

Trans-European networks for the electronic interchange of data between administrations IDA II: guidelines and projects

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OBJECTIVE: the purpose of the proposal for a decision is to lay down guidelines and identify projects of common interest for trans-European networks for the electronic interchange of data between administrations (IDA programme - second phase). **SUBSTANCE:** the aims of the Community measures during the proposed second phase of the IDA programme are as follows: - to establish interoperable trans-European telematic networks to exchange data between Member State administrations in order to establish economic and monetary union and enable the Member States and the Community to implement Community policies; - to establish integrated telematic networks for the facilitation of communication between the Community institutions and in support of the Community decision-making process. With a view to attaining these objectives, the Community and Member States may implement projects of common interest falling into three broad categories: - continuation and development of existing IDA projects; - globalization of IDA networks; - interinstitutional projects. Priority will be assigned to projects which: - contribute to removing obstacles to the free movement of goods, persons, services and capital; - support communication between the Community institutions; - contribute to the protection of the financial interests of the Community or to the fight against fraud; - facilitate preparations for enlargement of the European Union; - facilitate industrial competitiveness, particularly of SMEs; - provide a direct benefit to the citizens of the European Union. The Commission will be assisted by a committee of representatives of the Member States chaired by the Commission representative (the Telematics between Administrations Committee - TAC). The financial framework for the Community measure is ECU 38.5 m for 1998-2000.