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Revision of the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED)

The Industrial Emissions Directive is, together with the Urban Waste Water Treatment Directive and the Nitrates Directive, one of the key elements of emission control within the EU water protection framework. It regulates emissions from about 52 000 agro-industrial installations across the EU. These include among others: power plants, refineries, production of steel, non-ferrous metals, cement, lime, glass, chemicals, pulp and paper, food and drink, waste treatment and incineration and the intensive rearing of poultry or pigs. Originally adopted in 1996, the current version dates from 2010.

In April 2022 the Commission adopted proposals for a revision.

EWA NEWS presents you the key elements of the legislative proposal, plus links to the full text of the proposed new legislation, of the evaluation and the impact assessment, as well as - for cross comparison - the text of the existing 2010 Directive.