

9.6A. Practical Info Research Example [New]

Because, at least for researchers, it is important to look at preparatory information to E.U. legislation, the following gives a practical example of where and how to find such information (and immediately below is also mentioned the sections in the book that the information is related to).

9.4.2. Regulations, Directives & Decisions

9.4.3. Preparatory Documents

9.4.5. E.U. Case law

9.4.8. Parliamentary documentation

9.4.10. Consilium documentation

If we want to investigate what information is available related to:

Directive 2001/29/EC

We decide to:

- Search by natural number at www.eur-lex.europa.eu/RECH_naturel.do (Remember: Directives list the year first and then the number, whereas, regulations list the number first, followed by the year)
- To minimize the number of search “hits,” we choose “Directive” and fill in year “2001” and number “29” -- see Appendix 1 below
- Result is shown below as Appendix 2.

In the result, we decide to look for further information related to the “original” Directive from back in year 2001.

- To minimize our further results, we decide we only want “Bibliographic notice WITHOUT text of the Directive.”

- Thus, we click the link “Biographic notice” under CELEX document number “32001L0029”.¹
- Result is shown below as Appendix 3

The final result contains the following headings and sub-headings [*italics* indicate links to information that might have to be scrutinized by the researcher]:

- **Title** [of document] **and reference** [to publication in Official Journal].
- [Links to] **Text** [of Directive document]
- **Dates** on:
 - Of document
 - Of effect
 - End of validity
 - Deadline
- **Classification**
 - EUROVOC² descriptor
 - Directory code
 - Subject matter
- **Miscellaneous information:**
 - Author
 - Form
 - Addressee [for document]
 - Additional information
- **Procedure:**
 - Procedure number
 - *Legislative history* [in Commission, Council, Parliament, etc.]
 - *European Parliament* – OEIL³
- **Relationship between documents** [give info & links to amongst others]:
 - *Treaty* [as background for legislation]
 - *Legal basis*
 - Select all documents based on this documents

¹ An explanation for CELEX document numbering is given in the book’s section 9.6.8.

² EUROVOC is a multilingual, multidisciplinary thesaurus covering the activities of the EU, and the European Parliament in particular. It contains terms in 22 EU languages, plus Croatian and Serbian. EuroVoc is managed by the Publications Office at <http://eurovoc.europa.eu>.

³ OEIL is the “Legislative Observatory of the European Parliament” at www.europarl.europa.eu/oeil.

European Union Resources

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- *Amended by*
- Consolidated version [if available]
- Affected by *case [-law]*
- Display the *national execution measures*
- *Instruments cited*
- Select all documents mentioning this document

From the above, it should be noted that the link to the European Parliament's database "OEIL"'s "Procedure file" page contains important information and very valuable hyperlinks to, for example (see Appendix 4):

- Identification [used in Parliament]:
 - Reference identification in Parliament
 - "Title" [subject matter]
 - Legal Basis
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 - E.U. Parliament positions
 - Final legislative act
 - Follow up documents
- Agents:
 - E.U. Parliament [Committee, Rapporteur, Political Group, etc.]
 - E.U. Commission and Consilium
- Links to other sources
 - National Parliaments [IPEX⁴ database]
 - European Commission [PreLex⁵]

⁴ The new 2.0 IPEX for the Lisbon Treaty was launched 28 June 2011. Blending sections Documents, National Parliaments and the European Parliament, Calendar and EU Speaker's Conference, IPEX is a tool for anyone interested in following the national parliaments at work, exchanging information and effectively applying the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon. See further: How to use IPEX and the IPEX Manual at www.ipex.eu

⁵ See book page 317.

APPENDIX 1



EUR-Lex

Access to European Union law

English (en)

[EUROPA](#) > [EUR-Lex Home](#) > [Simple search](#) > [Natural number](#)

Search by natural number

Select one of the following document types

All legislation

Regulation

Directive

Decision

National execution measures

COM final

SEC

European Court case

Enter the year (4 digits)

Enter the number (maximum 4 digits)

APPENDIX 2



EUR-Lex

Access to European Union law

English (en)

[EUROPA](#) > [EUR-Lex Home](#) > [Simple search](#) > [Search results](#)

Search

- ▶ **Query 8** - Natural number: Directive 2001 29 -
[6 Hit\(s\) Refine](#)
- ▶ [New search](#)
- ▶ [Search history](#)

Search results

Complementary data: [Dates](#) [Languages and formats available](#) [Classifications](#)
Display results: [ordered by date](#)

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▶ 32001L0029R(05)

This corrigendum does not concern the English version.

