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Basis for EIOPA's response to the EC technical input



THE GOAL

More accessible, cost-effective and attractive supplementary pensions



HOW

Simplification and scalability as key drivers



BUILDING BLOCKS **EU Court of Auditors Special Report on Pensions (May 2025)**

PEPP Staff Paper (Sep. 2024)

IORP II 2023 Review - EIOPA's Technical Advice (Sep. 2023)



IORP II review: goals and main proposals

Facilitating IORPs' access to alternative assets

- Option 1: Full Risk-Based Approach No blanket restrictions (except for DC schemes).
- Option 2: Legal Clarification Permit alternative investments with limited national discretion.

Fostering growth of the IORP sector through scale and simplified cross-border procedures

- Expand Coverage: Introduce (semi-)mandatory participation with auto-enrolment in IORPs and workplace PEPPs.
- Promote Pooling: Enable asset pooling and outsourcing with strong governance to manage conflicts of interest.
- Support consolidation: Facilitate market consolidation via regulatory frameworks (incl. reconfiguration of the IORP scope, licensing and prudential requirements).
- Foster Multi-Employer Funds: Encourage sector-wide collective arrangements.
- Clarify IORP Definition and Scope: Focus on purpose (providing retirement benefits), not legal form—enabling access for self-employed and non-standard workers; specify application to IORPs without legal personality and their managing entities.

Strengthening supervision and members' protection

- Enhance NCA Powers: Clarify and expand powers to include preventive, corrective, and regulatory actions (including through a revised supervisory review process and ensure independence).
- Mandate the appointment of an independent depositary for pure DC schemes to strengthen member protection.

Improving information transparency to members and beneficiaries

- Digital Tools (calculators and scenario planners); decumulation guide (available options and key risks e.g. longevity, inflation, tax).
- Pre-Retirement Statement" (projections, available options, expected fees); "Annual Income Statement" (update on income, fees, risks, and review opportunities); "At-Retirement Statement" (chosen options, payment structure, tax implications).



PEPP review: 'EuroPension' as a label for standardised PEPP products

Introduction of an EU label for Basic PEPPs – EuroPension – to ensure its success as the EU's default personal pension product

- EIOPA's 2025 Eurobarometer survey: 54% of EU consumers would be more likely to buy a pension product if it had an official EU label, increasing to 65% for those under 24 years old.
- For savers: 'EuroPension' label would function as a clear mark of quality, signalling that the product adheres to stringent EU standards
- For providers: the EU label would help them attract savers looking for a simple and transparent pension option.
- EIOPA proposes a set of measures to make the EuroPension label safe for consumers and to reduce burden for providers.

Current structure of the Basic PEPP is rigid, leading to low uptake

Approach including Value for Money

Exploring simplified advice regime

Exploring alternatives for supervision and registration New
'EuroPension'
Label

Optional sub-accounts

Easier transfers in/out

Life-cycling as default risk mitigation including guarantees for additional value



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