

DECISION 41/2012/GB

OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE

**ESTABLISHING THE WORKING GROUP FOR ELABORATION OF THE MASTER  
COURSE “POLICING IN EUROPE”**

Adopted by the Governing Board  
on 13 November 2012

THE GOVERNING BOARD,

Having regard to Council Decision 2005/681/JHA of 20 September 2005 establishing the European Police College (CEPOL) and repealing Decision 2000/820/JHA<sup>(1)</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 Elaboration of the Master Course “Policing in Europe” is hereby established in accordance with Annex agreed by the Governing Board.

*Article 2*

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

Done in Nicosia, 13 November 2012

*For the Governing Board*

Zacharias Chrysostomou  
*Chair of the Governing Board*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 256, 1.10.2005, p. 63.

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**Annex**

<p><b>TITLE OF THE WORKING GROUP</b></p>	<p><i>Reference to the Working Group remit</i></p>	
<p>Title:</p>	<p>Working Group for elaboration of Master Course “Policing in Europe”</p>	
<p><b>INITIATORS OF THE WORKING GROUP</b></p>	<p><b>Member State</b></p>	<p><b>Institution</b></p>
<p>Initiator 1:</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>European Police College</p>
<p>Initiator 2:</p>	<p>Austria</p>	
<p>Initiator 3:</p>	<p>Cyprus</p>	
<p>Initiator 4:</p>	<p>Estonia</p>	
<p>Initiator 5:</p>	<p>Finland</p>	
<p>Initiator 6:</p>	<p>Germany</p>	
<p>Initiator 7:</p>	<p>Ireland</p>	
<p>Initiator 8:</p>	<p>Italy</p>	
<p>Initiator 9:</p>	<p>Poland</p>	
<p>Initiator 10:</p>	<p>Portugal</p>	
<p>Initiator 11:</p>	<p>Romania</p>	
<p><b>PURPOSE OF THE WORKING GROUP</b></p>	<p>CEPOL systematically deals with the Bologna process, high education and with this regard aims to develop and implement Master Course by its network in cooperation with national universities. The working group shall be tasked with development of the comprehensive programme and a budget for the implementation of the programme</p>	
<p><b>RATIONALE OF THE WORKING GROUP</b></p>	<p><i>Based on Strict Necessity requirement and Art I.II of the GB Decision</i></p> <p>Back in 2008 the Governing Board of CEPOL adopted the Annual Work Programme. In the Work Programme the following is stated: “3.1.3 CEPOL-certified Modular Course in International Police Cooperation: In 2008, an intensive, modular course on international police and judicial cooperation will be developed. The content and the methods of the course should be connected to similar courses in national Police Training Institutes or Universities. Therefore cooperation with these National Police Training Institutes and or Universities is necessary.</p> <p>It has to be examined whether this activity shall result in a CEPOL-certificate or even in a “master degree” according to the Bologna criteria”.</p> <p>There is a necessity to accelerate the process, but the CEPOL</p>	

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	<p>Secretariat has neither mandate nor resources to fulfil the task to elaborate a master course programme for accreditation.</p> <p>National institutions have the ability to insure accreditation and implement such a Joint Master Programme. Therefore the active participation of national experts in this programme development is a imperative.</p>
<b>PROPOSED DURATION OF THE WORKING GROUP</b>	<p><i>Expected duration in months with explanation on the length (rationale)</i></p> <p>12 months</p>
<b>ESTIMATED NUMBER OF MEETING DAYS</b>	<p><i>Estimation for the whole duration of the Working Group</i></p> <p>2 meetings of a 4 day duration and one meeting of 2 d = 10 days</p>
<b>TENTATIVE BUDGET</b>	<p><i>Budget estimation in Euros</i></p> <p>€30,000</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>6 educational experts with deep experience and knowledge on accreditation of master courses on national level and 1 budgetary expert assisted by one facilitator will ensure the development. In order to ensure business continuity and the evolvement of the existing development plan together with the proposed agreement between CEPOL and the 3 universities in France, Germany and Spain, it is proposed that the representatives of the current consortium nominate their representatives to the working group. Any additional experts from other Member States should be approved by the Governing Board.</p>
<b>NUMBER OF EXPERTS REQUIRED</b>	<p><i>Reasoning for the number proposed</i></p> <p>3 members of Police Colleges/Academies, 3 members of Universities with content / accreditation knowledge, 1 member with financial expertise and one facilitator from the CEPOL Secretariat.</p>
<b>LINK WITH CEPOL STRATEGY, ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME AND BUDGET</b>	<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>Strategic Goal 1: The CEPOL network functions as a European law enforcement education platform on the highest level of international excellence</p> <p>Strategic Objective 1.6: Quality learning shall be the acknowledged ethos of CEPOL’s reputation and prestige</p> <p>Activity 1.6.1: Accredited masters course in International Police Cooperation as a joint project to be developed and implemented (pilot project)</p>
<b>OVERALL OBJECTIVE(S) OF THE WORKING GROUP</b>	<p><i>SMART (specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, timely) objective(s)</i></p> <p>Elaboration of a comprehensive programme of a Master Course “Policing in Europe”.</p>
<b>EXPECTED RESULTS</b>	<p><i>Measurable and quantifiable output(s)</i></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. A complex programme and budget proposal to be submitted to the Governing Board for its approval within 12 months.</li><li>II. Key elements of the documents are the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) A detailed common curriculum Policing in Europe with the duration of 2 years achieving the level of a Master Degree</li><li>b) Description of the faculty/ies including its academic background, credits, eligibility of teachers, students and administrative procedures</li><li>c) Tentative budget ensuring sustainability of courses up to three or four classes at the same time</li><li>d) Consortium contract and other legal aspects such as issuance of diploma bearing the name of the respective university(s) and CEPOL</li></ul></li></ul>
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