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**Opinion
of the Foreign and European Union Affairs Committee
of the Senate of the Republic of Poland
on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the
conditions of entry and residence of third-country nationals for the purposes
of highly skilled employment
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adopted at the meeting on 20 September 2016

1. The Foreign and European Union Affairs Committee of the Senate of the Republic of Poland (FEUAC) agrees with the necessity to increase the attractiveness of the European Union as a place of work for highly skilled professionals and endorses the need to amend the Council Directive 2009/50/EC on the conditions of entry and residence of third-country nationals for the purposes of highly qualified employment currently in force.
2. However, FEUAC has doubts about replacement of the existing measures with one EU-wide Blue Card. In FEUAC's opinion, such a solution is contrary to the principle of proportionality and an introduction of the EU-wide Blue Card in parallel to national permits issued on the basis of harmonised rules would be sufficient.