

New Recommendation for research institutions

The European Commission released a new Recommendation in regards to export compliance of dual-use items for individuals and organisations involved in the field of research

It is of big interest for research organisations to take effective internal measure to minimise the risk of non-compliance and facing legal liability. Therefore, sufficient resources need to be allocated by research organisations to ensure their compliancy.



A new recommendation on internal compliance programmes for controls of research involving dual-use items under Regulation (EU) 2021/821 of the European Parliament and of the Council setting up a Union regime for the control of exports, brokering, technical assistance, transit and transfer of dual-use items was released by the EU Commission on 15 September 2021.

The goal of this recommendation is to assure a system which is effective, uniform, and consistent to promote an equal playing field among EU operators and EU and international security and the compliance with the international commitments and responsibilities of the Member States and of

the European Union.

This recommendation provides a framework to help all individuals in the field of research, providing them with an Internal Compliance Program (ICP) with internal policies and procedures they can put in place. Helping them to manage and mitigate risks associated with dual-use export controls. The recommendation intends to raise awareness, reduce efforts regarding export control for dual-use items, and attract public and private investments from across the world.

It remains a recommendation and is non-binding, however, research organisations and researchers are obliged to comply with Regulation (EU) 2021/821. Click <u>here</u> to find out more information on the new recommendation.

Source: Commission Recommendation (EU) 2021/1700