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SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS



Course 09/2024/ONS: Trafficking in human beings - Labour Exploitation

Aim: To enhance the investigation capacity of THB investigators, prosecutors, and labour inspectors on labour exploitation. To reinforce the cooperation between law enforcement and labour inspectorates by demonstrating successful examples of a multi-agency approach by means of concrete case studies.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement officials, prosecutors specialised in labour exploitation (26 funded by CEPOL), as well as labour inspectors (10-12 funded and arranged by ELA).	11 November – 15 November	Cyprus

Level: advanced practitioner

Organiser: Cyprus Police, in cooperation with ELA

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

DRUG TRAFFICKING



Course 14/2024/ONS: Combatting drug production crimes (through a virtual reality application)

Aim: To increase law enforcement capacity in tackling illicit international drug production by virtual reality (VR) exercises, ensuring safe and secure crime scene investigations.

Usage of VR tools allows to deliver training in any location at any time.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement officials, forensic experts and representatives from judicial authorities directly involved in investigating drug production crime and dismantling illicit drug production laboratories, predominantly synthetic drug facilities.	29 October- 01 November	The Netherlands

Level: practitioner

Organiser: CEPOL in cooperation with The Netherlands

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

DRUG TRAFFICKING



Course 16/2024/ONS: Illicit drug laboratories dismantling: Follow-up

Aim: To refresh and deepen knowledge and understanding of methods of detecting and dismantling illicit drug laboratories and to be able to work more independently during crime scene investigations of these sites.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement officers, including customs officials as well as forensic experts and representatives from judicial authorities directly involved in investigating and dismantling illicit drug production laboratories, predominantly synthetic drug facilities. They should be dealing with this phenomenon on a regular basis and have successfully finished the two-week course on Illicit Laboratory Dismantling - advanced in 2023 (or in exceptional cases earlier).	15 October – 18 October	Belgium

Level: advanced practitioner

Organiser: CEPOL, Europol and General Directorate of Resources Management and Information – DGR (Belgium)

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

DRUG TRAFFICKING



Course 17/2024/ONS: Drug trafficking methods: Mail and postal parcels

Aim: To improve the detection of drugs smuggled by means of mail deliveries, with a view to reinforcing risk analysis and investigative procedures. To enhance the impact of law enforcement response on criminal activities abusing postal/courier services.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement officers, including police and customs, directly involved in the control and risk assessment process, detection and investigation of cases related to drug trafficking via mail and parcel systems.	24 September– 27 September	Belgium

Level: practitioner

Organiser: General Directorate of Resources Management and Information – DGR (Belgium), and the Police Academy of the Netherlands

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

ORGANISED PROPERTY CRIME



Course 19/2024/ONS: Organised property crime

Aim: To improve the fight against organised property crime by ensuring the recognition of this phenomenon as a form of organised crime. To improve the efficiency of prevention, detection, intelligence collection, investigation and other law enforcement operations linked to OPC. This year’s course will have a special focus on stolen vehicles.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Experienced law enforcement officials dealing with organised property crime on a cross-border scale, including its prevention. (27 participants from EU Member States and 3 officers from Albania, Moldova and Georgia are to be invited. The participation of these 3 officers will be fully financed by CEPOL in this activity).	25 November – 29 November	Austria

Level: practitioner

Organiser: Security Academy of the Federal Ministry of Interior – SIAK (Austria)

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

HIGH-RISK CRIMINAL NETWORKS



Course 03/2024/ONS: High risk criminal networks – Outlaw motorcycle gangs

Aim: To improve the disruption of outlaw motorcycle gangs (OMCGs) in the EU by exchanging knowledge on criminal modus operandi and investigative practices. To promote the use of special investigative techniques and international cooperation in the area.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement officers engaged in investigations countering international outlaw motorcycle gangs.	04 November- 08 November	Italy

Level: practitioner/advanced practitioner

Organiser: International University School (Italy)

