

European action for the European Heritage Label

Committee's reasoned opinion

Proposal for a decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a European action for the European Heritage Label (COM (2010) 76 final)

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The French Senate's Committee on European affairs :

– notes that the transformation of the European Heritage Label, which is currently an intergovernmental initiative, into a formal action of the European Union, should only result in the establishment of a panel of independent experts in charge of the selections of the sites and in the financing of publicity campaigns and of networking activities of sites, in order to foster the exchange of best practices;

– Therefore considers that the transformation of the current intergovernmental initiative into a formal action of the European Union does not bring about a real added-value compared to the current initiative, and that the very existence of this intergovernmental initiative clearly demonstrates that the Member States are able to lead this action by themselves if they find it relevant.