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## **The Rules of the Euratom Supply Agency have been published.**

**The Rules lay down the manner in which ESA - responsible for a regular and equitable supply of nuclear materials for all users within the Community - is to balance demand against supply of ores, source materials and special fissile materials.**

The Rules are published in OJ L 218 of 18.6.2021<sup>1</sup> (p. 58), together with:

- Decision of the Supply Agency of the European Atomic Energy Community (p. 56),
- Commission decision (EU) 2021/986 approving the Decision of the Supply Agency (p. 1).

The Rules enter into force on 1st July 2021. They will provide more process transparency and clarity for the Member States, operators and suppliers.

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<sup>1</sup> EUR-Lex - 32021Q0618(02) - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu)

## **Background**

The Rules were adopted by the Euratom Supply Agency on 15 January 2021 and needed the Commission's approval to enter into force.

Support from the Member States and industry alike was confirmed at the Agency's Advisory Committee.

Since the Rules were last revised in 1975, the nuclear fuel market has evolved, becoming increasingly complex, especially as new market players (such as intermediaries) and new trade practices (book transfers, electronic trading or bundled contracts) have emerged.

The Rules will provide more process transparency and clarity for the Member States, operators and suppliers and contribute to better administrative practices and increase the efficiency of the Agency's work. They will also enable the Agency to collect appropriate data for the nuclear fuel market observatory.

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