TEMPUS II: Trans-European cooperation scheme for higher education, 1 July 1994 to 30 June 2000

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OBJECTIVE: to amend Decision 93/246/EEC with a view to extending the second phase of the Tempus II programme for a period of two years. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Decision 96/663/EC amending Decision 93/246/EEC adopting the second phase of the trans-European cooperation scheme for higher education (TEMPUS II) (1994-1998). SUBSTANCE: the Decision extends the Tempus II programme until 30 June 2000, in line with the PHARE and TACIS programmes whose financial planning will run until 31 December 1999. The Annex to the Decision describes eligible joint European projects as well as mobility or individual grants qualifying for financial support. The measures provided for in the original Decision remain largely unchanged. It should be noted, however, that students from the associated PHARE countries (the countries of Central and Eastern Europe) with access to mobility grants under Socrates and Leonardo will not be able to obtain mobility or support grants for periods of practical training under Tempus. At the same time, the Commission will ensure the necessary monitoring of the implementation of the activities of the Tempus programme. Provision is made for an evaluation of the programme at the end of the second phase as well as the submission of an interim report before 30 April 1998, accompanied by proposals for the possible extension of Tempus from 1 July 2000 for partner countries that do not yet have access to Socrates and Leonardo. A final report is also scheduled for 30 June 2004. ENTRY INTO FORCE: The Decision enters into force on 21 November 1996.