

High-level-Meeting



Cooperation Network for the Western Balkan Region

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IPA Multi-Beneficiary Programme

- Instrument for Pre-Accession
- 2012-2013
- International Law enforcement and Judicial cooperation in the Fight against Organised Crime and Corruption

Sources: Mrs. Cortese presentation from the last working-level-meeting in Sept. 2011



Year 2012

Reinforcement of regional and international cooperation in **witness protection** as a measure to combat organised crime (international relocation of witnesses in cases related to organised crime).

Year 2013

Consolidation of existing international judicial and law enforcement cooperation mechanisms in the region (Prosecutors' Network and the International Law Enforcement Cooperation Units; enhancement of mutual legal assistance; improvement of data protection)



- IPA 2012 Witness Protection Programme
- Project Title: WINPRO II
- Amount: approx EUR 7 million
- Project Purpose: Strengthen institutional capacity of the Witness Protection Units and other public bodies responsible in the Beneficiaries for the protection of witnesses and different agencies of justice (police, justice, NGO's)
- Implementation Mode: Direct Grant Contract



IPA 2013 - International Law Enforcement Cooperation in Criminal Justice

Regional and international cooperation

- Improve strategic and operational cooperation with EU agencies and international organisations
- Support the enlargement countries to meet conditions to operational agreements with Europol
- Support, closer operational cooperation with EU-MS
- Reinforce cooperation between ILECUs on regional level
- Strengthen cooperation between ILECUs and national authorities and organisations, especially the judiciary (inter agency cooperation)



IPA 2013 - International Law Enforcement Cooperation in Criminal Justice (other planned projects)

- Exchange of information and communication technology
- Anti-corruption
- Investigation processes and procedures



Strategic goals of the EU-Council of the EU (17.10.2011)

Priority A (Westafrica)

- Drugs
- Network of liaison officers
- Cordination of the EU-activities
- Border control, hot spots
- Operations and investigations
- Anti-corruption



Priority B (Westbalkan)

- Information-desks, intelligence, investigations (Europol), **Organised Crime!**
- Trans-border operations (JIT-light), investigations (EUagencies)
- Support for the law and enforcement and prosecution (Eurojust)
- Criminal money flows
- Financial and technical support (*Network Western Balkans*) (co-ordination and support partnership-building for activities)
- **Anti-corruption**



- Prioity C (illegal immigration)
- Frontex and Europol co-operation
- Border-control, risk analysis
- Fight against smuggling of minors (children)
- Information exchange and investigations and strategy on high-level, police justice, border police and financial police



Priority D (Synthetic drugs)

- Fight against smuggling of chemical products and precursors
- Profiling system, warning system, monitoring of new psychoactive substances
- co-operation, training programme via CEPOL and other platforms and agencies



- **Priority E (Container Programme)**
- Enhance the security of the EU ports
- Develop common standards
- Technical support for detection illegal goods in container
- Information board and exchange
- Strenghtening the multi-agencies



- Priority F (trafficking in human beings)
- Prioritise of the joint investigations in the EU-MS
- Prevention
- Protection of victims, particular attention for children
- Financial investigations
- Fight against criminal groups involved in trafficking of children (suspects and victims)



Priority G (mobile organized crime group)

- Develop and maintain an EU-intelligence picture (report)
- Better instruments for identification and localisation of groups
- Multi-disicplinary and pro-active approach
- Money flows, remove criminal illegal assets
- Support for transborder investigations and co-operation of the prosecution



Priority H (cyber-crime)

- Establishment of common standards
- Building up of capacities to detect, investigate and prosecute cybercrime
- Faster reaction, networking of agencies in cases of cyber attacks and IT security
- Dismantling and disruption of criminal botnets
- Raise security in cyberspace building public-private partnerships (prevention and security)
- Reporting system in each EU-MS on cyber incidents



Thank you for your attention!

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