School education: European cooperation in quality evaluation. Recommendation

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PURPOSE : to encourage European cooperation in quality evaluation in school education. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Recommendation 2001/166/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on European cooperation in quality evaluation in school education CONTENT : in this Recommendation the Council and the European Parliament recommend that within their specific economic, social and cultural context while taking due account of the European dimension, support the improvement of quality evaluation in school education by: - supporting and, where appropriate, establishing transparent quality evaluation systems; - encouraging ad supporting, where approriate the involvement of school stakeholders, including teachers, pupils, management, parents, experts, in the process of external and self-evaluation in schools in order to promote shared responsibility for the improvement of schools; - supporting training in the management and the use of self-evaluation instruments; - supporting the capacity of schools to learn from one another nationally and on a European scale; - encouraging cooperation between all authorities involved in quality evaluation in school education and promoting their European networking. On the hand, this Recommendation invites the Commission to establish a database for the dissemination of effective tools and instruments of school, quality evaluation; - to make use of the resources within existing Community programmes, to incorporate the experience already gained into these programmes and to develop existing networks; - to make an inventory of the instruments and strategies for quality evaluation in primary and secondary education already in use in the various Member States; - to present on the basis of contributions from the Member States triennial detailed reports to the European Parliament, the Council, the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions in relation to the implementation of ths Recommendation; - to draw up conclusions and make proposals on the basis of these reports. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 12/02/2001.