

DECISION 12/2011/GB  
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE

**WRITTEN PROCEDURE FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF EU POLICE  
OFFICERS TO TWO COURSES ORGANIZED BY THE RUSSIAN MINISTRY  
OF INTERIOR**

Adopted by the Governing Board via written procedure  
on 8 April 2011

THE GOVERNING BOARD,

Having regard to Council Decision 2005/681/JHA (1), and in particular Article 10(9)(d) and 11 (4) (b) thereof;

Having regard to its Decision 07/2011/GB of 23 February 2011 in Basingstoke, United Kingdom, Adopting the CEPOL 2011 Annual Work Plan;

Whereas:

- The CEPOL Secretariat has received an invitation from the Russian Permanent Representation to the European Union, concerning the possibility for EU law enforcement officials to attend two courses, one on UN Peacekeeping Operations (8 participants) and the other one on Organized Crime (5 participants), both to be held in Moscow in the second half of May 2011 (Annex 1 to this Decision);
- The Annual Work Programme does not include participation to these specific activities, which however can be regarded as means to enhance CEPOL networking with Strategic Partners of the European Union;
- The financial contribution of CEPOL shall be limited to the cost of the flight tickets for 13 EU participants, estimated at approximately 13000 Euros
- The CEPOL Presidency has launched a Written Procedure to seek the approval of the Governing Board to allow the disbursement of funds for said purpose (Annex 2);
- 10 Member States have approved the proposal, 7 Member States have voted against it, and 10 did not reply

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*  
*Written Procedure*

Participation to the activities envisaged in Annex 1 to this Decisions are to be intended as being in line with the Annual Work Programme 2011 Section 9 (External Relations) and therefore can be financed by the relevant sections of the CEPOL budget.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 256, 1.10.2005

*Article 2*  
*Entry into force*

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

Done at Budapest, 8 April 2011

*For the Governing Board*

*József BODA*  
*Chair of the Governing Board*

## Eeva Sihvola

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**From:** Eeva Sihvola on behalf of CEPOL Secretariat  
**Sent:** 04 April 2011 08:18  
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**Subject:** FW: Invitation to seminars in Moscow

**From:** Mission of Russia to EU [mailto:misrusce@numericable.be]  
**Sent:** 02 April 2011 10:49  
**To:** Ferenc Banfi  
**Cc:** CEPOL Secretariat  
**Subject:** Invitation to seminars in Moscow

Dear Mr. B anfi,

I have the honour to forward to you an invitation of the Ministry of Interior of the Russian Federation for participation of colleagues from the EU in the following seminars to be held in Moscow:

1. "Advanced training for police officers participating in UN peace-keeping operations".  
The seminar will be organised by All-Russia Advanced Training Institute of the Ministry of Interior of the Russian Federation on 17-23 May 2011 in Moscow.  
8 participants from the EU are invited.
2. "Fight against organised crime: search for new approaches".  
The seminar will be organised by All-Russia Research Institute of the Ministry of Interior of the Russian Federation on 18-21 May 2011 in Moscow.  
5 participants from the EU are invited.

All expenses for participants, except for travel to Moscow and back, will be covered by Russian Ministry of Interior.

We would kindly ask you to send to us not later than by 8 April the following information about participants:

- first name and family name
- date and place of birth
- passport number
- name of employment and position of the participant
- country and name of the city where the participant intends to apply for Russian visa

The formal invitations will be sent out as soon as we have the information about participants.

We would be glad to have EU colleagues at the above seminars.

Thank you in advance.

Looking forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely,

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To: Members of the Governing Board

By: Email only

04 April 2011

Our ref. 11/0146/SF

Dear Members of the Governing Board,

On behalf of the Hungarian Presidency, I am forwarding this request for a Written Procedure.

We have received the below invitation from the Russian PermRep to the European Union. It concerns the possibility for EU law enforcement officials to attend two courses, one on UN Peacekeeping Operations (8 participants) and the other one on Organized Crime (5 participants), both to be held in Moscow in the second half of May. We have requested an extension of the deadline for submission of applications.

This activity is not strictly part of the Annual Work Programme (AWP); however we believe it goes in the direction of enhancing our networking capacity with Strategic Partners as envisaged in the relevant sections of the 2011 AWP under the External Relations chapter.

We are therefore asking for your approval for to utilise the necessary funds out of CEPOL budget.

It is anticipated that the expenditure for this activity will be limited to the cost of purchasing flight tickets for participants, which can be estimated in approximately 13000 Eur.

We would be grateful to receive your feedback by Friday 8 April 2011 c.o.b.; the absence of an answer will be considered as an Assent.

In the meanwhile, a message will be sent to the National Contact Points requesting them to identify suitable participants, pending the finalization of the written procedure.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Secretariat for any further clarification which you may require.

Please send your answers via email to Mrs Eeva Sihvola at [eeva.sihvola@cepol.europa.eu](mailto:eeva.sihvola@cepol.europa.eu) and copy to the Hungarian Presidency Team at [hupresidency@nokitc.hu](mailto:hupresidency@nokitc.hu) and [npi.budapest@nokitc.hu](mailto:npi.budapest@nokitc.hu)

Yours sincerely,



Dr Ferenc Bánfi  
CEPOL Director