Research RTD, 5th EC framework-programme 1998-2002: specific programme "innovation and participation of SMEs"

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PURPOSE: to adopt a specific programme for research, technological development and demonstration on promotion of innovation and encouragement of SME participation (1998 to 2002). COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council decision 1999/172/EC. CONTENT: the objective of the programme is to promote innovative activities which contribute to the execution of the first action plan for innovation as well as encourgaing SMEs to play a more active role and facilitate their participation in the 5th framework programme for RTD. The amount deemed necessary for carrying out the specific programme is EURO 363 million (EURO 78 million for the period 1998 to 1999 and EURO 285 million for the period 2000 to 2002). Indicative breakdown (in millions of Euros): - promotion of innovation: 119 - encouraging SME participation: 44 - joint innovation/SME activities: 200.