

General Programme "Fundamental rights and justice": specific programme "Fundamental rights and citizenship", 2007-2013

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The Council adopted the decision establishing for the period from 2007-2013 the specific programme "**Fundamental rights and citizenship**" as part of the general programme "Fundamental Rights and Justice". (See Council document: *16505/06*).

The main objectives of the programme will be:

- to promote the development of a European society based on respect for fundamental rights;
- to strengthen civil society and to encourage an open transparent and regular dialogue with it in respect of fundamental rights;
- to fight against racism, xenophobia and anti-Semitism;
- to promote a better interfaith and intercultural understanding and improved tolerance throughout the European Union.

The programme will be implemented within the scope of application of Community law.

The general objectives of the programme will contribute to the development and implementation of Community policies in full compliance with fundamental rights and they are complementary to the objectives pursued by the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights.