Education and training : grants to bodies active at European level, 2004-2006 action programme

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PURPOSE : to establish a Community action programme to support the activities of bodies in the field of education and training. CONTENT : this proposal aims to adopt an act providing a basis for grants to promote bodies active at European level and support specific activities in the field of education and training, for a period of five years (2004-2008.) The programme will support bodies and their activities which seek to extend and deepen knowledge of the building of Europe, or to contribute to the achievement of the common policy objectives in the field of education and training, both inside and outside the Community. The programme covers the following activities: - the ongoing work programme of a body operating at European or world level which pursues an aim of general European interest in the field of education and training or an objective forming part of the European Union's policy in this area; - a specific action promoting the European Union's action in this area, providing information on European integration and the objectives pursued by the Union in its international relations or supporting Community action and relaying it at national level. The programmes objectives must be implemented by means of the actions set out in the Annex. Action 1 supports particular institutions, including the College of Europe and the European University Institute in Florence. Action 2 supports associations active at European level in the field of education. Such associations must have members in at least 12 Member States. Action 3 is aimed at supporting particular activities or projects focusing on European integration (Action 3A), or supporting European Union policies in the fields of education and training outside the Community programmes in these fields (Action 3B), or promoting training in European law, notably for national judges (Action 3C). The Commission must submit a report on the achievement of the programme's objectives by 31/12/07. An external evaluation report must be available by the end of 2006. The financial framework for the implementation of the programme is EUR 129.62 million.