

Development cooperation: decentralized cooperation

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In adopting the report by Luciano VECCHI (PES, F), the Committee has rejected the main points of the common position. The committee also calls for invitations to tender and the award of contracts to be open on equal terms to natural and legal persons in the Member States, the recipient country and other developing countries. In exceptional cases, this right could be extended to other third countries. It also argues that, where the quality of bids is the same, applicants from the recipient country and from developing countries in the same region should be given preferential treatment in the award of the contracts.