Basic information

1998/0078(CNS) CNS - Consultation procedure Decision	Procedure completed
Small and medium-sized enterprises SMEs: participation of Bulgaria in Community programme **Subject** 3.45.02 Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME), craft industries 6.40.02 Relations with central and eastern Europe **Geographical area** Bulgaria	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy	RÜBIG Paul (PPE)	16/04/1998

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
BUDG Budgets		

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
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Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
04/03/1998	Legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0113	Summary
03/04/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
03/09/1998	Vote in committee		
03/09/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0309/1998	
16/09/1998	Debate in Parliament		
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20/11/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
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Technical information	
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Procedure subtype	International agreement
Legislative instrument	Decision
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0309/1998 OJ C 313 12.10.1998, p. 0009	03/09/1998	
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Final act

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Small and medium-sized enterprises SMEs: participation of Bulgaria in Community programme

1998/0078(CNS) - 17/09/1998 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

Adopting the report by Mr Paul RÜBIG (PPE, A), the European Parliament approved the participation of Bulgaria in the Community programme in the field of small and medium-sized enterprises. It adopted a number of amendments seeking to improve the financial management and administration of the programme. It also asked for an annual report on the success of this country's participation in the SME programme.

Small and medium-sized enterprises SMEs: participation of Bulgaria in Community programme

1998/0078(CNS) - 15/09/1998

PURPOSE: within the framework of the pre-accession strategy, opening the third Community programme in the field of SMEs to Bulgaria from 1997 to 2000. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council decision 1999/111/EC. CONTENT: this decision (4/98) by the EC/Bulgaria Association Council of 23/11/98 lays down the conditions and requirements for this country's participation in the multiannual Community programme in the field of SMEs. In particular, Bulgaria: - will participate in the relevant activities of the programme according to the same provisions as for the Member States; - will be required to include a minimum number of partners from the Member States in all transnational projects and activities it proposes; - will annually pay a contribution to the general budget of the European Communities to cover the costs resulting from its participation in the programme (more precisiely, financial support from the programme to the participation of Bulgarian entities and supplementary administrative costs related to the Commission's management of the programme stemming from Bulgaria's participation). Bulgaria's annual contribution will be ECU 726,102 in 1998 and 1999, and ECU 833,102 in 2000. Subject to regular PHARE programming procedures, 100% of the costs of its participation will be paid by Bulgaria's annual PHARE allocation in 1998, around 86% in 1999 and around 64% in 2000. The remaining costs, including the supplementary adminiastrative costs will be paid from Bulgaria's national budget. The Member States and Bulgaria will make every effort to facilitate the free movement and residence of those participating in the programme and moving between the Member States and Bulgaria. Bulgaria will be involved in the monitoring of its participation in the programme in order to prepare for the Community decision-making process in the context of accession (in particular, by taking part in coordination meetings prior to regular meetings of the programme committee and will be kept informed of the results of the committee's meetings. Bulgaria's participation is valid for the duration of the programme (until 31/12/2000). ENTRY INTO FORCE: 01/12/1998.

Small and medium-sized enterprises SMEs: participation of Bulgaria in Community programme

1998/0078(CNS) - 04/03/1998 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: as an element in the pre-accession strategy, to open up the third Community programme for SMEs to Bulgaria for the years 1998, 1999 and 2000. SUBSTANCE: the proposal for a decision by the EC-Bulgaria Association Council lays down the conditions and procedures for Bulgaria's participation in the Multiannual Community Programme for SMEs. In particular, Bulgaria: -will participate, unless otherwise provided in the proposal, in all actions of the Programme under the same conditions as the Member States; -in order to ensure the Community dimension of the Programme, will include in all transnational projects and activities which it proposes a minimum number of partners from the Member States; -will pay a contribution to the budget of the Community to cover the costs arising from its participation in the programme. The contribution is to cover the financial aid provided to Bulgarian entities under the programme and additional administrative costs imputable to the management of the programme by the Commission (approx. 7%). It amounts to: .ECU 726 102 in 1998, .ECU 726 102 in 1999, .ECU 833 102 in 2000. To some extent, the Community will be able to participate in the payment of these contributions by deducting the necessary amounts from the annual allocation to Phare/Bulgaria (subject to the usual programming procedures, Phare would contribute 100% of this contribution in 1998, around 86% in 1999 and around 64% in 2000, the remainder being met from Bulgaria's national budget). Bulgaria will facilitate the free movement and residence of all private persons receiving funding under the programme and moving between Bulgaria and the Member States. It will be involved in the monitoring of its participation in the programme in order to prepare for the Community decision-making process with a view to accession (particularly by attending coordination meetings before meetings of the management committee and by being informed of the latter's decisions). Bulgaria's participation is valid for the duration of the programme (i.e. until 31.12.2000).