



Basic information	
<p><b>1998/0095(CNS)</b></p> <p>CNS - Consultation procedure Decision</p>	Procedure completed
<p>EC/United States agreement for scientific and technological cooperation</p> <p>See also <a href="#">2003/0223(CNS)</a> See also <a href="#">2008/0184(CNS)</a> See also <a href="#">2013/0351(NLE)</a> See also <a href="#">2018/0067(NLE)</a></p> <p><b>Subject</b></p> <p>3.50.20 Scientific and technological cooperation and agreements</p> <p><b>Geographical area</b></p> <p>United States</p>	

Key players				
European Parliament	<b>Committee responsible</b>		<b>Rapporteur</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<b>ENER</b>	Research, Technological Development and Energy	LINKOHR Rolf (PSE)	28/04/1998
	<b>Committee for opinion</b>		<b>Rapporteur for opinion</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
	<b>BUDG</b>	Budgets	PIMENTA Carlos (PPE)	21/04/1998
	<b>RELA</b>	External Economic Relations	PLOOIJ-VAN GORSEL Eily (ELDR)	23/04/1998
	Council of the European Union	<b>Council configuration</b>		<b>Meetings</b>
Research		2123	1998-10-13	

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
10/03/1998	Legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0137 	<a href="#">Summary</a>
02/09/1998	Vote in committee		
02/09/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A4-0350/1998</a>	
18/09/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
07/10/1998	Decision by Parliament	T4-0553/1998	<a href="#">Summary</a>
13/10/1998	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
13/10/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		

22/10/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		
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Technical information	
Procedure reference	1998/0095(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Nature of procedure	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
	See also <a href="#">2003/0223(CNS)</a> See also <a href="#">2008/0184(CNS)</a> See also <a href="#">2013/0351(NLE)</a> See also <a href="#">2018/0067(NLE)</a>
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 228-p2/3-a1 EC before Amsterdam E 130M
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ENER/4/10441

Documentation gateway				
<b>European Parliament</b>				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A4-0350/1998</a> <a href="#">OJ C 328 26.10.1998, p. 0005</a>	02/09/1998	
<b>European Commission</b>				
Document type	Reference	Date	Summary	
Legislative proposal	 <a href="#">COM(1998)0137</a> <a href="#">OJ C 162 28.05.1998, p. 0010</a>	10/03/1998	<a href="#">Summary</a>	

Additional information		
Source	Document	Date
European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>	

Final act
<a href="#">Decision 1998/0591</a> <a href="#">OJ L 284 22.10.1998, p. 0035</a>
<a href="#">Summary</a>

## EC/United States agreement for scientific and technological cooperation

**PURPOSE** : Promotion of scientific and technological co-operation between the European Community and the United States. **COMMUNITY MEASURE** : Council Decision 98/591/EC concerning the conclusion of the Agreement for scientific and technological co-operation between the European Community and the Government of the United States of America. **CONTENT** : The Agreement is designed to permit the Community and the US to take advantage, on the basis of the principle of reciprocity, of scientific and technical progress arising from joint research programmes. It is envisaged for 5 years and may eventually be extended depending on the evaluation of the parties concerned and the signing of a written agreement for an extension. The sectors concerned by the joint research projects are the following : - environment (including climate change); - biomedicine and health (including AIDS, infectious diseases and drug abuse); - agriculture; - fisheries research; - industrial research; - non-nuclear energy; - natural resources; - metrology; - information and communication technologies; - telematics; - biotechnology; - marine sciences and technology; - social sciences; - transportation; - science and technology policy, management, training and mobility of scientists. If required, the list of research areas could be extended, in the context of an appropriate procedure provided for within the Joint Consultative Group. The Agreement determines the forms of joint research activities: - co-ordinated research and joint research projects; - joint task forces; - joint studies; - joint organisation of scientific seminars, conferences, symposia and workshops; - training of scientists and technical experts; - exchange or sharing of equipment and materials; - visits and exchanges of scientists, engineers or other appropriate personnel; - exchanges of scientific and technological information, as well as on practices, laws, regulations and programmes relevant to co-operation under the Agreement. Provisions are made for dissemination and the utilisation of information arising from the joint research projects (in particular, in the Annex to the Agreement, with respect to intellectual property and proprietary information.) The beneficiaries are the scientific community, the industrial sector and the general public, thanks to the direct and indirect effects of the co-operation. Participants from third countries can take part in the research activities. A Joint Consultative Group shall be established in the framework of the Agreement and will be composed of official representatives of each Party. The Agreement is financed, from the Community side, from the Eu budget for the RTD Framework Programme. **ENTRY INTO FORCE**: the Agreement enters into force once the parties inform each other that their respective internal procedures have been completed.

## **EC/United States agreement for scientific and technological cooperation**

1998/0095(CNS) - 10/03/1998 - Legislative proposal

**OBJECTIVE**: to promote scientific and technological cooperation between the European Community and the United States within the framework of joint research projects. **SUBSTANCE**: the agreement signed on 5 December 1997 in Washington is intended to enable the European Community and the United States of America to benefit, on a mutual basis from the scientific and technological progress made under joint research programmes. It has an initial term of five years and can be extended, subject to assessment by the parties and the conclusion of a written agreement of extension. The sectors concerned by the joint research projects are: - environment (including climate research), - biomedicine and health (including research on AIDS, infectious diseases and drug abuse), - agriculture, - fisheries science, - engineering research, - non-nuclear energy, - natural resources, - metrology, - information and communication technology, - telematics, - biotechnology, - marine sciences and technology, - social sciences, - transportation, - science and technology policy, management, training and mobility of scientists. If necessary the list of research areas may be extended, within the framework of an appropriate procedure provided for within the joint consultative group. The agreement sets out the forms of the cooperative activities: joint research projects, joint studies, seminars, conferences or workshops, exchanges or sharing of equipment and materials, exchanges of scientists as part of mobility programmes, exchange of information, training, etc. There are provisions on the dissemination and utilization of information resulting from joint research projects (in particular in the Annex to the agreement with regard to intellectual property and proprietary information). The beneficiaries are the scientific community, the industrial sector and the general public, through the direct and indirect effects of cooperation. Participants from third countries may take part in research activities. A joint committee is set up in the framework of the agreement and is made up of the official representatives of the parties. The agreement is financed, as far as the Community is concerned from the Community's RTD Framework Programme budget (the financial statement attached to the proposal provides for an amount of ECU 120 000 per year).

## **EC/United States agreement for scientific and technological cooperation**

1998/0095(CNS) - 07/10/1998 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

In adopting without debate the report by Mr Rolf LINKOHR (PSE, D), the European Parliament approved the conclusion of the scientific and technological cooperation agreement with the USA.