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

HIGH-RISK CRIMINAL NETWORKS



Course 72/2024/ONS: Investigating and preventing corruption

Aim: To improve law enforcement capacity in the fight against corruption by exchanging knowledge and good practices on effective anti-corruption measures, targeting and detecting the forms, manifestations and main actors of corruption and using the international tools for prevention, investigation and prosecution.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement officers (26 funded by CEPOL) and prosecutors/judges (10-12 funded by the EJTN) specialised in the investigation of corruption, implementation of anti-corruption measures and the deployment of preventive instruments.	25 November – 29 November	Italy

Level: practitioner/advanced practitioner

Organiser: Economic and Financial School (Italy), in cooperation with EJTN

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

HIGH-RISK CRIMINAL NETWORKS



Course 75/2024/ONS: Administrative approach to counter organised crime groups (OCGs)

Aim: To address emerging needs of EU MS by improving the counteraction against Organised Crime Groups (OCGs) by enhancing the capabilities of Law Enforcement Officials (LEOs) to prevent serious and organised crime through the administrative approach, its tools and its benefits. The course will focus on moving from the preventive measures of the Italian system to an international perspective, with more emphasis on the possibilities of international cooperation, comparative analysis, and cross-border exchange of operational information within administrative procedures.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Senior Law Enforcement Officials, judges and prosecutors dealing with crime prevention and the tackling of serious and organised crime.	05 November – 08 November	Italy

Level: practitioner/advanced practitioner

Organiser: CEPOL in cooperation with Interagency Law Enforcement Academy of Advanced Studies (Italy)

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

OTHER CRIME AREAS (*)



Course 76/2024/ONS: European Operational Team (EOT)

Aim: To address emerging needs of the EU MS by improving the fight against transnational OCGs with links to the Iberian Peninsula and the islands, which also has an impact on other EU and non-EU countries, by building the capacity of operational international police cooperation of at least twenty countries/entities, which are members of the EOT or other interested countries/entities, which may be potential future members of the EOT.

Two identical training sessions will be organised in October (see below dates).

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law Enforcement officials and prosecutors specialising in the fight against transnational organised crime groups, with a particular focus on drug trafficking.	08 October- 11 October	Spain
Level: practitioner/advanced practitioner	15 October- 18 October	

Organiser: CEPOL, in cooperation with Commissariat General de Policia Judicial UDYCO Central / National Police of Spain

() Drug and firearms trafficking; High-Risk Criminal Networks (HRCN)*

COUNTER-TERRORISM
RADICALISATION AND EXTREMISM *Implemented by CEPOL Knowledge Centre*



Course 45/2024/ONS: Insider Threat

Aim: To fight radicalisation within law enforcement by strengthening the awareness and management of polarisation within law enforcement and to enhance detection and appropriate responses to radicalisation within law enforcement teams.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law Enforcement officials, middle management in the EU Member States, associated (non-EU Schengen countries) and candidate countries.	18 November – 22 November	Czech Republic

Level: advanced practitioner (middle managers)

Organiser: CEPOL

COUNTER-TERRORISM
OPEN SOURCE INTELLIGENCE IN COUNTER-TERRORISM *Implemented by CEPOL Knowledge Centre*



Course 43/2024/ONS: Train-the-trainers in open source intelligence (OSINT) in counter-terrorism

Aim: To enhance the training capacities on the use of OSINT for counter-terrorism investigations and to improve online intelligence collection in qualitative and quantitative terms. To train OSINT experts (future trainers) to carry out national OSINT training and to convey knowledge and develop skills for law enforcement officials.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement officials, counter-terrorism investigators/analysts and trainers with at least three years of experience in the use of open-source intelligence tools in counter-terrorism investigations.	25 November- 29 November	Italy

Level: train the trainer

Organiser: CEPOL

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

VICTIM PROTECTION AND VICTIMS' RIGHTS



Course 48/2024/ONS: Victim Protection

Aim: To enhance the capacity of law enforcement authorities to assist and protect the victims of crimes.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement officials dealing with and supporting victims of crimes in the context of their daily work or specialisation.	01 October- 04 October	Poland

