

**Agreement
for Co-operation in Dealing with Pollution
of the North Sea by Oil and Other Harmful Substances**

Bonn, 13 September 1983

Entry into force: 1 September 1989 in accordance with Article 19 (1) thereof:
“This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following the date on which the Governments of all the States mentioned in Article 18 of this Agreement and the European Economic Community have signed the Agreement without reservation as to ratification, acceptance or approval or have deposited an instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval.”

Amended by: - Decision of 22 September 1989 concerning amendments of the Agreement; entry into force on 1 April 1994 in accordance with Art 16 (2) of the Agreement

- Exchange of Notes between Denmark, Norway and Sweden of 24 January 1994 concerning the realignment of the boundaries of their zones of national responsibility; entry into force on 1 October 1995 according to Art. 17 (2) of the Agreement

- Decision of 21 September 2001 to enable the accession of Ireland to the Agreement; entry into force of the amendments to the Agreement on 1 April 2010, entry into force of the amendment to the Annex of the Agreement on 1 June 2017 (together with the entry into force of the „Instrument of modification“ which was set up by the Secretariat of the Bonn Agreement on 21 October 2016, summarizes all bilateral realignments of boundaries of zones of national responsibility and which was adopted by the Contracting Parties through silence procedure)

- Decision of 19 October 2019 of the contracting parties to enable the accession of Spain to the Agreement.

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German Federal Law Gazette 1990 II p. 70, 71;
1995 II p. 179, 180; 2017 II p. 757

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Contracting Party	Signature	Deposit of the Instrument of Ratification (1) or Accession (2)	Entry into force
Belgium	13.09.1983	06.07.1989 (1)	01.09.1989
Denmark	13.09.1983	27.02.1985 (1)	01.09.1989
European Union ¹	13.09.1983	28.06.1984 (1)	01.09.1989
France	13.09.1983	30.01.1986 (1)	01.09.1989
Germany	13.09.1983	13.09.1983 (1)	01.09.1989
Ireland		27.01.2010 (2)	01.04.2010
Netherlands	13.09.1983	04.05.1984 (1)	01.09.1989
Norway	13.09.1983	30.05.1985 (1)	01.09.1989
Spain		26.11.2021 (2)	01.01.2022
Sweden	13.09.1983	10.05.1984 (1)	01.09.1989
United Kingdom	13.09.1983	21.05.1985 (1)	01.09.1989

(All dates are given in the format dd.mm.yyyy.)

¹ Pursuant to Article 1 (3) of the Treaty on European Union as amended by the Treaty of Lisbon, which entered into force on 1 December 2009 (BGBl. II 2008, p. 1038, 1039; BGBl. II 2009 p. 1223), the European Union is, as of 1 December 2009, to be deemed a contracting party to all international instruments to which the European Community was a contracting party and shall replace it as such (BGBl. II 2010 p. 250).