Vocational training policy: Community action programme 1995-1999, LEONARDO DA VINCI

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The proposal for a decision seeks to establish an action programme for the implementation of a European vocational training policy, to be entitled "Leonardo da Vinci". This programme was to be established for a period of 5 years (from 01.01.1995 to 31.12.1999) and would be allocated a total budget of over Ecu 800 million. Leonardo would seek to improve the quality of training systems and arrangements and promote innovation in the training process and the European dimension in training at all levels, through a series of measures. The programme provided in particular for: - a common framework of objectives for Community action in this area, including: . adaptation of training to industrial change, . training to help with reintegration into the labour market, . measures to increase the mobility of teachers and young people, . cooperation between training establishments and companies, . information exchange in this area; and - a set of specific Community measures designed to support and complement the actions taken by Member States, including: . the implementation of transnational projects aimed at improving the quality of professional training, and transnational placement programmes; . the implementation of actions designed to promote innovation in the field of vocational training through transnational projects and placement programmes in other Member States; . the setting up of a European network of national authorities which would be responsible for administering the programme in the Member States. A part of this budget category would be devoted to providing aid for projects which seek to improve language skills and knowledge.