

European capital of culture: Community action, years 2005 to 2019

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In its text regarding the modification of the proposal on the European Culture Capital and following the European Parliament's second reading, the Commission accepted all of the latter's amendments. As a consequence, it has amended its proposal by integrating the amendments aimed at: - reintroducing into the body of the decision the system of an independent panel, as well as the criteria on which the submission would be evaluated, as provided for in the Commission's original proposal (cultural project with a European dimension); - specifying the criteria to assure the cultural quality and the European dimension of the programme of the designated Cultural Capital; - modifying the date of the end of the Kaleidoscope Programme (1999 instead of 1998) in the framework of which a contribution has been envisaged up to now for the European Cultural Capital; - deleting the former criteria for the cultural evaluation of submissions and the former steering committee composed of independent persons; - taking into consideration of the future enlargement of the Union.