# Community action programme 1997-1998 in the fields of books and reading, ARIANE

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In its Opinion the Committee recalled that EU action in the field of culture should not be to the detriment of cultural specificities, but should instead foster contact between cultures and the full development of minority languages. It suggested that historical works be added to the types of work covered by the programme. It also proposed: - that the Aristeion prize should be divided into a number of categories according to the type of work translated (literary, dramatic, historical, reference or from a lesser-used language); - that the programme should help to improve the channels of dissemination (including computerisation and telematics); - that training requirements under the Ariane programme be made eligible for EU human resources programmes; - that the production of bilingual books should be encouraged; - that Ariane should be open to Eastern countries; - that regional and local institutions be involved in monitoring the programme.