Specific research programme RTD: marine sciences and technologies (1994-1998)

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The proposal for a decision aimed to establish a specific programme of research and technological development, including demonstration, in the field of marine science and technology for the period 1994-1998. - Amount deemed necessary: ECU 228 million. - General objective of the programme: the programme ensured the continuity of the previous programmes MAST and MAST II with updated form and content. Research fields covered by the programme: - Marine science: research on marine systems; extreme marine environments; research on regional seas; - Strategic marine research: research on coastal waters and the continental plateau; coastal engineering; assessment of the risks and impact; - Marine technology: generic technology; advanced systems; - Supporting initiatives: coordination, cooperation and exchanges of information amongst European researchers. Participation in the programme was open, with financial support from the Community, to all legal entities established in the Community or in an associated country, following the conclusion of an agreement with that country, as well as to the Joint Research Centre. The programme would be implemented through shared-cost actions, concerted actions, specific measures and accompanying measures relating to international cooperation, the dissemination of results and the training of researchers and users. The Commission was authorised to hold negotiations with a view to concluding international agreements with third countries in Europe in order to involve them in all or some of the programme.