Research RTD: results dissemination of technological and demonstration specific programmes

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The proposal for a decision set out the principles applicable to intellectual property rights resulting from RTD projects funded by the Community and laid down the framework rules for disseminating the results of the research. As regards shared-cost RTD projects, the results of these activities were to remain the property of the parties carrying out the work. The latter were to apply and market the research findings in keeping with the Community interests, grant each other licences and users' rights and give rights of access to other interested parties who may need to use the said results. Knowledge which was the property of the Community must be made available to the contracting parties and to interested third parties who were established in the Community or in third countries associated with the implementation of the programmes, under an agreement concluded between the Community and the third country concerned. Contracting parties were to provide other contractors and interested third parties with the necessary knowledge and information, on condition that the legitimate interests of the contractors and the Community were safeguarded. Finally, the Commission was to take steps to ensure that sufficient information was published on new discoveries.