# Research RTD 5th framework programme 1998-2002: association of Poland

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PURPOSE : the opening up of the Fifth Framework programme in the field of research and technological development to Poland for the period 1998-2002. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Council Decision 1999 /708/EC. CONTENT : this decision no 4/1999 of the EU-Poland Association Council sets the terms and conditions for the participation of Poland in the specific programmes of the Fifth Framework Programme in the field of research and technological development. It is foreseen that Polish research bodies (universities, research centres, industrial companies,...) will participate in all the planned programmes under the same conditions as the Community bodies. The Decision specifies the ways in which this participation may take place, as well as the intellectual property and confidentiality of information arising from carrying out joint research. There are also indications provided on the subject of Poland's financial contributions to the Community budget with regard to its participation in these various programmes. These will be fixed on the basis of the ratio of the gross domestic product of Poland to the sum of the gross domestic product of the Member States and that of Poland, and in addition to the supplementary administrative costs attributable to the management of the programmes by the Commission. Very precise rules govern the financial participation of this country in the planned programmes. Measures are also laid down to enable Polish representatives to participate in the work of the various programme committees, as well as to associate this country with all the subsequent framework programmes. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 03.09.1999. The Decision is valid for the duration of the fifth framework programme (that is, until 2002).