


Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	2007/0096(CNS)	Procedure completed
EC/Israel Agreement: scientific and technical cooperation. Renewal of the Agreement		
Subject 3.50.20 Scientific and technological cooperation and agreements		
Geographical area Israel		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	ITRE Industry, Research and Energy		07/06/2007
		PPE-DE NIEBLER Angelika	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	AFET Foreign Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	BUDG Budgets	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)	2852	25/02/2008
	Economic and Financial Affairs ECOFIN	2813	10/07/2007
European Commission	Commission DG Research and Innovation	Commissioner POTOČNIK Janez	

Key events			
30/05/2007	Legislative proposal published	COM(2007)0276	Summary
17/07/2007	Vote in committee		Summary
03/09/2007	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
12/09/2007	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A6-0316/2007	
25/09/2007	Results of vote in Parliament		
25/09/2007	Decision by Parliament	T6-0390/2007	Summary
	Act adopted by Council after consultation		

25/02/2008	of Parliament		
25/02/2008	End of procedure in Parliament		
04/03/2008	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2007/0096(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 170; EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 300-p2-a1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ITRE/6/50056

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(2007)0276	30/05/2007	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A6-0316/2007	12/09/2007	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T6-0390/2007	25/09/2007	EP	Summary

Additional information	
National parliaments	IPEX
European Commission	EUR-Lex

Final act
Decision 2008/181 OJ L 059 04.03.2008, p. 0014 Summary

EC/Israel Agreement: scientific and technical cooperation. Renewal of the Agreement

PURPOSE: to associate Israel with the EU's 7th Framework Programme through the signature and conclusion of an Agreement on Scientific and Technical Co-operation.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision.

BACKGROUND: in 2004 the Community signed an Agreement on Scientific and Technical Co-operation with the State of Israel, the purpose of which is to associate Israel with all the specific programmes of the 6th Framework Programme. The Agreement specifies that where the Community adopts a new multiannual framework programme for research and development the Agreement can be renegotiated or renewed under mutually agreed conditions. Since October 2006, the Commission (on behalf of the Community) has been negotiating with the State of Israel the terms and conditions of the new Agreement. These negotiations were completed in February 2007.

CONTENT: the purpose of this proposal is to sign and conclude a new Agreement with Israel in order to associate the latter with the EU's 7th Framework Programme (2007-2013). The draft Agreement is based on the principles of mutual benefit, reciprocal opportunities for participation and activities in the field of activities covered by the Agreement ? i.e. non-discrimination, effective protection of intellectual property and equitable sharing of intellectual property rights. The draft Agreement is based on the same principles as those set down in its predecessor, such as Israel's contribution to the budget. At the same time, however, it has been adapted to take account of any new specific features of the 7th Framework Programme.

In other measures the Agreement provides:

- for the possible participation of Israel in the legal structures created by Articles 169 and Article 171 of the Treaty on European

Union. For them to apply, these rules will need to be made applicable in Israel.

- that the EU/Israel Research Committee (set up under Article 4 of the Agreement) will decide on the applicability of these rules in Israel.
- that the EU/Israel Research Committee will be responsible for identifying those regions in Israel that qualify for research actions under the 'Research Potential' work programme, which is set up by Capacities.
- that the Agreement will apply provisionally from 1 January 2007 so that it coincides with the application of the 7th Research Programme.
- a Joint Declaration of the contracting parties on a close dialogue vis-à-vis the new structures implementing Article 169 and 171 of the EC-Treaty.

Bearing the above in mind, the Commission proposes that the Council firstly approves, on behalf of the European Community, both Decisions on the new Agreement and that it notifies the Israeli authorities that the European Community has completed the procedures necessary for the entry into force of the Agreement.

It should be noted that the financial statement attached provides for:

- a total reference amount of EUR 1 099 million;
- a specific method of calculation to establish the amount of the financial contribution from Israel for its participation in the 7th Framework Programme (EUR 46.246 million in 2007).

EC/Israel Agreement: scientific and technical cooperation. Renewal of the Agreement

The Committee on Industry, Research and Energy adopted a report drafted by Angelika NIEBLER (EPP-ED, D) and approved the conclusion of the agreement on scientific and technical cooperation between the EC and Israel.

EC/Israel Agreement: scientific and technical cooperation. Renewal of the Agreement

The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Angelika NIEBLER (EPP-ED, D) and approved the conclusion of the Agreement on Scientific and Technical Cooperation between the EC and Israel.

EC/Israel Agreement: scientific and technical cooperation. Renewal of the Agreement

PURPOSE: to associate Israel with the EU's 7th Framework Programme through the conclusion of an Agreement on Scientific and Technical Co-operation.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision 2008/181/EC concerning the conclusion of the Agreement on Scientific and Technical Cooperation between the European Community and the State of Israel.

CONTENT: this Decision approves the Agreement on Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the EC and Israel, on behalf of the Community. It was signed on 16 July 2007 in Brussels.

The Agreement is based on the principles of mutual benefit, reciprocal opportunities for participation and activities in the field of activities covered by the Agreement ? i.e. non-discrimination, effective protection of intellectual property and equitable sharing of intellectual property rights. In other measures the Agreement provides:

- for the possible participation of Israel in the legal structures created by Articles 169 and Article 171 of the Treaty on European Union;
- that the EU/Israel Research Committee (set up under Article 4 of the Agreement) will decide on the applicability of these rules in Israel;
- that the EU/Israel Research Committee will be responsible for identifying those regions in Israel that qualify for research actions under the 'Research Potential' work programme, which is set up by Capacities;
- that the Agreement will apply provisionally from 1 January 2007 so that it coincides with the application of the 7th Research Programme;
- a Joint Declaration of the contracting parties on a close dialogue vis-à-vis the new structures implementing Article 169 and 171 of the EC-Treaty.