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Press Release

The Digital Services Act acknowledges gap in the online product supply chain

The Digital Services Act is a unique opportunity to upgrade our EU rules for eCommerce and make them fit for today's market reality. The current legal framework does not ensure that always within the online product supply chain there is an economic actor who is established in the EU jurisdiction and can be held liable for the breach of EU rules.

"The new Regulation must ensure that only safe, quality and compliant lighting products are placed on the EU market and must prevent the listing or re-listing of non-compliant products," said Ourania Georgoutsakou, Secretary General of LightingEurope. "The European Commission proposal published yesterday acknowledges that online intermediaries need to do more to ensure non-compliant products are not made available to EU customers. We also note the commitment to robust enforcement of the proposed rules, in particular with the introduction of substantial penalties that Member States will now have to establish," she added.

LightingEurope is assessing the new proposed measures and will share its technical expertise with EU institutions to help shape these new measures. LightingEurope's objective is to deliver a positive and fair business and regulatory environment, one that fosters fair competition and growth for Europe's industry and ensures that EU citizens only access compliant lighting products that benefit human comfort, safety and well-being, and the environment.

Background

The European Commission published yesterday its proposal for a Regulation on a Single Market for Digital Services (the Digital Services Act). The draft acknowledges the need to address the availability of non-compliant products online. LightingEurope experts are evaluating the proposals to ensure non-compliant products are prevented from being made available to EU customers. The draft proposals will now be evaluated by the European Parliament and the European Council, who will negotiate and adopt the final version of the text.

For more details, read our position paper.

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About LightingEurope

LightingEurope is the voice of the lighting industry, based in Brussels and representing 33 companies and national associations. Together these members account for over 1,000 European companies, a majority of which are small or medium-sized. They represent a total European workforce of over 100,000 people and an annual turnover exceeding 20 billion euro. LightingEurope is committed to promoting efficient lighting that benefits human comfort, safety and

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