Research in the candidate countries, measures to ensure their full involvement in the framework programme

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution based on the own-initiative report drafted by Jurgen ZIMMERLING (EPP-ED, Germany) on candidate countries' involvement in the Sixth Framework Programme. (Please refer to the document dated 8/10/02.) Parliament pointed out that there is often no clear relation between stated research priorities and the actual needs and capabilities of the candidate countries. There is a need for a new culture in science and technology governance, involving open procedures and regular evaluation of research output and socio-economic impact. There is also an urgent need to link research and educational institutions with each other.