Basic information

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Research RTD, 4th EC framework programme 1994-1998: specific programme "dissemination and optimization of research results" **Subject** 3.50.02.01 EC, EU framework programme	

Key players

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
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Research	1810	1994-12-01

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
30/03/1994	Legislative proposal published	COM(1994)0068	Summary
21/04/1994	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
14/11/1994	Vote in committee		Summary
14/11/1994	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0067/1994	
17/11/1994	Debate in Parliament		
15/12/1994	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
15/12/1994	End of procedure in Parliament		
31/12/1994	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1994/0093(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ENER/3/05565

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Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0067/1994 OJ C 341 05.12.1994, p. 0014	14/11/1994	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0151/1994 OJ C 341 05.12.1994, p. 0201-0239	18/11/1994	Summary
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Other institutions and bodies				
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EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES1019/1994 OJ C 393 31.12.1994, p. 0117	14/09/1994	

Additional information		
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Final act	
Decision 1994/0917 OJ L 361 31.12.1994, p. 0101	Summary

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1994/0093(CNS) - 18/11/1994 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

"Horizontal" amendments to the specific programmes. As with its consideration of the 12 specific programmes approved by the EP at the end of the previous parliamentary term, the EP adopted horizontal amendments which dealt with the same issues but which were located in different places in the texts of the individual projects. These amendments related to: 1) the EP's prerogatives with regard to the budget: the Committee on Research felt that the final amounts for the programmes should be adopted by the budgetary authority in accordance with the resources available under the financial perspective and the relative priority laid down for the fields covered by the various programmes. 2) the progress made in implementing the programmes: as far as the committee was concerned, any increase in the overall maximum amount of the Fourth Framework Programme for RTD would depend, in particular, on the evaluation of the progress made in implementing the programmes; in this respect, it stressed that for the progress to be deemed satisfactory, it was important for the first commitments of appropriations to be effected within a period of 12 months following the adoption of the programme in question. 3) the need to speed up the selection procedures and make them more transparent: it was important to simplify

and speed up the application and selection procedures in order to make it easier for small and medium-sized entreprises, research centres and universities to take part in the specific programmes. 4) information for the EP: the work programme drawn up by the Commission setting out in detail the scientific and technological objectives and specifying the stages in the implementation of the programme as well as the proposed financial arrangements should be forwarded to the EP along with any updated versions. 5) comitology: the EP reiterated its support for consultative committees rather than regulatory committees. It also recommended that any expenses involved in taking part in the committees should be borne by the Member States. 6) international agreements: the EP proposed extending the scope of the negotiations undertaken by the Commission with a view to involving, through international agreements, third countries in Europe in the RTD programmes, so as to also include third countries in the Mediterranean. Dissemination and optimisation of RTD results. The EP pointed out that SMEs comprised a very wide range of businesses. These businesses could differ substantially between the Member States as regards both sector and size. As a result, the EP called for a diversified approach, adapted to the different types of SMEs with the aim of ensuring the optimum dissemination and exploitation of the research results.

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1994/0093(CNS) - 30/03/1994 - Legislative proposal

The proposal for a decision aimed to establish a specific programme of research and technological development, including demonstration, in the field of the dissemination and optimisation of research results for the period 1994-1998. - Amount deemed necessary: ECU 293 million. - General objectives of the programme: to ensure the widest possible dissemination of the results of the RTD research carried out under Community and national programmes, to achieve optimum exploitation of the results, to promote technology transfer, particularly to SMEs, and to support the initiatives launched at national and regional level to give them a Community dimension. The programmed covered three areas of action: - Dissemination and exploitation of the results of research; - Dissemination of technology to enterprises; - Financial environment for the dissemination of technology. Participation in the programme was open, with financial support from the Community, to all legal entities established in the Community or in an associated country, following the conclusion of an agreement with that country, as well as to the Joint Research Centre. The programme would be implemented through shared-cost actions, concerted actions, specific measures and accompanying measures relating to international cooperation, the dissemination of results and the training of researchers and users. The Commission was authorised to hold negotiations with a view to concluding international agreements with third countries in Europe in order to involve them in all or some of the programme.

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1994/0093(CNS) - 15/12/1994 - Final act

The Council decision adopted a specific programme for RTD in the field of the dissemination and optimisation of research results for the period 1994-1998. - General objective: to ensure the widest possible dissemination of the results of the RTD research carried out under Community and national programmes, to achieve optimum exploitation of the results, to promote technology transfer, particularly to SMEs, and to support the initiatives launched at national and regional level to give them a Community dimension. - Amount deemed necessary: ECU 293 million. Indicative breakdown by area (in million ecus): - Dissemination and exploitation of the results of research: 142 - Dissemination of technology to entreprises: 136 - Financial environment for the dissemination of technology: 15 Participation in the programme was open, with financial support from the Community, to all legal entities established in the Community or in an associated country, following the conclusion of an agreement with the third country in question, and to the Joint Research Centre. The programme would be implemented through shared-cost actions, concerted actions, specific measures and accompanying measures relating to international cooperation, to the dissemination of results and to training for researchers and users.