

European Training Foundation. Recast

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The Committee on Employment and Social Affairs adopted the recommendation for 2nd reading contained in the report drafted by Bernard **LEHIDEUX** (ALDE, FR) and approved the Council's common position as regards the adoption of a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a European Training Foundation (recast).

Committee Members recall that on 14 May 2008, the Parliament reached an agreement with the Council on the text of the new regulation. Due to the fact that, on 22 May 2008, amendments were adopted in plenary that were contrary to this agreement, a 2nd reading became necessary.

The Council's common position was announced in Plenary on 20 November 2008 and is identical to the agreement reached in May 2008, besides some linguistic adaptations. In the meantime, a majority of the political groups in EMPL confirmed their commitment to the agreement reached in May with the Council.

Consequently, the Common Position can be adopted without amendments.