THE ROLE AND TASKS OF EUROJUST IN THE FIGHT AGAINST ORGANISED CRIME

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OBJECTIVES

- To stimulate and improve *co-ordination* between competent authorities.
- To improve *co-operation* between competent authorities by facilitating the execution of international mutual legal assistance and the implementation of extradition requests (EAW).
- To *support* competent authorities in order to render their investigations more effective.
MEETINGS

▪ Operational Meetings
  - Focus on one specific meeting
  - Level III meeting

▪ Tactical Meetings
  - Focus on specific type of criminality or instrument in general
  - Involves practitioners of the 27 MS specialised in the field, e.g. terrorism, EU legal instruments (EAW, JITs)

▪ Strategic Meetings
  - Focus on specific cases related to the same specific type of criminality, e.g. drug trafficking, THB involving children
  - Involves national authorities dealing with these cases
OPERATIONAL CO-ORDINATION MEETINGS

LEVEL I - meeting

27 National Members

LEVEL II - meeting

Concerned NM’s

LEVEL III - meeting

CONCERNED NAT. MEMBERS + JUDICIAL A/O POLICE AUTHORITIES OF CONCERNED COUNTRIES
Comparative same period 2009-2010

1 January 2009 - 31 May 2009: 595
1 January 2010 - 31 May 2010: 579
Requesting Countries 1 January - 31 May 2010
Priority Crime Types 1 January - 31 May 2010

- Drug Trafficking: 102
- Trafficking in Human Beings: 37
- Terrorism: 13
- Fraud: 75
- Corruption: 14
- Money-laundering and other criminal offence related: 70
- Cybercrime: 13
- Other crimes related to Organised Crime: 78
Number of coordination meetings 2010

- Inside Eurojust 57
- Outside Eurojust 4
- Total 61
Coordination meetings 2010 - Requesting countries

- BE: 3
- BG: 1
- CZ: 1
- DK: 5
- DE: 11
- EE: 0
- EL: 3
- ES: 3
- FR: 7
- IT: 2
- CY: 0
- LV: 0
- LT: 0
- LU: 0
- HU: 1
- MT: 2
- NL: 4
- AT: 3
- PL: 1
- PT: 1
- RO: 0
- SI: 1
- SK: 1
- FI: 1
- SE: 3
- UK: 9
Coordination meetings 2010 - Requested countries
COLLEGE TEAMS

- Presidency
- Casework strategy and performance management
- Counter-terrorism
- Trafficking and related crimes
- Financial and economic crime
- EAW & EEW
- Data protection & EPOC
- Brussels, Council, Commission & EP
- EJN & Liaison magistrates
- Europol
- OLAF
- External relations
- Administrative
NEW EUROJUST DECISION:  
FIVE MAIN AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT

A. Enhancing the operational capabilities of Eurojust
B. Strengthening of Eurojust’s powers
C. Improving the exchange of information
D. Reinforcing cooperation between Eurojust – EJN contact points and national authorities
E. Enhancing relations with privileged partners & third States
FUTURE OF EUROJUST:
LISBON TREATY

- **Article 85 TFEU**
  - Defines Eurojust’s competence
  - Provides for the adoption of a new Regulation redefining EJ’s structure, operation, field of action and tasks.

- **Article 86 TFEU** provides for the creation of an EPPO “from Eurojust” to combat crimes affecting the financial interests of the EU.
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