

**Facts:**

- The law ensures the right to freedom of establishment for companies in Denmark – and that foreign companies have the right to sell services in Denmark on a temporary basis. It obliges Danish authorities to accept documents issued in other EU-countries. And it prohibits companies from discriminating against consumers – e.g. different prices for the same service decided upon nationality and place of residence.
- The transposition of the Services Directive in Denmark is ongoing and much needs to be done before the deadline in December 2009:

The Danish Enterprise and Construction Authority coordinating the transposition is preparing a internet portal, a point of single contact, which will make it easier for foreign companies to obtain authorisations and information.

A major part of Danish legislation has been screened for incongruence with the principles of the law and before the end of the year a report consisting of the screening results will be sent to the Commission. Several Danish laws and executive orders will be adjusted.

Danish authorities are to be registered in a new electronic system, developed by the Commission. The system will make it easier for authorities within the EU to cooperate without any linguistic barriers or delays due to lack of direct contact between the right authorities. This is intended to increase the trust in foreign companies among consumers. And it will ensure that authorities bear a bigger share of the work load of case processing – to the benefit of the businesses.

Denmark is still active in several working groups in the EU – not the least to ensure a correct and timely transposition of the Services Directive in the other member states.

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