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Adopting the report by Mrs Elly PLOOIJ-VAN GORSEL (ELDR, NL), the European Parliament regretted the delayed evaluation of the EURET programme for the period from 1991-1994 and proposed that, in future, all evaluations should be clearly subject to criteria and guidelines on methods, procedures and deadlines. It called on the Commission to explain the reasons for the incomplete presentation of the funding and to indicate how the additional ECU 8 million had been allocated. It also noted that administrative expenses (13%) were too high. The European Parliament called on the Commission to set out concrete measures for safeguarding coordination with initiatives by Member States, check that Community funding was complementary to and not a substitute for national funding and ensure that recommendations formulated by the high-level panel and accepted were incorporated into transport research policy. Plenary also emphasized the importance of integrating transport systems in order to achieve long-term sustained mobility.