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# **European Interim Agreement on Social Security Schemes relating to Old Age, Invalidity and Survivors**

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# Annex I – Social Security Schemes to which the Agreement applies

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# **Belgium**

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. The income guaranteed to aged persons.
- b. Retirement and survivors' pensions : schemes for employed persons and for selfemployed persons.
- c. Sickness and invalidity insurance : schemes for employed persons and for self-employed persons.
- d. Allowances for handicapped persons.

The schemes listed under a. and d. are of a non-contributory nature, the others being contributory.

# **Cyprus**

Social Insurance Law and the Regulations made thereunder which establish a scheme providing benefits in respect of old-age, invalidity and benefits payable to survivors (widow's pension and orphan's benefit).

The scheme is of a contributory nature.

## **Czech Republic**

Schemes regulated by the Social Insurance Act related to:

- a. old-age pensions.
- b. invalidity pension.
- c. survival pension (widow, widower and orphan pension).

All the above are contributory schemes.

#### **Denmark**

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. Old-age pensions.
- b. Invalidity pensions.
- c. Widow's pensions (to be abolished with effect from 1 January 1984).
- d. The Labour Market Supplementary Pension.

All these schemes are of a non-contributory nature, with the exception of the Labour Market Supplementary Pension which implies contributions from the employers and the employees.

#### **Estonia**

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. Old age pensions;
- b. National pensions;
- c. Invalidity pensions;
- d. Survivors pensions;
- e. Social tax.

The schemes listed under a, c and d are contributory social security schemes. The scheme mentioned under b. is non-contributory.

#### **France**

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. The organisation of social security.
- b. General provisions governing the social insurance system applicable to insured persons in non-agriculture employment.
- c. Social insurance provisions applicable to employed persons, and persons treated as employed persons, in agricultural employment.
- d. Allowances granted to aged employees.
- e. Allowances granted to aged persons other than employees.
- f. Special social security schemes.
- g. Laws on special allowances.
- h. Allowances for compensation to the blind and to seriously disabled workers.
- i. The additional benefit paid by the Fonds national de Solidarité.
- j. Law No. 65/555 of 10 July 1965, published in the Official Gazette of the French Republic on 11 July 1965, extending to all persons of French nationality working elsewhere than on French territory (whether employees or not) the option of joining the voluntary insurance scheme.
- k. Law No. 76-1287 of 31 December 1976, published in the Official Gazette of the French Republic on 1 January 1977, relating to the situation with regard to the social security of French workers seconded or expatriated abroad.
- I. Law No. 80-471 of 27 June 1980, published in the Official Gazette of the French Republic of 28 June 1980, extending the social protection of French nationals abroad.

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m. Law No. 84-604 of 13 July 1984, published in the Official Gazette of the French Republic of 14 July 1984, adopting various measures relating to the improvement of the social protection of French nationals abroad.

The schemes listed under a., b., c. and f. above are of a contributory nature.

The schemes listed under d., g., h. and i. are non-contributory.

The laws relating to e. provide, first, for a permanent scheme of a contributory nature, and, secondly, for a temporary scheme of a non-contributory nature applied to persons who do not fulfil the conditions governing payment of contributions prescribed under the contributory scheme.

# Germany

Laws and regulations relating to:

- Pension insurance for manual workers.
- b. Pension insurance for salaried employees and artisans.
- c. Pension insurance for miners.

All these schemes are of a contributory nature.

## Greece

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. Social insurance.
- b. Special pension schemes for certain categories of workers, including certain liberal professions (lawyers, doctors, civil engineers, etc.).

These schemes are of a contributory nature.

- c. The system of family allowances applicable to employed persons (Legislative Decree No. 3868/1959 and Regulations).
- d. Social Insurance for agricultural workers (Law 4169/1961, Legislative Decrees and Regulations).

# Iceland

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. Old-age pensions.
- b. Invalidity pensions.
- c. i. Children's annuities.
  - ii. Widows' annuities.

For the purpose of this Agreement, these schemes are accepted as non-contributory.

#### Ireland

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. Non-contributory Old Age and Blind Persons' Pensions.
- b. Contributory Old Age, Retirement and Invalidity Pensions.
- c. Widows' and Orphans' pensions, contributory and non-contributory.
- d. Disabled persons' (maintenance) allowances.