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▶ 32001L0029R(04)

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▶ 32001L0029R(03)

This corrigendum does not concern the English version.

▶ [Bibliographic notice](#)

▶ 32001L0029R(02)

This corrigendum does not concern the English version.

▶ [Bibliographic notice](#)

▶ 32001L0029R(01)

Corrigendum to Directive 2001/29/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 on the harmonisation of certain aspects of copyright and related rights in the information society (OJ L 167 of 22.6.2001)

OJ L 6, 10.1.2002, p. 70–70 (ES, DA, DE, EL, EN, FR, IT, NL, PT, FI, SV)

- ▶ [Bibliographic notice](#)
- ▶ [Bibliographic notice + Text \(bilingual display\)](#)
- ▶ [html](#)

▶ **32001L0029**

Directive 2001/29/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 on the harmonisation of certain aspects of copyright and related rights in the information society

OJ L 167, 22.6.2001, p. 10–19 (ES, DA, DE, EL, EN, FR, IT, NL, PT, FI, SV)

- ▶ **Bibliographic notice**
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APPENDIX 3



EUR-Lex

Access to European Union law

English (en)

[EUROPA](#) > [EUR-Lex Home](#) > [Simple search](#) > [Search results](#) > [Bibliographic notice](#)**32001L0029**

▶ **Permanent link** (for bookmarking) **Complementary data:** Languages and formats available Text (bilingual display)

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Title and reference

Directive 2001/29/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 on the harmonisation of certain aspects of copyright and related rights in the information society

*OJ L 167, 22.6.2001, p. 10–19 (ES, DA, DE, EL, EN, FR, IT, NL, PT, FI, SV)**Special edition in Czech: Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239**Special edition in Estonian: Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239**Special edition in Hungarian Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239**Special edition in Lithuanian: Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239**Special edition in Latvian: Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239**Special edition in Maltese: Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239**Special edition in Polish: Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239**Special edition in Slovakian: Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239**Special edition in Slovenian: Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239**Special edition in Bulgarian: Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239**Special edition in Romanian: Chapter 17 Volume 01 P. 230 - 239*

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Text

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Dates

of document: 22/05/2001

of effect: 22/06/2001; Entry into force Date pub. See Art 14

end of validity: 99/99/9999

deadline: 22/12/2002; At the latest See Art 13.1

Classifications

▶ **EUROVOC descriptor:**

[information society](#)
[copyright](#)
[approximation of laws](#)

▶ **Directory code:**17.20.00.00 [Law relating to undertakings](#) / [Intellectual property law](#)▶ **Subject matter:**

Approximation of laws, Internal market, Industrial and commercial property

Miscellaneous information

▶ **Author:**

European Parliament, Council

▶ **Form:**

Directive

- ▶ **Addressee:**
The Member States
- ▶ **Additional information:**
COD 97/0359
Directive amending
Extended to the EEA by 22004D0110

Procedure

- ▶ **Procedure number:**
COD(1997)0359
- ▶ **Legislative history:**
Proposal Commission; Com 97/0628 Final OJ C 108/1998 P 6
Proposal Commission; Com 99/0250 Final OJ C 180/1999 P 6
Opinion Economic and Social Committee; OJ C 407/1998 P 30
Co-decision procedure
Opinion European Parliament; OJ C 150/1999 P 171
Co-decision procedure
Common position Council; OJ C 344/2000 P 1
Co-decision procedure
Decision European Parliament; given on 14/02/2001
Co-decision procedure
Decision Council; given on 09/04/2001
- ▶ **[European Parliament - OEIL](#)**

Relationship between documents

- ▶ **Treaty:**
European Community
- ▶ **Legal basis:**
[11997E047](#) -P2

[11997E055](#)

[11997E095](#)

