## Basic information

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| **2001/2084(COS)**<br>COS - Procedure on a strategy paper (historic) | Procedure completed |
| Employment: new European labour markets before 2005, 2002 action plan<br>**Subject**<br>4.15.02 Employment: guidelines, actions, Funds | |

## Key players

### European Parliament

| Committee responsible | Rapporteur | Appointed |
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| EMPL Employment and Social Affairs | NOBILIA Mauro (UEN) | 15/03/2001 |

| Committee for opinion | Rapporteur for opinion | Appointed |
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| JURI Legal Affairs and Internal Market | The committee decided not to give an opinion. | |
| ITRE Industry, External Trade, Research, Energy | The committee decided not to give an opinion. | |
| CULT Culture, Youth, Education, Media and Sport | MARTENS Maria (PPE-DE) | 22/03/2001 |

### Council of the European Union

| Council configuration | Meetings | Date |
|---|---|---|
| Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space) | 2336 | 2001-03-12 |

### European Commission

| Commission DG | Commissioner |
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| Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion | |

## Key events

| Date | Event | Reference | Summary |
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| 28/02/2001 | Non-legislative basic document published | COM(2001)0116 | Summary |
| 12/03/2001 | Debate in Council | | |
| 14/05/2001 | Committee referral announced in Parliament | | |

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| 09/10/2001 | Vote in committee | | Summary |
| 09/10/2001 | Committee report tabled for plenary | A5-0375/2001 | |
| 13/12/2001 | Decision by Parliament | T5-0717/2001 | Summary |
| 13/12/2001 | Debate in Parliament |  | |
| 13/12/2001 | End of procedure in Parliament | | |
| 25/07/2002 | Final act published in Official Journal | | |

## Technical information

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| **Procedure reference** | 2001/2084(COS) |
| **Procedure type** | COS - Procedure on a strategy paper (historic) |
| **Procedure subtype** | Commission strategy paper |
| **Legal basis** | Rules of Procedure EP 148 |
| **Stage reached in procedure** | Procedure completed |
| **Committee dossier** | EMPL/5/14683 |

## Documentation gateway

**European Parliament**

| Document type | Committee | Reference | Date | Summary |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading | | A5-0375/2001 | 09/10/2001 | |
| Text adopted by Parliament, single reading | | T5-0717/2001<br>OJ C 177 25.07.2002, p. 0224-0330 E | 13/12/2001 | Summary |

**Council of the EU**

| Document type | Reference | Date | Summary |
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| Document attached to the procedure | 00720/2001<br>OJ C 204 20.07.2001, p. 0003 | 13/07/2001 | |

**European Commission**

| Document type | Reference | Date | Summary |
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| Non-legislative basic document | COM(2001)0116 | 28/02/2001 | Summary |

**Other institutions and bodies**

| Institution/body | Document type | Reference | Date | Summary |
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| EESC | Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report | CES1125/2001<br>OJ C 311 07.11.2001, p. 0060 | 12/09/2001 | |

# Employment: new European labour markets before 2005, 2002 action plan

2001/2084(COS) - 13/12/2001 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament has adopted the resolution by Mauro NOBILIA (UEN, I). The Parliament hopes that by the end of 2002, the Member States will reach agreement on the question of the 'fiscal package' and the tax disadvantages affecting cross-border workers. The Council is asked to take a decision as soon as possible on the mandate given by the Stockholm European Council to draw up parameters with a view to modernising Regulation 1408/71 on the coordination of social security systems, in order to enable the Council and the European Parliament to accelerate final adoption, and also to include third country nationals by the end of 2002. The Parliament notes the setting up of a Skills and Mobility Task Force and asks to be informed regularly of the work of the task force. It asks the Commission also to forward to Parliament the action plan which it intends to submit to the Spring 2002 European Council so that it can deliver an opinion before the Council. The Commission is called upon to produce as a matter of urgency a thorough qualitative study on the possible distortions of the labour market which might result from the significant increase in labour migration which is principally emerging. Moreover, the Commission is called upon to submit a proposal, in conjunction with the Sixth Framework Programme on Research which is due to be adopted by June 2002 in codecision with Parliament, to formulate a specific strategy on mobility inside the European Research Area, while urging the Member States to pool their ideas and experience and to strengthen research and development, inter alia by means of economic incentives and EIB actions, with particular reference to disadvantaged regions of the Union. Lastly, the Parliament calls on the Commission to suggest to the candidate countries that they participate in the project in question, possibly by incorporating it in the action plan for eEurope 2002.

# Employment: new European labour markets before 2005, 2002 action plan

2001/2084(COS) - 28/02/2001 - Non-legislative basic document

PURPOSE : to present a Communication on new European Labour Markets, Open to all, with Access for all. CONTENT : the Commission intends to promote a new strategy for ensuring the New European Labour Markets are open and accessible to all by 2005. This communication presents an analysis of the drivers and changing characteristics of the new labour markets, and the benefits that would flow from achieving greater efficiency and openness. It outlines existing policy initiatives to ensure free movement of people and to increase the level of skills and their transferability from one country to another, and sets out the main, additional, policy steps that need to be taken in order to meet the new challenges and opportunities within the European Union, focusing on mobility within the existing EU. This communication is therefore aimed at ensuring that all citizens, and not just a selected few, benefit from mobility opportunities. In particular, it identifies a set of key tasks for the new High-level Skills and Mobility Task-Force proposed by the Commission in its communication to Stockholm. The communication addresses the issue of how best to ensure that the various labour markets that make up the European labour market are open to all, with access for all within the EU, given: pressure from increasingly integrated European businesses, and from workers; the impact of wide-ranging structural changes across Europe - driven by globalisation, technology, demography and social aspirations; the challenge of ensuring greater convergence and opportunity across the regions of the EU in the face of economic and social change and integration. A comprehensive European policy initiative is called for in order to remove the main barriers to the development of European labour markets, ensure the new European labour markets are attractive, efficient, open to all, with access for all, ensure the effective development and utilisation of the potential European workforce, especially for effective matching of skills supply and demand and develop the skills of levels of the potential European workforce through life long learning.