# Audiovisual: training scheme for professionals of European programmme industry, MEDIA II

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In its opinion on the Council's common position on the MEDIA II programme, the Commission fully subscribes to the text adopted by the Council, with the exception of one point relating to the financial reference amount which the Council has included in the body of the text. The Council has set a financial reference amount in its common position of 45 million ecus in order to be able to make an impact on this sector. According to the Commission, this budget would represent twice the resources allocated to vocational training under the MEDIA I programme (1991-1995). The Commission also stresses that the inclusion of a reference amount in the legislative act is the result of a unilateral position by the Council and considers, for its part, that the programme should only be translated into financial terms on the financial statement. Finally, the Council's wish to open the programme to third countries (such as associated CEECs) is a way of extending the experience acquired by the Commission in the application of the MEDIA programme (1991-1995), and the Commission supports this clause. For the rest, the Commission considers that the text in the common position strikes an overall balance.