Euratom Framework Programme 2012-2013: participation of undertakings, research centres and universities in indirect actions, dissemination of research results

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PURPOSE: to lay down the rules for the participation of undertakings, research centres and universities in indirect actions under the Framework Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community and for the dissemination of research results (2012-2013).

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Regulation (Euratom) No 139/2012 laying down the rules for the participation of undertakings, research centres and universities in indirect actions under the Framework Programme of the European Atomic Energy Community and for the dissemination of research results (2012-2013).

CONTENT: the Council extended, for a **two-year period**, the European Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) framework programme for the dissemination of research results. The Euratom programme, which expires at the end of 2011, has been extended in order to align it with the end of the EU's current financial cycle in 2013.

This Regulation is linked to a package containing Decisions concerning the Framework Programme, in particular two specific programmes (for direct and indirect actions).

The Regulation lays down:

- the rules for the **participation** of undertakings, research centres and universities and other legal entities in actions undertaken by one or more participants under funding schemes identified in the Annex II to Decision 2012/93/Euratom;
- the rules concerning the Community **financial contribution** to participants in indirect actions under the Framework Programme;
- the rules for the **disclosure of foreground** by any appropriate means other than those resulting from the formalities for protecting it, including the publication of foreground in any medium ('dissemination');
- the rules for the **direct or indirect use of foreground in further research activities** other than those covered by the indirect action concerned, including developing, creating and marketing a product or process, creating and providing a service ('use');
- the rules concerning **licences and user rights** thereto ('access rights').

The Regulation stipulates that subject to the conditions established in the model grant agreement, the model appointment letter or contract, the Commission and the participants shall keep confidential any data, knowledge and documents communicated to them as confidential.

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