



Understanding EU priorities

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Overview of session

Part 1 Policies and priorities
explain EU policies underpinning funding programmes for schools and colleges and outline current priorities for funding.

Part 2 Navigating the maze
outline the range of EU funding programmes on offer to schools and colleges and their specific benefits for teachers and pupils

Part 3 Essential funding information
information in support of proposals for EU funding





THE ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION IN EDUCATION & TRAINING

- ★ range of funding programmes for education
- ★ programmes coordinated by individual EC Directorates (DGs)
- ★ Education, training and youth
- ★ Environment
- ★ Research etc.






EUROPEAN COMMISSION GENERAL PRIORITIES

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- ★ Increasing competitiveness of European business and encouraging cooperation
 - ★ Encouraging trans-European partnerships in research and development, education and training, technology, energy, health and communications.
 - ★ Encouraging the mobility of people, goods, services, and expertise.
 - ★ Developing human resources through vocational training.
 - ★ Harmonising standards including qualifications.



EUROPEAN COMMISSION GENERAL PRIORITIES

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- ★ Encouraging the participation of traditionally excluded groups.
 - ★ Encouraging the social partnership between employers and employees.
 - ★ Supporting innovative schemes and pilot projects for the replication of good practice.
 - ★ Supporting areas of industrial decline through employment regeneration measures.



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Community action shall be aimed:

- ★ at developing the European Dimension in education particularly through languages
- ★ at encouraging mobility of students and teachers
- ★ by promoting cooperation
- ★ by developing exchanges of information and experience
- ★ by encouraging the development of distance education





GUIDELINES FOR EDUCATION, TRAINING AND YOUTH FOR THE YEARS 2000 - 2006

four priority objectives in education are:

- ★ strengthen the European dimension
- ★ promote co-operation
- ★ help remove obstacles, in particular by improvements in the recognition of diplomas and period of study
- ★ encourage innovation





PRIORITIES 2002-2006

- ★ **Enlargement of the EU**
- ★ **Vocational Education**
- ★ **Lifelong Learning**
- ★ **eLearning (ICT in education)**
- ★ **E-inclusion**
- ★ **Science Education**
- ★ **School twinning**
- ★ **Citizenship – Democracy -
Entrepreneurship**

