

Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	2000/0364(CNS)	Procedure completed
Expiry of the ECSC treaty: research programme of the coal and steel research fund, technical guidelines		
Repealed by 2007/0135(CNS)		
Subject 8.30 Treaties in general		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	ITRE Industry, External Trade, Research, Energy		11/04/2001
		PSE LINKOHR Rolf	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets		05/10/2000
		UEN TURCHI Franz	
Council of the European Union	CONT Budgetary Control	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	

Key events			
06/09/2000	Initial legislative proposal published	COM(2000)0521	Summary
07/03/2001	Legislative proposal published	COM(2001)0121	Summary
02/05/2001	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
12/09/2001	Vote in committee		Summary
12/09/2001	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0297/2001	
01/10/2001	Debate in Parliament		
02/10/2001	Decision by Parliament	T5-0487/2001	Summary
01/02/2003	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
01/02/2003	End of procedure in Parliament		
05/02/2003	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2000/0364(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
	Repealed by 2007/0135(CNS)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 000
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ITRE/5/14538

Documentation gateway					
Initial legislative proposal		COM(2000)0521 OJ C 029 30.01.2001, p. 0254 E	06/09/2000	EC	Summary
Legislative proposal		COM(2001)0121	07/03/2001	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0297/2001	12/09/2001	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T5-0487/2001 OJ C 087 11.04.2002, p. 0019-0051 E	02/10/2001	EP	Summary

Additional information	
European Commission	EUR-Lex

Final act
Decision 2003/78 OJ L 029 05.02.2003, p. 0028-0039 Summary

Expiry of the ECSC treaty: research programme of the coal and steel research fund, technical guidelines

PURPOSE : to lay down the multiannual technical guidelines for the research programme of the Coal and Steel Research Fund. **CONTENT** : according to Article 97 of the Treaty establishing the Coal and Steel Community (ECSC), the ECSC Treaty expires on 23 July 2002. In consideration of the benefits obtained by the coal and steel industry from the ECSC research and technological development (RTD) programme, the European Council agreed in its Resolution on growth and employment, adopted in Amsterdam on 16 and 17 June 1997, that the revenues from the reserves outstanding upon expiration of the ECSC Treaty should be used for a research fund for sectors related to the coal and steel industries. The Commission adopted on 8 October 1997 a Communication to Council proposing that the assets of the "ECSC in liquidation" be transferred to remaining Communities and that all net revenues from the management of these assets be used to finance research of the type covered by the ECSC's present coal and steel programmes. By resolutions adopted on 20 July 1998 and 21 June 1999, the Council and the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States meeting within the Council, supported the overall approach proposed by the Commission and invited it to put forward, in good time, appropriate and more detailed proposals. This proposal for a Council Decision is intended to respond to this invitation and to meet the requirement for the multiannual technical guidelines to set out the rules for the future coal and steel RTD programme. These technical guidelines deal with: - scope and main principles of the programme, also specifying the applicable definition of "coal" and "steel"; - allowable participation and types of projects (research, pilot and demonstration projects and ancillary actions); - management of the programme and the periodic assessments; - implementation of the programme, such as calls for proposals, fair and equitable evaluation, selection, industry consultation; - the scientific-technical and socio-economic priorities for the period 2002-2007.?

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The changes made to the previous proposal introduce the change of legal basis to the second and third citations and to the first recital. The Annex remains unchanged apart from the introduction, which has been slightly altered.?

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The committee adopted the report by Rolf LINKOHR (PSE, D) amending the proposal under the consultation procedure. It insisted that Parliament should have a say in the financial management of the Fund, given that Parliament was required to grant the Fund its budgetary discharge. The committee accordingly called for the proposal to be brought under the codecision procedure, so that Parliament would decide on the multiannual guidelines on equal terms with the Council. It also wanted the Fund's revenues to be fully integrated into the EU budget by creating a specific line on both the revenue and expenditure sides of the budget. Other points raised in the report included a call for the proposal to contain a special 'opening up' clause to enable the Fund to be augmented by public and private funds at a later stage and research to be carried out in other fields in addition to coal and steel. The Commission should set up an expert group, with the participation of Parliament, to draw up proposals for a European research foundation. Lastly, the committee wanted the Fund to give priority to the development of cleaner technologies and the reduction of pollutant emissions.?

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The European Parliament adopted the resolution by Mr Rolf LINKOHR (PES, D) on the technical guidelines for the research programme of Coal and Steel Research Fund. The European Parliament believes it should be on an equal footing with the Council and that codecision should be used. The Parliament also calls on the Commission to draw up a proposal by 24 July 2004 to enable the Coal and Steel Research Fund to be augmented by public and private funds and research to be carried out in additional areas. It is proposed that the Commission set up an expert group, with the participation of the European Parliament, to draw up proposals for a European research foundation.?

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PURPOSE : to establish the technical guidelines for the research fund for Coal and Steel. **COMMUNITY MEASURE :** Council Decision 2003/78/EC laying down the multiannual technical guidelines for the research programme of the Research Fund for Coal and Steel. **CONTENT :** the revenue from investments of the net worth of the assets of the ECSC in liquidation and, on completion of the liquidation, the Assets of the Research Fund for Coal and Steel, are being assigned to the Research Fund for Coal and Steel, which is intended exclusively to fund research projects outside the Research Framework Programme in the sectors related to the coal and steel industry. The Research Fund for Coal and Steel will be managed by the Commission on the basis of multiannual technical guidelines. These guidelines are set out in the Annex to this Decision. They will be reviewed every five years, with the first period ending on 31/12/07. A management committee composed of representatives of Member States as well as advisory and technical groups representing a wide range of interests of industries and other stakeholders will assist the Commission. **DATE OF APPLICATION :** 24/07/02. **ENTRY INTO FORCE :** 06/02/03.?