



Basic information	
2024/0027(COD) COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Decision	Awaiting Parliament's position in 1st reading
Granting equivalence with EU requirements to Moldova and Ukraine as regards field inspections and production of seed Subject 3.10.03 Marketing and trade of agricultural products and livestock 3.10.06.04 Fodder plants Geographical area Moldova Ukraine	

Key players				
European Parliament	Committee responsible		Rapporteur	Appointed
	<div style="border: 1px solid red; display: inline-block; padding: 2px;">AGRI</div> Agriculture and Rural Development		VRECIONOVÁ Veronika (ECR)	20/11/2024
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	Former committee responsible		Former rapporteur	Appointed
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Council of the European Union				
European Commission	Commission DG		Commissioner	
	Health and Food Safety		KYRIAKIDES Stella	
European Economic and Social Committee				

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
05/02/2024	Legislative proposal published	COM(2024)0052 	Summary
26/02/2024	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
13/11/2024	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
19/03/2025	Vote in committee, 1st reading		
19/03/2025	Committee decision to open interinstitutional negotiations with report adopted in committee		
25/03/2025	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A10-0043/2025	
31/03/2025	Committee decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations announced in plenary (Rule 71)		

Forecasts	
07/07/2025	Indicative plenary sitting date, 1st reading

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2024/0027(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the EU TFEU 043-p2
Mandatory consultation of other institutions	European Economic and Social Committee
Stage reached in procedure	Awaiting Parliament's position in 1st reading
Committee dossier	AGRI/10/00337

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE766.952	20/12/2024	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE768.215	10/02/2025	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A10-0043/2025	25/03/2025	
European Commission				
Document type	Reference	Date	Summary	
Legislative proposal	COM(2024)0052 	05/02/2024	Summary	
Other institutions and bodies				
Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary

ESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0852/2024	20/03/2024	
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Meetings with interest representatives published in line with the Rules of Procedure

Rapporteurs, Shadow Rapporteurs and Committee Chairs

Name	Role	Committee	Date	Interest representatives
BUDA Daniel	Shadow rapporteur	AGRI	12/02/2025	Mission of the Republic of Moldova to the EU
CĂRCIU Gheorghe	Shadow rapporteur	AGRI	29/01/2025	Euroseeds
BUDA Daniel	Shadow rapporteur	AGRI	27/01/2025	Euroseeds
VRECIIONOVÁ Veronika	Rapporteur	AGRI	13/11/2024	Euroseeds

Granting equivalence with EU requirements to Moldova and Ukraine as regards field inspections and production of seed

2024/0027(COD) - 05/02/2024 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to grant equivalence with EU requirements for fodder plant seed produced in the Republic of Moldova and officially certified by its authorities, and for beet, sunflower and rape seed produced in Ukraine and officially certified by its authorities.

PROPOSED ACT: Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the European Parliament decides in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure and on an equal footing with the Council.

BACKGROUND: Council Decision 2003/17/EC grants equivalence to certain non-EU countries as regards field inspections and production of seed of certain species that are carried out in accordance with Council Directives 66/401/EEC, 66/402/EEC, 2002/54/EC, 2002/55/EC and 2002/57/EC.

Moldova is included in those non-EU countries since 2018 as regards cereal seed, vegetable seed and seed of oil and fibre plants. In 2022, it submitted a request to the Commission that fodder plant seed is covered by the equivalence set out in Council Decision 2003/17/EC.

Ukraine is included in those non-EU countries since 2020 as regards cereal seed. In 2022 Ukraine submitted a request to the Commission that seed of beet, sunflower and swede rape is covered by the equivalence set out in Council Decision 2003/17/EC. In 2023, Ukraine submitted an additional request for seed of soya bean.

Following those requests, the Commission examined the applicable legislations of Moldova and of Ukraine. It concluded that the requirements and systems in place in those countries are equivalent to the ones of the Union and offer the same assurance as the Union's system.

CONTENT: the proposal **grants equivalence to applicable Union law:**

(a) as regards field inspections carried out in respect of fodder plant seed-producing crops in Moldova, and as regards fodder plant seed produced in Moldova and officially certified by its authorities; and

(b) as regards field inspections carried out in respect of seed-producing crops of beet, sunflower, swede rape and soya bean in Ukraine, and as regards seed of beet, sunflower, swede rape and soya bean produced in Ukraine and officially certified by its authorities.

The proposal will stimulate seed trade between Moldova and the EU and between Ukraine and the EU. It will allow companies that are entitled to multiply varieties included in the EU common catalogue of varieties to invest in seed production capacities in those countries.