Reseauch RTD, 5th EC framework-programme 1998-2002: specific programme "preservation of the ecosystem"

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OBJECTIVE: to adopt a specific programme for research, technological development and demonstration on 'Preserving the ecosystem' (1998 to 2002). SUBSTANCE: with a view to the implementation of the fifth framework programme of R&TD, the Commission proposes adopting a specific programme on 'preserving the ecosystem' for the period 1998-2002. The amount deemed necessary for the implementation of the specific programme is ECU 2320 m (ECU 440 m for 1998-1999; ECU 1880 m for 2000-2002). The main outlines of the programme are as follows: a) six key actions: - sustainable management and quality of water; - global change, climate and biodiversity; - sustainable marine ecosystems; - the city of tomorrow and cultural heritage; - cleaner energy systems, including renewables; - economic and efficient energy for a competitive Europe; b) research and technological development activities of a generic nature: - the fight against major natural and technological hazards; - earth observation satellite technologies; - socio-economic aspects of environmental change in the perspective of sustainable development; - socio-economic aspects of energy (impact on the economy and employment); c) research infrastructure (climate and global change research facilities, marine research facilities, natural hazards research facilities).