

EUROJUST The European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation P.O. Box 16183 – 2500 BD The Hague • The Netherlands



The 3rd EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General

24-25 November 2021 **The Hague, The Netherlands**

Venue: Eurojust





OBJECTIVES OF THE 3RD PG FORUM

Whereas the PG Forum main tasks are:

- To discuss and adopt strategic and policy documents.
- To formulate opinions, recommendations and measures to achieve the objectives mentioned in the Declaration, the Road Map and the General Rules for the Organisation of the PG Forum.
- To endorse statistical data analysis and the establishment of the EMJNet.

The objectives of the 3rd PG Forum are as following:

Cross-Mediterranean strategic documents

I. Consider, reflect and agree upon two cross-Mediterranean strategic documents (action plans)

- 1. Countering the trafficking in human beings and the smuggling of migrants within the Mediterranean region.
- 2. Confiscation of proceeds of crime and assets recovery

Based on the opinions formulated during CrimEx 10 to 14 and the written proposals received from SPCs, EU MS and relevant EU Agencies and international organisations, EuroMed Justice drafted and circulated for comments the drafts of the two strategic documents.

The proposed drafts of the strategic documents will be finalised during the Special CrimEx Session of 23 November 2021, to be held in The Hague. Subsequently, the drafts will be discussed and agreed by the Forum.

Debating thematic priorities

II. Address, discuss and express opinions on the appropriate investigative and prosecutorial measures, and the relevant legal issues affecting the cross-border work of the prosecutorial authorities, regarding the *thematic priorities* identified in the EuroMed Justice Areas:

- **a.** Cybercrime and digital evidence
- **b.** Anti-Money Laundering
- **c.** Personal Data Protection and the cooperation with 3rd countries.
- **d.** Experiences in using Joint and Parallel Investigations and assets recovery proceedings
- e. Countering terrorism and fight organised crime
- f. Environmental Crime

PARTICIPANTS

- Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the South Partner Countries and from the European Union Member States (EU MS).
- Representatives of the European Commission, DG NEAR, DG JUST, EEAS
- The Consultative Forum of Prosecutors General and Directors of Public Prosecutions of the Member States of the European Union

- The Network of Public Prosecutors or equivalent institutions at the Supreme Judicial Courts of the Member States of the European Union (NADAL Network)
- Main stakeholders: Eurojust President and College, European Judicial Network in criminal matters (EJN), the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the United Nations Counter Terrorism Executive Directorate (UN-CTED), the Council of Europe –Consultative Council of European Prosecutors (CCPE) and the International Association of Prosecutors (IAP).
- CrimEx Members and EMJ National Focal Points
- EuroMed Police

The 3rd EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General will take place in hybrid organisation on site at Eurojust premises and on line, with simultaneous interpretation to Arabic, English and French.

EuroMed Justice Programme Team

- Mr. Virgil IVAN-CUCU Programme Coordinator (Team Leader)
- o Mr. Alexandru FRUNZA-NICOLESCU Legal Officer
- o Mrs. Magali BLOKIAU Financial Officer
- Mrs. Morgane THEBAULT Communication Officer
- Mrs. Olesea BECU Programme Officer
- Mrs. Christina TSIAKMAKI Programme Officer
- o Mr Valentin PETRUS Web master

WEDNESDAY 24 November 2021

08.15 – 08.45 Arrival of the participants at Eurojust

Moderator: Mr Lukas Stary Chair of the Eurojust College Board for the Relations with Partners

