

TEMPUS III: trans-European cooperation scheme for higher education, 3rd phase 2000-2006

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PURPOSE: to provide for the eventual participation of Croatia in TEMPUS III. **CONTENT:** By Decision 1999/311/EC of 29/04/1999, the Council adopted the third phase of the TEMPUS Programme (2000-2006). To reiterate, this programme is addressed at non-associated countries in Central and Eastern Europe eligible for Phare and at the New Independent States of the ex-USSR and Mongolia eligible for the TACIS Programme. A footnote added to Article 2 of that Decision specifies that the programme 'currently' covers Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina and the FYROM (Macedonia)). An excessively limited interpretation of this text has prevented the extension of the programme to Croatia to date. This is why the Commission proposes that this footnote should be deleted in order to enable this country to become eligible to participate in TEMPUS III.