

Seventh Framework Programme for research, technological development and demonstration activities (2007-2013)

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The Council reached an agreement on the adoption of a general approach to the 7th framework programme 2007-2013, pending Parliament's first reading. At the same time, Council examined a draft text on the Euratom framework programme 2007-2011, with a view to reach agreement at a later stage.

In line with the inter-institutional agreement on the EU's budget covering the years 2007-2013 the Council agreed that total spending on the 7th framework programme should be EUR 54.5 billion, to be broken down as follows:

- Co-operation (dealing with collaborative research): EUR 32 billion.
- Ideas (including the establishment of the European Research Council): EUR 7.5 billion.
- Capacities (dealing with the EU's research infrastructure as well as SME's) EUR 4.2 billion.
- People (dealing with human resources): EUR 5 billion.

The Euratom programme has been ear-marked EUR 2.7 billion over a five year period.

Council deliberations took place based on a partial agreement reached in November 2005.