Justice Programme 2014-2020

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The Council reached a partial general approach on two proposals for regulations establishing the financing programmes in the area of justice and fundamental rights within the framework of the Multiannual Financial Framework for the period 2014-2020. Those texts will now form the basis for the negotiations with the European Parliament with a view to reaching agreement.

In both proposals, the provisions regarding the financial envelope are excluded from the scope of the partial general approach since they will be negotiated at a horizontal level.

- The first proposal concerns the Justice programme (see Council doc. *10645/12*), a funding programme aiming to support actions with European added value in the area of judicial cooperation in civil and criminal matters and judicial training. The Council reached agreement on Article 12 (protection of financial interests of the Union) which was also negotiated at horizontal level.

- The second proposal concerns the Rights, Equality and Citizenship programme which is the successor to three existing programmes: Fundamental Rights and Citizenship, Daphne III and the "Antidiscrimination and Diversity" and "Gender Equality" sections of the Programme for Employment and Social Solidarity (PROGRESS).