Basic information

1997/0214(COD) COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure) Decision	Procedure completed
KAROLUS programme: exchange of national officials between administrations (amend. Dec. 92/481/EEC) **Subject** 2.80 Cooperation between administrations	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy		

Former committee responsible	Former rapporteur	Appointed
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy	VON WOGAU Karl (PPE)	09/10/1997

Former committee for opinion	Former rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
BUDG Budgets	SAMLAND Detlev (PSE)	24/07/1997

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
General Affairs	2066	1998-01-26
Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)	2051	1997-11-27
Environment	2076	1998-03-23

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
24/07/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0393	Summary
15/09/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
29/10/1997	Vote in committee, 1st reading		Summary
29/10/1997	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A4-0340/1997	

24/11/1997	Modified legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0635	Summary
26/01/1998	Council position published	13164/1997	Summary
29/01/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 2nd reading		
25/02/1998	Vote in committee, 2nd reading		Summary
23/03/1998	Act approved by Council, 2nd reading		
07/04/1998	Final act signed		
07/04/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
28/04/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	1997/0214(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
Legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 66_o-p4 EC Treaty (before Amsterdam) E 100A
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ECON/4/09720

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0340/1997 OJ C 358 24.11.1997, p. 0003	29/10/1997	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0541/1997 OJ C 371 08.12.1997, p. 0015-0024	18/11/1997	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 2nd reading		T4-0115/1998 OJ C 104 06.04.1998, p. 0019-0030	10/03/1998	Summary

Council of the EU

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Council position	13164/1997 OJ C 062 26.02.1998, p. 0060	26/01/1998	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
	COM(1997)0393		

Legislative proposal	OJ C 274 10.09.1997, p. 0009	24/07/1997	Summary
Modified legislative proposal	COM(1997)0635 OJ C 001 03.01.1998, p. 0018	24/11/1997	Summary
Commission communication on Council's position	SEC(1998)0125	27/01/1998	Summary

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES1389/1997 OJ C 073 09.03.1998, p. 0049	10/12/1997	Summary

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act

Decision 1998/0889
OJ L 126 28.04.1998, p. 0006 Summary

KAROLUS programme: exchange of national officials between administrations (amend. Dec. 92/481/EEC)

1997/0214(COD) - 24/11/1997 - Modified legislative proposal

In its amended proposal, the European Commission has accepted most of the amendments adopted by Parliament at first reading. These relate primarily to the consolidation of participation in the programme and to budgetary planning for KAROLUS: appropriations for KAROLUS for 1993-1997 will amount to ECU 7.7 million, appropriations for 1998-1999 will amount to ECU 4.5 million. The aggregate amount of ECU 12.2 million will correspond to a total of 1 340 participants. The Commission has not accepted Parliament's amendments concerning commitology.

KAROLUS programme: exchange of national officials between administrations (amend. Dec. 92/481/EEC)

1997/0214(COD) - 07/04/1998 - Final act

OBJECTIVE: to extend for a further two years the Karolus programme and extend the programme to the associated countries of Central and Eastern Europe, the EEA countries and Cyprus. COMMUNITY MEASURE: European Parliament and Council Decision 889/98/EC amending Council Decision 92/481/EEC on the adoption of an action plan for the exchange between Member State administrations of national officials who are engaged in the implementation of Community legislation required to achieve the internal market (Karolus programme). SUBSTANCE: The purpose of the present Decision is to extend the Karolus programme by two years (from 01.01.1998 to 31.12.1999) before the programme is completely revised. This extension is being made without increasing the budget, as the amount provided for in Decision 92/481/EEC setting up Karolus has not been completely exhausted. However, a new budgetary schedule is proposed, as follows: 1) from 1993 to 1997, the appropriations for Karolus are set at ECU 7.7 m, 2) from 1998 to 1999, they are set at ECU 4.5 m. The cumulative amount of ECU 12.2 m corresponds to an overall figure of 1340 participants. The Decision also extends the programme: -to the associated countries of Central and Eastern Europe, in accordance with the conditions laid down in the additional protocols to the Association Agreements relating to participation by these countries in Community programmes, -to EFTA countries which

are members of the EEA and Cyprus, on the basis of additional appropriations, details to be agreed with these countries. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 07.04.1998.

KAROLUS programme: exchange of national officials between administrations (amend. Dec. 92/481/EEC)

1997/0214(COD) - 18/11/1997 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

In adopting the report by Mr Karl von WOGAU (PPE, D), the European Parliament has approved the two-year extension of the KAROLUS programme (exchange of officials). It has proposed the following changes to the budgetary planning of the programme: - appropriations for 1993-1997 to amount to ECU 7.7 million, - the budget for 1998-1999 to be fixed at ECU 4.5 million. The aggregate amount of ECU 12.2. million would correspond to an overall figure of 1 900 participants. Parliament also proposes changes to the committee arrangements, with an advisory committee replacing the one originally envisaged.

KAROLUS programme: exchange of national officials between administrations (amend. Dec. 92/481/EEC)

1997/0214(COD) - 10/03/1998 - Text adopted by Parliament, 2nd reading

The European Parliament adopted the recommendation for second reading (procedure without report) concerning the extension of the KAROLUS programme, unamended.

KAROLUS programme: exchange of national officials between administrations (amend. Dec. 92/481/EEC)

1997/0214(COD) - 24/07/1997 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: to extend for two years (until December 1999), in its present form, the Karolus programme of exchanges between Member State administrations of officials responsible for implementing Community legislation, and to extend the programme to the Central and Eastern European associated countries and to EFTA countries which are EEA members and Cyprus. SUBSTANCE: Pending a complete overhaul of the programme, the Commission proposes extending the Karolus programme for two years (from 01.01.1998 to 31.12.1999), in accordance with the programme management committee's desire for a transitional period before the programme is altered. The extension can be carried out without any extra resources, as the amount laid down in Decision 92/481/EEC setting up the Karolus programme has not been completely exhausted. In parallel, the proposal calls for the programme to be extended to: - associated CEECs in accordance with the conditions laid down in the additional protocols to the association agreements concerning participation by these countries in Community programmes, - EFTA countries which are EEA members and Cyprus, on the basis of additional appropriations and in accordance with arrangements to be agreed with the countries concerned.

KAROLUS programme: exchange of national officials between administrations (amend. Dec. 92/481/EEC)

1997/0214(COD) - 26/01/1998 - Council position

In its common position on the extension of the KAROLUS programme, the Council has incorporated as it stands the Commission?s amended proposal, which took on board almost all the amendments adopted by the European Parliament at first reading. In particular, the Council has incorporated the amendments relating to the budgetary planning of the programme (ECU 12.2 million over 7 years) and the overall number of participants in KAROLUS (i.e. 1,340 participants). Only the amendment concerning comitology (which had been rejected by the Commission in its amended proposal) was rejected by the Council.

KAROLUS programme: exchange of national officials between administrations (amend. Dec. 92/481/EEC)

1997/0214(COD) - 10/12/1997 - Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report

The Economic and Social Committee frequently saw that differences in interpretation and application of single market legislation created more problems for businesses than any other factor. The Committee therefore endorsed without reservation the Commission’s proposals to extend the Karolus programme for a two-year transitional period, to widen its application during that period to other specified states and to develop a modified programme with a wider scope, and with possible participation of the workers, to take the place of the existing programme at the end of the transitional period.

KAROLUS programme: exchange of national officials between administrations (amend. Dec. 92/481/EEC)

1997/0214(COD) - 27/01/1998 - Commission communication on Council's position

In its opinion on the common position of the Council on the KAROLUS programme, the Commission stated that it fully supported Council?s text.