

**Actions arising from the meeting of the Task Force on  
instruments  
31 May 2002**

**Chair:** P. Kind (RTD-B) (partim), M. Richards (RTD-G4) (partim)

**Present:** J. Gaudin (RTD-D01), S. Gruber (RTD-D01), R. Krengel (RTD-  
(partim), R. Liberali (RTD-D), J. Magan (INFSO) J.D. Malo (RTD-A3), M.  
Mina (TREN)), M. Moller (INFSO), N. Pantalos (ENTR) C. Proflis (RTD-  
B2), C. Renier (RTD-B2), M. Richards (RTD-G4), E. Rille (RTD-L4), K.  
Rouhana (INFSO), N. Sabatier (RTD-A3), G. Stroud (RTD-A2), L. Van  
den Brande (RTD-A 2) R. Zimmermann (INFSO)

**Weekly events:**

**Integrated projects cost methodologies**

- The Steering Group of 24 May decided to go ahead with the SFC method, which has been presented to the Council Research Group on 30 May (already circulated to the TF and available on the web): the reactions of the MS were rather hostile at a first stage; an offer has been made of visits to the capitals (**PK** to Paris on 3 June, **Zangl** and **RJS** to Bonn on 3-4 June)

**Rules for participation**

- Spanish Presidency will ask on 31 May p.m. a negotiating mandate from COREPER for the trilogue foreseen for 5 June; though the Presidency tried to distinguish between the 2 issues (Participation rules and cost methodologies), most MS established such link, which could possibly influence 31 May discussions in COREPER.

**Framework Programme**

- Should be adopted by Social Affairs Council on 3 June.

**Specific Programme**

- Vote in ITRE on 28 May, underlining an important ethics remaining problem.

**Evaluation process and evaluation criteria**

- **Evaluation process: main changes compared to FP 5:** possibility to interview proposers, modalities left up to the decision of each competent Director (EoI, number of steps, open call, fixed deadline...), possibility of remote assessment (probably not used this year due to the extra time it would imply); some issues are not entirely solved yet within the working group: ranking by consensus meetings, role of the Commission within the selection process

- **Evaluation criteria:** this issue will be discussed during the next meeting, on basis of a two documents, one for IP and the other for NoE.

### **Possible interaction between new instruments and Marie Curie Fellowships**

Possible difficulties might arise particularly for NoE. In such context, **CR** to work out a document with **JG** and **SG** in order to prevent possible double financing and overlaps and to clarify the distinction between the two instruments from the training point of view.

### **Next meeting**

**Friday, 7 June, at 15.00 (LUX 46 room 1A175):** 1) continue discussion of the NoE working document, in particular the definition of a “researcher” and the financial regime; (2) discussion of evaluation criteria for NoE and IP.