Level: practitioner/advanced practitioner

Organiser: The Police School in Pila

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

HATE CRIME, RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION



Course 47/2024/ONS: Hate Crime

Aim: To enhance the police response to hate crime as a specific form of delinquency with special motives, as well as an identifiable social and psychological basis. To encourage the use of specific investigation methods and law enforcement cooperation in the field of hate crime.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement officials and specialists responsible for tackling hate crime and online hate speech.	01 October – 04 October	Greece

Level: practitioner/advanced practitioner

Organiser: Hellenic Police Academy (Greece)

LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION, INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND INTEROPERABILITY

SCHENGEN INFORMATION SYSTEM (SIS)

Implemented by CEPOL Knowledge Centre



Course 51/2024/ONS: SIRENE II

Aim: To improve the operational cooperation between national competent authorities, such as border guards, the police, customs authorities, immigration authorities and, in particular, the SIRENE Bureaux in their efforts of maintaining a high level of security within the area of freedom, security and justice of the Union.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Experienced SIRENE operators with a sound knowledge of the new legal framework and operational practice, including national procedures.	01 October – 04 October	Cyprus

Level: advanced practitioner

Organiser: CEPOL, in cooperation with the European Commission and eu-LISA

LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION, INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND INTEROPERABILITY

INTEROPERABILITY COMPONENTS AND TOOLS

Implemented by CEPOL Knowledge Centre



Course 49/2024/ONS: EU information systems - Interoperability

Aim: To transfer the relevant knowledge for the purpose of improvement of the use of the interoperability components by strengthening the knowledge of officials on the scope of interoperability, the nature of the interoperability components and delivery, their limits, and the fundamental rights safeguards.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Practitioners coming from law enforcement agencies, in particular police, border/coast/maritime, immigration services, visa authorities; customs, the judicial community.	11 November – 15 November	Malta

Level: awareness/practitioner

ISO 29993 course

Organiser: CEPOL

LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION, INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND INTEROPERABILITY

JOINT INVESTIGATION TEAMS (JITs)



Seminar 55/2024/ONS: Joint Investigation Team – Implementation

Aim: To improve the use and effectiveness of Joint Investigation Teams (JITs) by enhancing the competencies and deepen the understanding of law enforcement officers on the set-up, functioning, management, funding and evaluation of Joint Investigation Teams.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement officers (26 funded by CEPOL) and judges/prosecutors (15-17 funded by the EJTN).	02 September-06 September	Germany

Level: practitioner/advanced practitioner

Activity will follow the ISO 29993 standards

Organiser: National Police College - ENSP (France) and the Academy of European Law - ERA (Germany), in cooperation with EJTN, Eurojust, Europol and the JITs experts' network secretariat

LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION, INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND INTEROPERABILITY

OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION, INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND INTEROPERABILITY REGULATION

Implemented by CEPOL Knowledge Centre



Course 52/2024/ONS: Schengen evaluation – Internal security measures

Aim: To support the implementation of the Schengen evaluation and monitoring mechanism (SEMM) established under Council Regulation (EU) 2022/922 while promoting the conduct of objective and comprehensive evaluation visits and to provide experts with a sound knowledge of evaluation principles, procedures, and techniques for Schengen evaluation visits in the fields of law enforcement cooperation and large-scale IT systems.

Target audience	Dates	Location
The target group of the initial training is experts in the fields of law enforcement cooperation and large-scale IT systems (SIS/SIRENE), with adequate and fresh (three to five years) experience and knowledge, as well as willingness and potential to engage in future evaluation visits. Experts should have comprehensive experience working with the Schengen Information System (SIS), in particular in the N.SIS Office or in the SIRENE Bureau or working in the field of law enforcement cooperation (cross-border police cooperation, SPOCs, PCCCs, cooperation with Europol, EMPACT) at the strategic and/or operational level. They should also have a solid and in-depth knowledge of legal, procedural, operational and technical aspects of the respective policy field as well as a sound knowledge of the core EU legislation in the field of the Schengen acquis.	30 September-04 October	Slovenia

The experts participating in the training and accomplishing this training (including mandatory final test) successfully, will be certified and appointed in the pool of experts for the year following the training. Successful trainees will receive the Schengen Evaluator's Certificate from the European Commission.

