

Procedure file

Basic information	
COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Decision	Procedure completed
Interoperability of and access to trans-European networks for the electronic interchange of data between administrations (IDA)	
Amending Decision No 1720/1999/EC 1997/0341(COD)	
Subject 2.80 Cooperation between administrations 3.30.20 Trans-European communications networks	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	ITRE Industry, External Trade, Research, Energy		10/10/2001
		PSE READ Imelda Mary	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	AFET Foreign Affairs, Human Rights, Common Security, Defense	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	BUDG Budgets		01/10/2001
		UEN TURCHI Franz	
	LIBE Citizens' Freedoms and Rights, Justice and Home Affairs	PPE-DE CEDERSCHIÖLD Charlotte	10/10/2001
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2448	23/09/2002
	Transport, Telecommunications and Energy	2438	17/06/2002
	Transport, Telecommunications and Energy	2420	25/03/2002
	Transport, Telecommunications and Energy	2374	15/10/2001
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs		

Key events			
14/09/2001	Legislative proposal published	COM(2001)0507	Summary
19/09/2001	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
15/10/2001	Debate in Council	2374	

25/03/2002	Debate in Council	2420	Summary
22/05/2002	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary
22/05/2002	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A5-0174/2002	
11/06/2002	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T5-0282/2002	Summary
23/09/2002	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		
21/10/2002	Final act signed		
21/10/2002	End of procedure in Parliament		
20/11/2002	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

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	Amending Decision No 1720/1999/EC 1997/0341(COD)
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(2001)0507	14/09/2001	EC	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES0025/2002 OJ C 080 03.04.2002, p. 0021	16/01/2002	ESC	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0174/2002	22/05/2002	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T5-0282/2002 OJ C 261 30.10.2003, p. 0026-0078 E	11/06/2002	EP	Summary

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

Decision 2002/2045 OJ L 316 20.11.2002, p. 0001-0003 Summary

Interoperability of and access to trans-European networks for the electronic interchange of data between administrations (IDA)

PURPOSE : to present a proposal for a decision amending Decision 1720/1999/EC adopting a series of actions and measures in order to ensure interoperability of and access to trans-European networks for the electronic interchange of data between administrations (IDA).

CONTENT : the second phase of the IDA Programme (IDA II) was adopted by the European Parliament and the Council in their decisions 1719/1999/EC (Guidelines decision) and 1720/1999/EC (interoperability decision) of July 12 1999. Article 9 and 13 respectively of the two

decisions require the Commission to submit a first evaluation of the IDA II Programme to the European Parliament and the Council no later than the draft budget for the year 2001, together with appropriate proposal for the amendment of the Annex of the Guidelines decisions and any appropriate proposal for the amendment of the interoperability decision. The objective of Decision 1720/1999/EC is for the Community to achieve a high degree of interoperability between the trans-European telematic networks established between Member States and the Community institutions in order to support the establishment of economic and monetary union and the implementation of Community policies, as well as to achieve substantial benefits for Member State administrations and the Community by streamlining operations and speeding up implementation of new networks and enhancements. More specifically, the objective of the present proposal is to fulfil the requirement laid down in Article 13 of Decision 1720/1999/EC to submit a first evaluation of the implementation of that decision to the European Parliament and the Council, together with any appropriate proposal for the amendment of that decision. It has to be noted, however, that the Protocol to amend decision 1720/1999/EC is not only based on the evaluation results, but also takes into account the first one-and-a-half year of experience in implementing the decision and the context provided by the e-Europe initiative and related action plan. Three types of amendments can be distinguished for the proposal to amend decision 1720/1999/EC: 1) changes in legal and political obligations and concerns an adaptation of the committee procedure in accordance with Council Decision 1999/468/EC and extension of the IDA II programme to Malta and Turkey, as well as providing the possibility for candidate and non-member countries to use, at their own costs and under certain conditions, IDA generic services; 2) improvements in the practical conditions, the introduction of a financial reference for the period 2002-2004 (the financial has only been set for the period 1998-2000 in the current decision) and to spread best practice; 3) requirements resulting from the new initiatives, notably the e-Europe action plan.?

Interoperability of and access to trans-European networks for the electronic interchange of data between administrations (IDA)

The Council agreed on a general approach, pending the Opinion of the European Parliament, on the updating of the second phase of the programme, under way since 1999, to promote the establishment and use of trans-European networks for the electronic interchange of data between administrations (IDA). The Council instructed the Presidency to forward this approach informally to the Parliament with a view to reaching an agreement at the first reading if possible. The Council's approach concerns two proposals designed to amend: - Decision 1719/1999/EC on a series of guidelines, including the identification of projects of common interest, for IDA networks; - Decision 1720/1999/EC adopting a series of actions and measures in order to ensure interoperability of and access to IDA networks. The aim of the programme is to facilitate the interchange of data in order, inter alia, to support the implementation of Community policies. The amendments concern: - adapting the committee procedure to the new rules on the subject (introduced by Decision 1999/468/EC); - extending the programme to certain non-Community countries; - introducing a financial reference for the period 2002-2004, namely EUR 39,8 million for the "guidelines" Decision and EUR 34,2 million for the "interoperability" Decision; - taking account of new initiatives such as the eEurope Action Plan.?

Interoperability of and access to trans-European networks for the electronic interchange of data between administrations (IDA)

The committee adopted the report by Imelda Mary READ (PES, UK) approving the proposal under the codecision procedure (1st reading), subject to a few amendments. It wanted to extend the scope of the proposal to services oriented towards the public and not just for internal administrative purposes, arguing that this was important for the development of e-government and was amongst the priorities defined at the Barcelona European Council. One amendment proposed adding telematics networks in the area of tourism, environment, consumer protection and public health protection to the Annex of the guidelines. With a view to improving information and speeding up decision-making, the report also called for the IDA work programme to be drawn up by the Commission each year to include a breakdown of past expenditure by project for the previous year(s), an estimate of the future costs to be funded by the Community and the Member States and a short statement on the results/services developed from these past expenditures. Lastly, the committee reinstated the text of the current article requiring the Commission to report annually to the TAC (Telematics between Administrations Committee, composed of representatives of the Member States) on the implementation of the Decision. ?

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Using its procedure without debate, the European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Mel READ (PES, UK). (Please refer to the document dated 22/05/02.) Parliament drew attention to the recommendations contained in the Declaration issued at the Ministerial Conference on e-Government on 29 November 2001 in Brussels as well as the conference on e-Government in Stockholm on 14 June 2001.?

Interoperability of and access to trans-European networks for the electronic interchange of data between administrations (IDA)

PURPOSE : to amend Decision 1720/1999/EC adopting a series of actions and measures in order to ensure interoperability of and access to trans-European networks for the electronic interchange of data between administrations. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Decision 2045/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council. CONTENT : to recall, the second phase of the IDA Programme (IDA II) was adopted by the European Parliament and the Council in their decisions 1719/1999/EC (Guidelines decision) and 1720/1999/EC (interoperability decision) of July 12 1999. Article 9 and 13 respectively of the two decisions require the Commission to submit a first evaluation of the IDA II Programme to the European Parliament and the Council no later than the draft budget for the year 2001, together with appropriate proposal for the amendment of the Annex of the Guidelines decisions and any appropriate proposal for the amendment of the interoperability decision. The objective of Decision 1720/1999/EC is for the Community to achieve a high degree of interoperability between the trans-European telematic networks established between Member States and the Community institutions in order to support the establishment of economic and monetary

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ENTRY INTO FORCE : 20 November 2002.?