Procedure file

Basic information

CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	1998/0080(CNS)	Procedure completed
Small and medium-sized enterprises SMEs: participation of Estonia in the Community programme Subject 3.45.02 Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME), craft industries 6.40.02.02 Relations with northern Europe and the Baltic States Geographical area Estonia		

Key players

European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy	PPE RÜBIG Paul	16/04/1998
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Consumers	2128	03/11/1998

Key events

04/03/1998	Legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0113	Summary
03/04/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
03/09/1998	Vote in committee		Summary
03/09/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0309/1998	
16/09/1998	Debate in Parliament		
17/09/1998	Decision by Parliament	T4-0503/1998	Summary
03/11/1998	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
03/11/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
17/11/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

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Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
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Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 130-p3; EC before Amsterdam E 228-p3-a1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(1998)0113	04/03/1998	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0309/1998 OJ C 313 12.10.1998, p. 0009	03/09/1998	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0503/1998 OJ C 313 12.10.1998, p. 0125-0161	17/09/1998	EP	Summary

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex

Final act

Decision 1998/1117
OJ L 307 17.11.1998, p. 0015-0018 Summary

Small and medium-sized enterprises SMEs: participation of Estonia in the Community programme

OBJECTIVE: as an element in the pre-accession strategy, to open up the third Community programme for SMEs to Estonia for the years 1998, 1999 and 2000. SUBSTANCE: the proposal for a decision by the EC-Estonia Association Council lays down the conditions and procedures for Estonia's participation in the Multiannual Community Programme for SMEs. In particular, Estonia: -will participate, unless otherwise provided in the proposal, in all actions of the Programme under the same conditions as the Member States; -in order to ensure the Community dimension of the Programme, will include in all transnational projects and activities which it proposes a minimum number of partners from the Member States; -will pay a contribution to the budget of the Community to cover the costs arising from its participation in the programme. The contribution is to cover the financial aid provided to Estonian entities under the programme and additional administrative costs imputable to the management of the programme by the Commission (approx. 7%). It amounts to ECU 368 294 per annum in 1998, 1999 and 2000. To some extent, the Community will be able to participate in the payment of these contributions by deducting the necessary amounts from the annual allocation to Phare/Estonia (subject to the usual programming procedures, Phare would contribute ECU 56 000 per annum, the remainder being met from Estonia's national budget). Estonia will facilitate the free movement and residence of all private persons receiving funding under the programme and moving between Estonia and the Member States. It will be involved in the monitoring of its participation in the programme in order to prepare for the Community decision-making process with a view to accession (particularly by attending coordination meetings before meetings of the management committee and by being informed of the latter's decisions). Estonia's participation is valid for the duration of the programme (i.e. until 31.12.2000).?

Small and medium-sized enterprises SMEs: participation of Estonia in the Community programme

Adopting the report by Mr Paul RÜBIG (PPE, A), the European Parliament approved the participation of Estonia in the Community programme in the field of small and medium-sized enterprises. It adopted a number of amendments seeking to improve the financial management and administration of the programme. It also asked for an annual report on the success of this country's participation in the SME programme.?