

Procedure file

Basic information	
COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Decision	2002/0101(COD) Procedure completed
Community action programme in the field of education "Socrates", second phase: application of cofinancing requirement Amending Decision No 253/2000/EC	1998/0195(COD)
Subject 4.40.03 Primary and secondary school, European Schools, early childhood 4.40.04 Universities, higher education 4.40.08 Language learning, regional and local languages	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	CULT Culture, Youth, Education, Media and Sport	PSE ROCARD Michel	23/05/2002
Council of the European Union	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	CONT Budgetary Control	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
European Commission	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)	2462	14/11/2002
	Education, Youth, Culture and Sport	2430	30/05/2002
	Commission DG Education, Youth, Sport and Culture	Commissioner	

Key events			
29/04/2002	Legislative proposal published	COM(2002)0193	Summary
13/05/2002	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
30/05/2002	Debate in Council	2430	
10/07/2002	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary
10/07/2002	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A5-0268/2002	
03/09/2002	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T5-0382/2002	Summary
14/11/2002	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		

27/02/2003	Final act signed		
27/02/2003	End of procedure in Parliament		
13/03/2003	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2002/0101(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
	Amending Decision No 253/2000/EC 1998/0195(COD)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 149
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(2002)0193 , OJ C 203 27.08.2002, p. 0133 E	29/04/2002	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0268/2002	10/07/2002	EP	
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES0854/2002 OJ C 241 07.10.2002, p. 0097	17/07/2002	ESC	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T5-0382/2002 OJ C 272 13.11.2003, p. 0028-0102 E	03/09/2002	EP	Summary

Additional information	
European Commission	EUR-Lex

Final act
Decision 2003/451 OJ L 069 13.03.2003, p. 0006-0007 Summary

Community action programme in the field of education "Socrates", second phase: application of cofinancing requirement

PURPOSE : to amend the legislation relating to the second stage of "Socrates" in order to allow flexibility in the requirement for cofinancing.

CONTENT : Decision 253/2000/EC establishes the second phase of the "Socrates" programme and states that Community funding under the programme will not normally exceed 75%, except in the case of accompanying measures. Decision 819/95/EC establishing the Socrates programme did not stipulate a minimum level of cofinancing. Projects within the decentralised actions of the programme cannot be realised without a significant contribution in the form of staff time and infrastructure support from the partner organisations. The Community grant for these projects does not support the costs of the contributions of such staff, but may cover up to 100% of the other costs incurred in realising the project. The target group is primarily small institutions such as schools and adult education institutes, which generally have limited administrative resources. The Community has not previously needed partner organisations within the decentralised actions of the programme to provide information about the cost of the contribution of the staff they employ towards the realisation of the project. The Community grant averaged EUR 3315 in 2000. It is not consistent with the principles of simplification and proportionality to apply a new requirement on the institutions participating in projects to account for staff contributions, solely in order to demonstrate that the Community grant does not normally exceed 75% of the total cost of the project. An amendment is proposed to the effect that, in accordance with the cofinancing principle, the beneficiary's contribution may take the form of the provision of the personnel and/or infrastructure necessary for the realisation of the project.?

Community action programme in the field of education "Socrates", second phase: application of cofinancing requirement

The committee adopted the report by Michel ROCARD (PES, F) approving the proposal without amendment under the codecision procedure (1st reading).?

Community action programme in the field of education "Socrates", second phase: application of cofinancing requirement

The European Parliament passed a resolution adopting the report by Michel ROCARD (PES, France) and approved the Commission's proposal.?

Community action programme in the field of education "Socrates", second phase: application of cofinancing requirement

PURPOSE : to permit flexibility in the cofinancing requirement for the "Socrates" programme. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Decision 451/2003/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Decision 253/2000/EC establishing the second phase of the Community action programme in the field of education "Socrates". CONTENT : Community assistance for projects under the Socrates programme will not normally exceed 75 % of the total costs of the project. Decision 819/95/EC establishing the Socrates programme did not stipulate a minimum level of cofinancing. However, projects within the decentralised actions of the programme cannot be realised without a significant contribution in the form of staff time and infrastructure support from the organisations involved in the project partnership. The Community assistance granted to these projects does not cover the costs of the contributions of such staff, but may cover up to 100 % of the other costs incurred. The target group for these projects is primarily small institutions and the sums granted as Community assistance are small, averaging EUR 3 315 in 2000. This Decision ensures that these institutions do not have to account for the contribution made by their staff, solely in order to demonstrate that Community assistance does not normally exceed 75 % of the total costs of the project. An amendment is made to Decision No 253/2000/EC in order to permit appropriate flexibility in the application of the cofinancing requirement. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 02/04/03.?