The scheme listed under d. above is non-contributory.

#### Italy

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. General compulsory insurance in case of invalidity, old age and death.
- b. Special compulsory insurance schemes for certain categories of employees.

These schemes are of a contributory nature.

#### Latvia

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. State social insurance;
- b. State pensions;
- c. Social assistance concerning State social provision allowances.

## Lithuania

Lithuanian laws and regulations relating to:

- a. old-age pensions;
- b. invalidity pensions;
- c. widows and orphans (survivors) pensions;
- d. social pensions.

All these schemes, except paragraph d., are contributory.

## Luxembourg

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. Pensions insurance for wage earners.
- b. Pensions insurance for salaried employees in private employment (including intellectual self-employed persons).
- c. Supplementary insurance for wage earners in mining and metal working, technicians employed in underground mines and professional drivers.
- d. Pensions insurance for artisans and for self-employed persons in commerce and industry.
- e. Pensions insurance for agricultural cultivators.

The schemes are all contributory except the provisional pensions for artisans.

#### **Netherlands**

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. Insurance in case of incapacity for work.
- b. General insurance in case of incapacity for work.
- c. General old-age insurance.
- d. Pension scheme for minors.
- e. General insurance for widows and orphans.

The schemes mentioned under a., b., d. and e. are contributory. The legislation mentioned under c. introduces a permanent contributory scheme and a transitional non-contributory scheme for persons no longer entitled to normal benefit by reason of their advanced age at the time when this legislation came into force.

## **Norway**

Laws and regulations relating to:

- Old-age, invalidity and survivors pensions under the National Insurnce Act of 17 June 1966.
- Special Supplement to benefits from the National Insurance Scheme under the Act of 19 June 1969.
- Compensation Supplement to benefits from the National Insurance Scheme under the Act of 19 December 1969.
- d. Pension insurance for seamen under the Act of 3 December 1948.
- e. Pension insurance for forestry workers under the Act of 3 December 1951.
- f. Pension insurance for fishermen under the Act of 28 June 1957.

The schemes listed under a. are non-contributory as far as the basic pension is concerned and contributory as far as the supplementary pension is concerned. The schemes listed under b. and c. are non-contributory while the schemes listed under d., e. and f. are contributory.

# **Portugal**

Laws and regulations on:

- a. benefits in respect of invalidity and old age;
- b. benefits in respect of death (survivors);
- c. special schemes for specific ranks of workers, insofar as they relate to the benefits mentioned in the sub-paragraphs here-above.

All these schemes are contributory.

## **Spain**

Laws and regulations relating to:

- a. Old-age benefits (pension).
- b. Invalidity benefits.
- c. Survivors' benefits from the general scheme and the special schemes of Social Security.

These schemes are of a contributory nature.

#### Sweden

Laws and regulations relating to:

National Basic Pensions under the National Insurance Act of 25 May 1962 (No. 381) which came into force on 1 January 1963.

This scheme is non-contributory.

## **Turkey**

- a. The Social Insurance legislation in force applying to employed persons, excluding agricultural workers other than those employed in forestry works and those employed on wages in the public or private agricultural works and those employed in such works which are related to agricultural crafts or carried out at agricultural work places without being considered as agricultural works and those employed in parks, gardens or plant nurseries or in similar works at such work places which are not considered as agricultural work places:
  - i. Invalidity insurance
  - ii. Old-age insurance
  - iii. Survivors' insurance.
- b. The legislation pertaining to the special regime applying to the Social Insurance Funds which have been taken into the scope of the social insurance system and which, as a minimum requirement, are charged with the application of the above legislation.
- c. The Social Insurance legislation applied to small businessmen and artisans and other selfemployed persons:
  - i. Invalidity insurance
  - ii. Old-age insurance
  - iii. Survivors' insurance.

The above schemes are contributory.

# **United Kingdom**

Laws and regulations concerning Great Britain, Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man:

- a. Establishing insurance schemes in respect of sickness, widowhood, orphanhood and old age.
- b. Relating to supplementary pensions and non-contributory invalidity pensions.

The schemes mentioned under a. are contributory. The schemes mentioned under b. are non-contributory.