



Recommendation 28 (1949)¹

Meeting of the Ministers of Education and University Authorities

Parliamentary Assembly

It is recommended that, in the near future, the Committee of Ministers should invite the Ministers of Education to meet with a view to drawing up a European plan for cultural cooperation.

The Ministers of Education will naturally be assisted by such experts as they desire for this purpose.

For questions coming under the jurisdiction of Universities, the Committee of Ministers should invite the responsible authorities (Rectors, Chancellors, Vice-Chancellors, etc.), to a meeting to consult each other on the measures to be adopted.

The plan of co-operation to be submitted to the next Session of the Assembly should relate in particular to the following points :

1. Comparative study of the teaching programmes in the different countries in order that the best features of each may be available to all ;
2. The development of the teaching of the leading European languages ;
3. The conditions under which university degrees and diplomas may be recognised in other countries ;
4. The preparation of a series of impartial books dealing with the geography and the history of European countries which bring out the links between them ;
5. The arranging of university courses and lectures on European problems and organisations ;
6. The creation of as large a number as possible of scholarships and periods of study in universities and higher teaching and research institutes abroad ;
7. The methods to be adopted for stimulating popular interest in the cause of European unity by adult education, university extension lectures, broadcasts and the cinema, exchange of records and films between nations and by art and folklore exhibitions ;
8. The collective utilisation to the best advantage of the works of art and particularly archeological treasures, which constitute one of the fundamental elements of the common heritage of the European peoples.

1. (Doc. 101, 2nd part)