[11997E251](#)
- ▶ **[Select all documents based on this document](#)**
- ▶ **Amendment to:**
[31992L0100](#) Amendment Replacement Article 10.3 from 22/06/2001
[31992L0100](#) Amendment abolition Article 7 from 22/06/2001
[31993L0098](#) Amendment Replacement Article 3.2 from 22/06/2001
[51997PC0628](#) Adoption
- ▶ **Amended by:**
Corrected by [32001L0029R\(01\)](#)
Corrected by [32001L0029R\(02\)](#)
Corrected by [32001L0029R\(03\)](#)
Corrected by [32001L0029R\(04\)](#)
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- ▶ **Consolidated versions (pdf)**
[2001-06-22](#)
- ▶ **Affected by case:**
A04P2 Interpreted by [62004J0479](#)
A04P2 Declared valid [62004J0479](#)
Interpreted by [62005J0306](#)
A03P1 Interpreted by [62005J0306](#)
Interpreted by [62006J0275C\(01\)](#)
A04P1 Interpreted by [62006J0456](#)

Article 4.1 Interpreted by [62006J0456C\(01\)](#)
Interpreted by [62007O0557](#)
A08P3 Interpreted by [62007O0557](#)
Article 5.1 PT A) interpretation requested by [62007P0557C\(01\)](#)
Article 8.3 interpretation requested by [62007P0557C\(01\)](#)
A02 Interpreted by [62008J0005](#)
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Article 2 Interpreted by [62008J0005C\(01\)](#)
Article 5.1 Interpreted by [62008J0005C\(01\)](#)
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Article 5.2 .B Interpreted by [62008J0467C\(01\)](#)
Article 2 interpretation requested by [62008P0005C\(01\)](#)
Article 5.1 interpretation requested by [62008P0005C\(01\)](#)
Article 5.5 interpretation requested by [62008P0005C\(01\)](#)
Article 2 interpretation requested by [62008P0403C\(01\)](#)
Article 3 interpretation requested by [62008P0403C\(01\)](#)
Article 5.1 interpretation requested by [62008P0403C\(01\)](#)
interpretation requested by [62008P0467C\(01\)](#)
Article 5.2 PT B) interpretation requested by [62008P0467C\(01\)](#)
Article 3.1 Interpreted by [62009J0136C\(01\)](#)
Interpreted by [62009J0393](#)
A03P1 Interpreted by [62009J0393](#)
Article 3.1 Interpreted by [62009J0393C\(01\)](#)
A03P1 Interpreted by [62009O0136](#)
Article 3.1 interpretation requested by [62009P0136C\(01\)](#)
Article 5.2 PTB) interpretation requested by [62009P0387C\(01\)](#)
Article 3.1 interpretation requested by [62009P0393C\(01\)](#)
Article 5.2 PT B) interpretation requested by [62009P0462C\(01\)](#)
Article 5.5 PT B) interpretation requested by [62009P0462C\(01\)](#)
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► **Instruments cited:**
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APPENDIX 4

 Procedure file











The information here reflects the current status of the procedure

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 Identification

Reference	COD/1997/0359
Title	Information society: copyright and related rights
Legal Basis	EC 047-p2 ; EC 095 ; EC 055 ; EP 050
Dossier of the committee	JURI/5/13024
Subject(s)	3.50.15 Intellectual property, copyright
Stage reached	Procedure completed

 Stages

Stages	Documents: references					Dates	
	Source reference	Equivalent references	Votes and amendments	Joint resolution	of document	of publication in Official Journal	
Commission/Council: initial legislative document	 EC COM(1997)0628	C4-0079/1998			10/12/1997	C 108 07.04.1998, p. 0006	
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	ESC CES1122/1998				09/09/1998	C 407 28.12.1998, p. 0030	
EP: draft report by the committee responsible	EP PE225.907				17/09/1998		
EP: draft report by the committee responsible	EP PE225.907AMC2				18/01/1999		
EP: decision of the committee responsible, 1st reading/single reading					20/01/1999		
EP: tabled legislative report, 1st reading or single reading	EP A4-0026/1999				20/01/1999	C 150 28.05.1999, p. 0004	
EP: position, 1st reading or single reading	 EP T4-0094/1999				10/02/1999	C 150 28.05.1999, p. 0154-0183	
Commission: modified legislative proposal	 EC COM(1999)0250	C4-0252/1999			21/05/1999	C 180 25.06.1999, p. 0006	
Council position	 CSL 09512/1/2000	C5-0520/2000			28/09/2000	C 344 01.12.2000, p. 0001	
Commission: communication on the Council position	 EC SEC(2000)1734				20/10/2000		
EP: draft report by the committee responsible	EP PE298.368				03/01/2001		
EP: decision of the committee responsible, 2nd reading					05/02/2001		
EP: tabled legislative report, 2nd reading	EP A5-0043/2001				05/02/2001		
EP: position, 2nd reading	 EP T5-0077/2001				14/02/2001	C 276 01.10.2001, p. 0051-0121	
Commission: opinion on the EP position at second reading	 EC COM(2001)0170	C5-0137/2001			29/03/2001		
Final legislative act	 EU 32001L0029				22/05/2001	L 167 22.06.2001, p. 0010	


