

# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	2000/0339(CNS)	Procedure completed
Judicial cooperation: exchange programme for legal practitioners, Grotius II general and criminal		
Subject 7.40 Judicial cooperation		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>LIBE</b> Citizens' Freedoms and Rights, Justice and Home Affairs		16/01/2001
		PSE <a href="#">KESSLER Margot</a>	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	<b>BUDG</b> Budgets		20/12/2000
	PPE-DE <a href="#">WENZEL-PERILLO Brigitte</a>		
	<b>JURI</b> Legal Affairs and Internal Market		06/02/2001
		PPE-DE <a href="#">WUERMELING Joachim</a>	
	<b>FEMM</b> Women's Rights and Equal Opportunities		23/01/2001
		V/ALE <a href="#">SÖRENSEN Patsy</a>	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">Transport, Telecommunications and Energy</a>	<a href="#">2364</a>	28/06/2001
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	<a href="#">Justice and Consumers</a>		

Key events			
14/12/2000	Legislative proposal published	COM(2000)0828	Summary
15/01/2001	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
20/03/2001	Vote in committee		Summary
20/03/2001	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A5-0094/2001</a>	
04/04/2001	Debate in Parliament		
05/04/2001	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T5-0194/2001</a>	Summary

28/06/2001	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
28/06/2001	End of procedure in Parliament		
07/07/2001	Final act published in Official Journal		

#### Technical information

Procedure reference	2000/0339(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	Treaty on the European Union (after Amsterdam) M 034-p2
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

#### Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(2000)0828	14/12/2000	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">A5-0094/2001</a>	20/03/2001	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		<a href="#">T5-0194/2001</a> OJ C 021 24.01.2002, p. 0257-0326 E	05/04/2001	EP	Summary
Follow-up document		<a href="#">SEC(2003)0316</a>	14/03/2003	EC	
Follow-up document		<a href="#">SEC(2006)0333</a>	07/03/2006	EC	Summary

#### Additional information

European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>
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#### Final act

<a href="#">Decision 2001/512</a> <a href="#">OJ L 186 07.07.2001, p. 0001</a> Summary
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## Judicial cooperation: exchange programme for legal practitioners, Grotius II general and criminal

**PURPOSE:** to present a Commission proposal for a Council decision establishing a second phase of the programme of incentives and exchanges, training and cooperation for legal practitioners (Grotius II - General and Criminal). **CONTENT:** On 31.12.2000, the multiannual financing programme, adopted through Joint Action on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union will expire. Against this background, Grotius II is expected to pursue the specific objectives of cooperation between legal practitioners, increasing the knowledge of the different legal and judicial systems and facilitating judicial cooperation between the Member States. The specific objectives of the programme are the following: - preparation of projects in the field of criminal judicial cooperation; - help in implementing the instruments adopted; - support for better mutual understanding on general topics of shared interest for the Member States; - local ad hoc projects with the aim of improving cooperation on the ground; - setting up networks between certain organisations and professions. Grotius II is renewed for the period 01.01.2001 to 31.12.2002 and may be extended beyond that date. The main provisions in the proposed Council decision relate to access to the programme, activities, implementation, management and its evaluation. With regard to the financing of the programme, the annual appropriations shall be authorised by the budgetary authority within the limits of the financial perspective. The proportion of financial support from the Community budget shall not exceed 70% of the cost of the project. In certain cases however, measures can be financed to 100%, up to a ceiling of 10% of the total financial package allocated annually to the programme for each of the two categories. The financial reference amount for the implementation of the programme for the period 2001 to 2002 shall be EUR 4 million. Furthermore, the Commission shall undertake each year an evaluation of the actions carried out in implementing the programme for the previous year. In conclusion, each year the Commission shall report to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of the programme. The first report shall be presented before 31.07.2002.?

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The European Parliament voted to endorse the report by Mrs Margot KESSLER (PES, D) concerning a Commission proposal to establish a second phase for the crime prevention training programme Grotius. However, the Parliament is calling for the incorporation of this programme into a single framework programme which will also include the Oisin and Stop programmes instead of waiting another two years as proposed by the Commission. (Please refer to the previous document).?

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**PURPOSE :** to establish a second phase of the programme of incentives and exchanges, training and cooperation for legal practitioners.  
**COMMUNITY MEASURE :** Council Decision 2001/512/JHA establishing a second phase of the programme of incentives and exchanges, training and cooperation for legal practitioners (Grotius II Criminal). **CONTENT :** this Decision establishes, for general and criminal matters, the second phase of the Grotius cooperation programme. The programme is hereby renewed for the period from 1 January 2001 to 31 December 2002. The programme shall contribute to the general objective of providing citizens with a high level of protection in an area of freedom, security and justice. Within this framework, it is intended to stimulate mutual knowledge of legal and judicial systems and to facilitate general judicial and criminal cooperation between the Member States. The specific objectives of the programme are: - a preparation of projects in the field of criminal judicial cooperation; - help implementing the instrument adopted; - support for better mutual understanding on general topics of shared interest for the Member States; - local ad hoc projects with the aim of improving cooperation on the ground; - setting up networks between certain organisations and professions. The applicant countries may participate in projects in order to familiarise themselves with the Union acquis in this area and help them prepare for accession. With regard to the financing of the programme, the financial reference amount for the implementation of this programme for the period 2001 to 2002 shall be EUR 4 million. As regards to the implementation of the programme, the Commission shall be responsible for the management and implementation of the programme, in cooperation with the Member States. Lastly, the Commission shall undertake each year an evaluation of the actions carried out in implementing the programme for the previous year. The Commission shall report each year to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of the programme. The first report shall be presented before 31 July 2002. **ENTRY INTO FORCE :** the Decision shall take effect from 07/07/2001. It shall apply until 31 December 2002.?