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### DIR 36 INFRINGEMENT - THE LUXEMBOURG CASE

After years of negotiations with the Luxembourg Government, the Luxembourg National Nurses' Association (ANIL), a member of EFN, made a complaint with DG Internal Market of the European Commission in December 2007, against Luxembourg for non compliance with the Directive 2005/36/EC.

In 2008 and 2009, several meetings were organised with the related Ministries (National Education, Health, and Higher Education), after the European Commission sent letters of formal notice.

The Luxembourg Government had to react and its Council decided, in its meeting of 26 February 2010, to increase the training of nurses from three to four years of study and the theoretical hours with 10%, excluding the student study time, to get close to the hours fixed by the directive.

Now, the nurses' training will fulfil the provisions of Directive 2005/36/EC, in particular as regards the 4.600 hours of theoretical and clinical training, the duration of the theoretical training representing at least a third (1.534 hours) and clinical training at least one half of the minimum duration of training (2.300 hours).

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#### **Further information:**

- [National Nurses Association of Luxembourg \(ANIL\)](#) ;
- [Conseil de gouvernement](#) – summary of meeting 26/02/2010;
- [Directive 2005/36/EC](#);
- EFN [Policy](#) & [Position](#) Statements on Synergy between Directive 36, Bologna & European Qualifications Framework.