Level: expert

Organiser: CEPOL, in cooperation with the European Commission

LEADERSHIP, TRAINING AND OTHER SKILLS

TRAIN-THE-TRAINERS

Course 58/2024/ONS: Train the trainers – Step 2

Aim: To improve the effectiveness and the quality of CEPOL training activities, and law enforcement training in the EU Member States by preparing law enforcement practitioners and/or trainers in using modern training design and delivery methods and in applying blended learning techniques.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law Enforcement practitioners with a vast knowledge and practical experience in the prevention of and the cross-border fight against serious and organised crime, terrorism and emerging security threats; and/or trainers, lecturers, educational experts in the above-mentioned areas, who wish to be future CEPOL and national trainers/experts in the respective areas of its training portfolio and to increase their competences towards training, group work in a multicultural but also national training/working environment.	02 September-06 September	Lithuania

Selected participants of this course will need to be available to deliver training sessions at CEPOL training activities in 2025 on the prevention of and the cross-border fight against serious and organised crime, terrorism, and emerging security threats.

Level: advanced practitioner/train the trainer

ISO 29993 activity

Organiser: CEPOL

PUBLIC ORDER AND PREVENTION

PUBLIC ORDER



Course 62/2024/ONS: Pan-European football security

Aim: To enhance safety and security during football matches with an international dimension within Europe by increasing the effectiveness and harmonisation of the policing such events.

Note: A practical part within an international match (timetables published in the European and Champions League) should be a part of the programme, if feasible.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Police football commanders/NFIP contacts/football intelligence officers (commanders – silver and gold level, intelligence officers, spotters – monitors).	18 November – 22 November	Romania

Level: advanced practitioner/expert

Organiser: Directorate General for Human Resources Management -- Ministry of Home Affairs (Romania)

LAW ENFORCEMENT TECHNIQUES, FORENSICS AND SPECIFIC AREAS

OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT TECHNOLOGIES/SPECIFIC AREAS



Course 64/2024/ONS: Forensics - Emerging Technologies

Aim: To enhance the efficiency of investigations and prosecutions by the use of state-of-the-art forensic processes. To support forensic case management by new technological solutions such as nanoscience, nanotechnology, artificial intelligence and biometrics.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Forensic experts dealing with innovative methods of analysis and statistical interpretation.	21 October – 25 October	Luxembourg

Level: practitioner/advanced practitioner

Organiser: Grand Ducal Police (Luxembourg), in cooperation with ENFSI

LAW ENFORCEMENT TECHNIQUES, FORENSICS AND SPECIFIC AREAS

OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT TECHNOLOGIES/SPECIFIC AREAS



Course 71/2024/ONS: Undercover operations

Aim: To improve the fight against organised crime by the better exploitation of undercover operations and techniques to tackle cross-border crime.

Target audience	Dates	Location
Law enforcement practitioners possessing at least three years of experience in managing or performing undercover operations and techniques.	19 November- 22 November	Italy

Level: practitioner

Organiser: International University School (Italy)

ANNEX

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

CEPOL	European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training
EJTN	European Judicial Training Network
ELA	European Labour Authority
EMPACT	European Multidisciplinary Platform Against Criminal Threats
ENFSI	European Network of Forensic Science Institutes
EOT	European Operational Team
EU	European Union
eu-LISA	European Union Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice
EU MS	EU Member States
Europol	European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation
HRCN	High-Risk Criminal Networks
ISO	International Organisation for Standardisation
JIT	Joint Investigation Team
LEO	Law Enforcement Official
NFIP	National Football Information Points
N.SIS	National SIS
OCG	Organised Crime Group
OMCG	Outlaw Motorcycle Gang
ONS	Onsite activity
OPC	Organised Property Crime
OSINT	Open Source Intelligence
PCCC	Police Customs Cooperation Centres
SEMM	Schengen Evaluation and Monitoring Mechanism
SIRENE	Supplementary Information Request at the National Entries
SIS	Schengen Information System
SPOC	Single Point of Contact
THB	Trafficking in Human Beings
VR	Virtual Reality