

AMENDMENT FORM

Suggestion for amendment of Article : IV-6

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Article IV-6: Procedure for revising the Treaty establishing the Constitution

1. The government of any Member State, the European Parliament or the Commission may submit to the Council proposals for the amendment of Treaty establishing the Constitution. The national Parliaments of the Member States shall be notified of these proposals.

2. If the European Council, after consulting the European Parliament and the Commission, adopts by a simple majority a decision in favour of examining the proposed amendments, the President of the European Council shall convene a Convention composed of representatives of the national Parliaments of the Member States, of the Heads of State or Government of the Member States, of the European Parliament and of the Commission. The European Central Bank shall also be consulted in the case of institutional changes in the monetary area. The European Council may decide by a simple majority not to convene the Convention should the scope of the amendments not warrant this. In the latter case, the European Council shall define the terms of reference for the conference of representatives of the governments of the Member States.

The Convention shall examine the proposals for amendments and shall adopt by consensus a recommendation to the conference of representatives of the governments of the Member States provided for in paragraph 3.

3. The conference of representatives of the governments of the Member States shall be convened by the President of the Council for the purpose of determining by common accord the amendments to be made to the Treaty establishing the Constitution.

In cases where neither the Charter of Fundamental Rights nor the competences of the Union and the Member States are affected, the conference shall decide by a five-sixths majority of the Member States.

4. The amendments shall enter into force after being ratified by all the Member States in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements.

In cases where neither the Charter of Fundamental Rights nor the competences of the Union and the Member States are affected, the European Council shall decide the modalities of bringing the amendments into force. The European Council shall act by a five-sixths majority of the Member States, after having received the opinion of the Court of Justice, and after having received the assent of the European Parliament acting by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast representing a majority of its Members.

Explanation (if any) :