Position Paper

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eIDAS Implementing Act: Trusted Lists

Summary

Bitkom highlights the necessity of extending the deadline for the application of the Implementing Act on Trusted Lists under eIDAS Regulation (EU) No. 2024/1183 from 6 to 12 months. This extension is essential to allow both Trust Service Providers and Supervisory Bodies adequate time to adapt, ensuring alignment with the updated framework without disrupting existing infrastructures or undermining trust among public authorities and private sector users.

Specific comments on the implementing regulation

Nr.	Article	Action	Justification/Recommendation
1	Article 2	Amend	A transitional period of 12 months instead of 6 is necessary to allow for the adaptation of both Trust Service Providers and Supervisory Bodies. This time is essential to ensure alignment with the revised framework without disrupting existing infrastructures or undermining trust in the services currently used by public authorities and private actors alike.

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