

Youth policy: Youth in action programme for 2007-2013

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The Council reached a partial political agreement on a decision establishing the programme Youth in action 2007, which is aimed at providing financial support for the European youth sector for the 2007-2013 period.

With regard to the two remaining outstanding issues, it was decided to support the Commission text and therefore:

- not to make project selection subject to the management procedure; and
- not to allow a Ministry to act as a national agency.

The "partial" nature of this agreement is due to the fact that the budgetary aspects have been excluded pending the outcome of the discussions on the future Community financial framework (Financial Perspective 2007/2013). It is therefore expected that this item will return to the (Education, Youth and Culture) Council's agenda at some future date in order to finalise the budget and its final breakdown aspects.