulation \(EU\) No 182/2011](#).

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Annotations² Document Notes

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the impact of this Regulation on cross-border parcel delivery levels, including data on delivery charges

the impact of this Regulation on cross-border parcel delivery levels and e-commerce, including data on delivery charges

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the extent to which national regulatory authorities have had difficulties applying this Regulation, including a quantitative analysis of the administrative consequences;

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Collaboration

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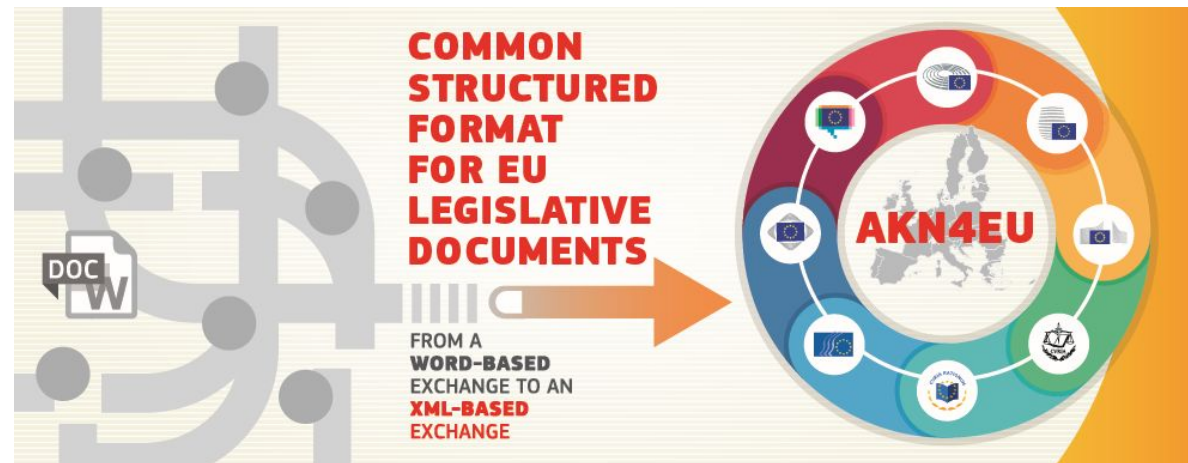
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Subject matter and scope

1. In order to improve the functioning of the internal market, this Directive aims to approximate the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to the accessibility requirements of the websites and mobile applications of public sector bodies, thereby enabling those websites and mobile applications to be more accessible to users, in particular to persons with disabilities.
2. This Directive lays down the rules requiring Member States to ensure that websites, independently of the device used for access thereto, and mobile applications of public sector bodies meet the accessibility requirements set out in Article 4.

Structure - Akoma Ntoso



<https://op.europa.eu/en/web/eu-vocabularies/akn4eu>



Demo

- Short demo of LEOS

2. LEOS COMMUNITY

Why LEOS?



Efficiency

Designed to improve the efficiency of legislation drafting.



Interoperability

Based on a well established standard (Akoma Ntoso)



Cost saving

LEOS solution is a result of years of experience and work in the field and it is released as open source under EUPL.



Extensible

LEOS configured to support different legal templates, structural rules and roles.



Usability

Designed with the user in mind to make the process easier.

Why join the Community?



Be part of the LEOS evolution.
Help define new features, changes, improvements.



Community meetings
Share experiences, discussions, success stories.



Documentation
Community is the place where you can find all the necessary documentation and other relevant discussions.



Training
We can help you with LEOS configuration, installation, etc.

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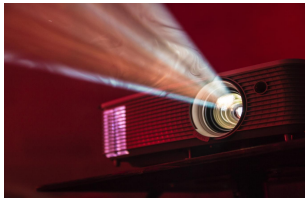


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