

# EC/Kyrgyzstan Partnership and Cooperation Agreement

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**PURPOSE** : to conclude the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States and the Kyrgyz Republic. **COMMUNITY MEASURE** : Decision 1999/491/EC, ECSC, Euratom of the Council and the Commission relating to the conclusion of the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Kyrgyz Republic, of the other part. **CONTENT** : the decision aims to allow the conclusion of the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the Communities and the Kyrgyz Republic. It relates to a mixed agreement covering sectors of national and Community competences. The Agreement is concluded for a period of 10 years. The Agreement establishes a political dialogue of the highest level. It includes measures relating to the trade of goods, employment conditions, the setting up and the activities of companies, the benefits of cross-border services, payments and capital, competition, protection of intellectual, industrial and commercial property, legal cooperation, economic, financial and cultural cooperation. In addition, the Agreement includes a conditional clause on human rights, allowing its suspension, even unilaterally, in the event of violation of its essential elements, which are the respect of democratic principles, human rights and principles of the market economy. The Agreement will be managed by a triple structure : a Cooperation Council, a Cooperation Committee and a Parliamentary Cooperation Commission. The measures relating to customs cooperation are the subject of a separate protocol. This Agreement replaces the 1989 Agreement on trade and commercial and economic cooperation between the European Communities and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republic. **ENTRY INTO FORCE** : the Agreement enters into force when all the notification procedures have been accomplished by the parties.