

DECISION 9/2015/GB

OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE

**ESTABLISHING A WORKING GROUP FOR PREPARING THE  
RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMPILING THE FIVE-YEAR CEPOL EVALUATION  
REPORT**

Adopted by the Governing Board  
By written procedure  
on 09 February 2015

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THE GOVERNING BOARD,

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Having regard to Council Decision 2005/681/JHA of 20 September 2005 as amended<sup>1</sup>, establishing the European Police College (CEPOL) and repealing Decision 2000/820/JHA<sup>(2)</sup> and in particular Article 10(10) thereof;

Whereas:

In accordance with Council Decision 2005/681/JHA and Decision 13/2012/GB laying down the criteria and procedure for the creation and functioning of CEPOL Working Groups and repealing Decisions 10/2007 and 11/2007 of the CEPOL Governing Board, it is for the Governing Board to establish a working group,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The Working Group for preparing the recommendations and compiling the five-year CEPOL evaluation report is hereby established. Its tasks and remit are detailed in the Annex. The Working Group tentative period of operation shall be between September 2015 and February 2016.

*Article 2*

By way of derogation from Title III, Section III.I of Decision 13/2012/GB<sup>3</sup>, the Director of CEPOL is mandated to issue a targeted Call for Nomination of Experts addressed to the five Presidencies of CEPOL as detailed in the Annex.

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<sup>1</sup> Regulation (EU) No 543/2014 (OJ L 163, 29.5.2014, p. 5)

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 256, 1.10.2005, p. 63.

<sup>3</sup> Decision 13/2012/GB of the Governing Board of the European Police College laying down the criteria and procedure for the creation and functioning of CEPOL Working Groups and repealing Decisions 10/2007 and 11/2007 of the CEPOL Governing Board

*Article 3*

This Decision shall take effect on the day following that of its adoption.

Done in Riga, 09 January 2015

*For the Governing Board*

(Signature on file)

*Gatis Švika*  
*Chair of the Governing Board*

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**Annex**

<b>TITLE OF THE WORKING GROUP</b>	Working Group for preparing the recommendations and compiling the five-year CEPOL evaluation report
<b>INITIATORS OF THE WORKING GROUP</b>	<b>CEPOL Director</b>
<b>PURPOSE OF THE WORKING GROUP</b>	<p><i>Reference to the Working Group's specific remit (why shall it be created)</i></p> <p>As per Article 21 of Council Decision 2005/681/JHA of 20 September 2005, as amended<sup>1</sup>, every five years the Governing Board shall commission an independent external evaluation of the implementation of the above Decision as well as of the activities carried out by CEPOL.</p> <p>The purpose of the working group established by this Decision is to prepare the recommendations regarding CEPOL's structure and its working practices (following the external evaluation), and to compile the five-year CEPOL evaluation for adoption by the Governing Board.</p>
<b>RATIONALE OF THE WORKING GROUP</b>	<p><i>Based on Strict Necessity requirement and Art I.II of the GB Decision</i></p> <p>As per the provision of Article 21 of Council Decision 2005/681/JHA of 20 September 2005, as amended, the Governing Board is mandated to commission an independent external evaluation of the implementation of the above Decision as well as of the activities carried out by CEPOL. Additionally, the Governing Board shall receive the evaluation and issue recommendations regarding CEPOL's structure and its working practices to the Commission.</p> <p>The next (second) five year evaluation report will cover the period from 2011 to 2015 and will be combined with an evaluation of the European Police Exchange Programme (EPEP). This is also in line with the Council Conclusions of 26 April 2010 where CEPOL is invited to undertake an evaluation of the EPEP after the initial four-year pilot phase (from 2011 to 2014).</p>
<b>DURATION OF THE WORKING GROUP</b>	<p><i>Expected duration in months with explanation on the length (rationale)</i></p> <p>The Working Group's term shall be six (6) months.</p>
<b>ESTIMATED NUMBER OF MEETING DAYS</b>	<p><i>Estimation for the whole duration of the Working Group</i></p> <p>8 days in total = 2 days (kick off meeting) + 3 days (2nd meeting) + 3 days (3rd meeting)</p>
<b>BUDGET</b>	<p><i>Budget estimation in Euros</i></p> <p>€15,740</p>
<b>SPECIFIC EXPERTISE OF MEMBERS</b>	<p><i>In relation to the purpose (remit) of the Working Group; a description of key required features and specific area of expertise required</i></p> <p>Considering the purpose for which this working group is created, the maximum number of the following competencies shall be</p>

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	<p>required:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sound knowledge of the mandate of the European Police College (CEPOL), its structure and its working practices;</li> <li>2. Sound knowledge of the policy area of Justice and Home Affairs (JHA), particularly in the field of police co-operation;</li> <li>3. Sound knowledge of CEPOL’s stakeholders and other relevant actors;</li> <li>4. Proven experience in the evaluation of projects, preferably of programmes and projects in the field of police training and education programmes;</li> <li>5. Familiarity with the European Institutions’ regulatory and institutional framework;</li> <li>6. Good command of English language.</li> </ol>
<p><b>NUMBER OF EXPERTS REQUIRED</b></p>	<p><i>Reasoning for the number proposed</i></p> <p>The preparation, development and implementation of the second five-year evaluation spans over five presidencies. From the initial presentation of the project during the Hellenic Presidency (May 2014) to issuing the five-year report - which is planned to take place during the Netherlands Presidency (first half of 2016).</p> <p>Given the critical importance of this endeavour, it is recommended that a Working Group comprising all Presidencies involved in this process is established. All five Member States holding the Presidency for this period shall nominate an expert via a targeted Call by way of derogation from the procedure set in Decision 13/2012/GB.</p> <p>The European Commission shall be invited to participate, in line with the last paragraph of Title III, Section III.II of Decision 13/2012/GB.</p>

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<p><b>LINK WITH CEPOL STRATEGY, ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME AND BUDGET</b></p>	<p><i>References to the CEPOL Strategic Goal(s) and Strategic Objective(s), activities in the Annual Work Programme, and Annual Budget</i></p> <p>As it is already foreseen in the adopted Work Programme 2015, the European Council with its Conclusions of 26 April 2010 invited CEPOL to undertake an evaluation of the European Police Exchange Programme (EPEP) after the initial four-year pilot phase (from 2011 to 2014). It has been recommended by the European Commission that this will be included in the general five-year evaluation of CEPOL for the period 2011-2015.</p> <p>The procurement procedure is included in the Financing Decision (Annex VI of the Work Programme 2015) for an estimated value of EUR 100,000.</p>
<p><b>OVERALL OBJECTIVE(S) OF THE WORKING GROUP</b></p>	<p><i>SMART (specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, timely) objective(s)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To review the external evaluation with the aim of forming recommendations regarding CEPOL's structure and its working practices;</li> <li>2. To compile a report that will comprise the external evaluation and the above recommendations with the aim of submitting this report to the Commission and the Council.</li> </ol>
<p><b>EXPECTED RESULTS</b></p>	<p><i>Measurable and quantifiable output(s)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Form recommendations (based on the review of the external evaluation);</li> <li>2. Compile the five-year CEPOL evaluation report that will comprise of the external evaluation and the above recommendations and submit this report to the Governing Board for adoption.</li> </ol>