Electronic transactions in the internal market: electronic identification and trust services

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The Commission presented to ministers a new draft regulation to enable cross-border and secure electronic transactions in the EU, adopted on 4 June 2012.

The draft regulation:

- lays down rules for electronic identification and electronic trust services for electronic transactions with a view to ensuring the proper functioning of the internal market;
- establishes a legal framework for electronic signatures, electronic seals, electronic time stamps, electronic documents, electronic delivery services and website authentication;
- contribute to building trust and confidence in the on-line market for goods and services and therefore to the completion of the internal market and growth.