09.00 **Opening and Welcome**

- European Commission representative <u>On line</u> Mr Maciej Popowski, Acting Director-General for Neighbourhood & Enlargement Negotiations
- President of Eurojust
 <u>On site</u>
 Eurojust President, Mr Ladislav Hamran
- Chairman of the Board of Prosecutors General of the Netherlands <u>On line</u> Chairman, Mr Gerrit van der Burg
- 09.30 Bringing the past to life PG Forum digital history video testimonials from 2nd PG Forum
- 09.40 General Introduction by EuroMed Justice Programme Coordinator and Legal Officer
 - Update on the workings and proposals of the CrimEx 2021
 - Thematic Priorities;
 - Training component;
 - Draft of the Strategic documents/action plans
- 10.00 (I) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General Thematic Priorities
 - Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the South Partner Countries regarding the <u>thematic priorities</u>: **Algeria** *on site*, **Egypt** *on site*, **Israel** *on site*, **Jordan** *on line* (10 min each)
- **10.45 Coffee Break**

11.15 (II) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General- Thematic Priorities

• Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the South Partner Countries regarding the <u>thematic priorities</u> **Morocco** *on site*, **Lebanon** *on site*, **Palestine** *on site*, **and Tunisia** *on site* (10 min each)

12.15 Lunch Break - Group Picture

Moderator: Virgil Ivan- Cucu, EuroMed Justice Coordinator

13.30 (III) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General - Thematic Priorities

• Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the European Union Member States regarding the <u>thematic</u> <u>priorities</u> : **Belgium, Bulgaria, Estonia, France** *on line,* **Greece,** (10 min each)

14.15 (IV) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General - Thematic Priorities

• Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the European Union Member States regarding the <u>thematic</u> <u>priorities</u>: **Italy, Portugal** (on line), **Spain, Sweden** (on line), **The Netherlands**, (10 min each)

15.15 Coffee Break

15.45 (V) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General - Thematic Priorities

- Interventions of the representatives of **Eurojust and EJN** regarding the <u>thematic</u> <u>priorities</u>
- Interventions on line of the representatives of: **DG JUST**, **UNODC**, **UN-CTED**, **CoE**, **IAP**, **CEPOL**, **OSCE**, **INTERPOL**, other EMJ stakeholders
- 16.45 Summary of the discussions and possible Forum Opinions on the thematic priorities *EuroMed Justice PMT*

*** End of the first day of the EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors' General ***

THURSDAY 25 November 2021

08.15 – 08.45 Arrival of participants at Eurojust

Moderator: TBD

09.00 Introduction of the Draft Strategic Documents on countering the trafficking in human beings and the smuggling of migrants within the Mediterranean region and Confiscation of proceeds of crime and assets recovery - *EuroMed Justice Programme Coordinator*

09.10 (VI) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General

• Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the South Partner Countries regarding the <u>Strategic Documents</u> **Algeria** *on site*, **Egypt** *on site*, **Israel** *on site*, **Jordan** *on line* (10 min each)

09.40 (VII) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General

• Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the South Partner Countries regarding the <u>Strategic Documents</u> **Morocco** *on site*, **Lebanon** *on site*, **Palestine** *on site*, **and Tunisia** *on site* (10 min each)

10.15 Coffee Break

10.45 (VIII) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General

• Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the European Union Member States regarding the <u>Strategic</u> <u>Documents</u> **Belgium, Bulgaria, Estonia, France** *on line,* **Greece,** (7 min each)

11.30 **(IX) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General**

 Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the European Union Member States regarding the <u>Strategic</u> <u>Documents</u> Italy, Portugal, (on line), Spain, Sweden (on line) The Netherlands, (7 min each)

12.15 Lunch Break

Moderator: Alexandru FRUNZA-NICOLESCU, EuroMed Justice Legal Officer

13.15 (X) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General

• Interventions of the representatives of **Eurojust** (Mr Boštjan Skrlec, Eurojust Vice-President and National Member of Slovenia) **and EJN** regarding the <u>Strategic</u> <u>Documents</u>

- Interventions of the representatives of: **DG JUST, UNODC, UN-CTED, CoE, IAP, CEPOL, SELEC, OSCE, INTERPOL**, other EMJ stakeholders
- 13.50 **(XI) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General Agreement on** Forum Opinions on the thematic priorities Strategic Documents
- 14.00 **Closure of the 3rd Meeting of the EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors' General**