

**INTEGRATED POLLUTION CONTROL, COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT
OF EU ENVIRONMENTAL LEGISLATION TO INDUSTRIES (IPPC AND NON
IPPC) OF THE FOOD PRODUCTION/PROCESSING SECTOR**

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ABSTRACT

This paper presents the results of a comparative study on the integrated pollution control, compliance and enforcement of EU Environmental legislation to selected sub-sectors of the food industry in the European Union and in the Accession Countries (AC), which has been undertaken by the National Observatory of Athens on behalf of and in close cooperation with the Hellenic Ministry for the Environment, Physical Planning and Public Works (MEPPPW, Division of Industries, Directory for Air and Noise Pollution Control). The three food sub-sectors addressed by the study are meat processing, milk, and breweries. The work includes the identification of key issues with respect to production process/parameters, and of recommended good practices for pollution prevention and control. The information was collected, using a Questionnaire and during a Workshop that included discussions in working groups, from the competent environmental authorities of 12 EU Member States (MS) and 9 candidate countries (AC) in the framework of their participation in the EU IMPEL Network (European Network for the Implementation and Enforcement of Environmental Law) and the AC-IMPEL Network, respectively.