 Follow-up documents

 Agents

European Parliament

Committee	Rapporteur / Co-rapporteurs	 Previous	Political group	Appointed
Legal Affairs and Internal Market (responsible)	Boselli Enrico		PSE	23/09/1999

European Commission and Council of the Union

Council of the Union	General Affairs	meeting: 2342	of: 09/04/2001
 Previous Councils			

Links to other sources

National parliaments	IPEX
European Commission	PreLex

22/05/2001 - Final legislative act

PURPOSE : to create, within the internal market, a harmonised and flexible legal framework of copyright and related rights in the information society.

COMMUNITY MEASURE : Directive 2001/29/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the harmonisation of certain aspects of copyright and related rights in the information society.

CONTENT : the Directive aims in particular to harmonise reproduction and communication rights, to make public and to distribute the works. The adoption of this Directive is, in addition, indispensable for the Community and its Member States to adhere to the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Copyright treaty and the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty (TIEP), concluded in December 1996.

The Directive is based on the principle of fair and balanced research between the interests of the rightholder (holder of author rights and other rights), on the one hand, and on the other hand, the interests of the other parties (internet suppliers, consumers, producers of equipment, libraries, publishers and other beneficiaries of exceptions to rights in the Member States taking into account the possibilities that new technologies offer. It also provides that the Member States should agree to exclusive author's rights concerning the reproduction of their work as well as the communication and distribution of those to the public.

Moreover, the Directive provides for an exhaustive enumeration of exceptions and limitations to the reproduction right and the right of communication to the public. Some exceptions or limitations only apply to the reproduction right, where appropriate. The list takes due account of the different legal traditions in Member States, while at the same time, aiming to ensure a functioning internal market. Member States should arrive at a coherent application of these exceptions and limitations, which will be assessed when reviewing implementing legislation in the future. Member States should be given the option of providing for certain exceptions or limitations for such cases such as educational and scientific purposes, for the benefit of public institutions and archives, for the purpose of new reporting, for quotations, for use by people with disabilities, for public security uses and for uses in administrative and judicial proceedings.

Furthermore, Member States may provide for fair compensation for rightholders also when applying the optional provisions on exceptions or limitations which do not require such compensation.



The rightholders are also authorised to protect their work in an efficient way so as to prevent all illicit use.

However, if the rightholders have not taken the voluntary measures so that the beneficiaries of certain exceptions have access to their protected work, the Member States shall take the appropriate measures in order to allow the users to benefit from these exceptions.

Lastly, Member States shall bring into the force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive before 22 December 2002.

ENTRY INTO FORCE : the Directive shall enter into force 22/06/2001.

List of summaries

	30/11/2007	Commission/Council: follow-up document
	18/05/2005	Document annexed to the procedure
	22/05/2001	Final legislative act
	29/03/2001	Commission: opinion on the EP position at second reading
	14/02/2001	EP: position, 2nd reading
	05/02/2001	EP: decision of the committee responsible, 2nd reading
	20/10/2000	Commission: communication on the Council position
	28/09/2000	Council position
	25/05/2000	Council's activities
	21/05/1999	Commission: modified legislative proposal
	10/02/1999	EP: position, 1st reading or single reading
	20/01/1999	EP: decision of the committee responsible, 1st reading/single reading
	10/12/1997	Commission/Council: initial legislative document

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