European Year of Creativity and Innovation 2009

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The European Parliament adopted, under 1st reading of the codecision procedure, a legislative resolution amending the proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the European Year of Creativity and Innovation (2009). The report had been tabled for consideration in plenary by Katerina **BATZELI** (PES, EL) on behalf of the Committee on Culture and Education. The amendments sought to re-word the objectives for the sake of conciseness and clarity. In addition, while the Commission highlighted the Lifelong Learning Programme, the European Parliament stressed the importance of all EU programmes that promote creativity and innovation. All particular reference to the Lifelong Learning Programme was deleted. Where appropriate, programmes and policies in other fields, such as culture, communication, enterprise, cohesion, rural development, research and the information society, may support the Year.

Cofinancing at European level of activities within the framework of the Year shall be in accordance with the priorities and rules applying, on an annual or multiannual basis, to existing programmes, particularly in the field of education and training.