

DECISION 08/2015/GB
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE
**FURTHER CONTINUATION OF THE
CEPOL EUROPEAN POLICE SCIENCE AND RESEARCH BULLETIN**

Adopted by the Governing Board

On 06 February 2015

by written procedure

THE GOVERNING BOARD,

Having regard to the Council Decision 2005/681/JHA of 20 September 2005 establishing the European Police College (CEPOL) (¹), and in particular Article 7 (d) thereof;

Having regard to the 12th CEPOL Governing Board, taking note of the efforts to develop a Research and Science Bulletin (²);

Having regard to the 22nd CEPOL Governing Board, and GB Decision 48/2010, approving the continuation of the CEPOL European Police Science and Research Bulletin

Having regard to Decision 42/2012/GB on Establishing the Working Group on the Implementation and Evaluation of CEPOL Research and Science Activities For Knowledge Transfer and setting the task for further conceptualisation and production of the Bulletin (³)

Whereas:

- (1) It is for the Governing Board to approve the further continuation of the *European Police Science and Research Bulletin* as a research-related product, supporting CEPOL core business and strategic aims;
- (2) So far eleven issues of The *European Police Science and Research Bulletin* have been published and proposals were made to allow for further successful development of the periodical on the European and global market;
- (3) The editorial work has been done by members of research and science related CEPOL working groups, which are not in place for 2015,
- (4) CEPOL needs to assign necessary funds in CEPOL's annual budget for supporting the editorial work and publication;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

¹ OJ L 256, 1.10.2005. p.63

² OoP 12th Governing Board (May 2008), item 10.5

³ See Overall objective(s) of the working group.

The Governing Board approves the further continuation of the publication of the *European Police Science and Research Bulletin* (“Bulletin”) by CEPOL. The Bulletin serves CEPOL’s initial task “to disseminate research findings and best practice” in the field of police science.

Article 2

The European Police Science and Research Bulletin is published by CEPOL. Responsible for publication, including adherence to the editorial policy (Annex I) is the CEPOL Director. The editorial work is performed by a “Bulletin Editorial Board” according to the rules, regulations and guidelines laid out in this decision and its annexes.

Article 3

Issues of the European Police Science and Research Bulletin shall be published online and in (limited) printed edition at least twice a year, without prejudice to special numbers dealing with specific problems or events. The publication language is English.

Article 4

The editorial work is performed by a “Bulletin Editorial Board” according to the rules, regulations and guidelines laid out in this decision and its annexes. The Bulletin Editorial Board shall consist of not less than three editors. For special issues, one or two guest-editors can be invited. The members shall be experienced in editorial work and shall be appointed for a two year period and no more than two consecutive terms. In case an editor will withdraw before the end of term, he or she shall be replaced by the next in line on the nomination reserve list.

Article 5

The members of the “Bulletin Editorial Board” shall be nominated and selected from applicants from the CEPOL member states, answering a call for nomination issued by the Director.

The members of the editorial board are selected by the Director following an assessment of their competencies (see Annex II).

Article 6

The editorial board members pursue their task complementarily. While performing their daily business with the support of online facilities, they are entitled to be

invited to a one full-day meeting at CEPOL headquarter for each of the prospective issues for publication.

Article 7

The production of the Bulletin issues and their online and print publication is supported by agency staff assigned by the Director and is done in cooperation with the Publication Office of the Commission.

Article 8

The necessary expenses for the meetings of the Bulletin editorial board and the production of each issue online and in print are covered by the CEPOL annual budget (see Annex III for an estimate).

Done in Riga, 06 February 2015

For the Governing Board
Gatis Švika

(Signature on file)

Chair of the Governing Board

Editorial Policy of the EUROPEAN POLICE SCIENCE AND RESEARCH BULLETIN

1 Purpose & Scope

The “European Police Science and Research Bulletin” (*Bulletin*) is established as an official electronic and printed periodical of the European Police College (CEPOL) for the purpose of

- facilitating the distribution of research findings and good practice
- supporting a European approach to the main problems facing Member States in the fight against crime, crime prevention and the maintenance of law and order and public security
- promoting a European approach to scientific research on law enforcement matters / police science
- optimising cooperation between CEPOL’s various components in particular in the field of science and research.

2. Contributions

The European Police Science and Research Bulletin is an official periodical of the European Police College (CEPOL) under the responsibility of the Director aiming at disseminating police, policing, security and justice research findings and good practices. Contributions addressing any European or international cooperation issue concerning police, policing, security and justice are welcomed and will have publication priority.

Main article contributions can have a theoretical, empirical or descriptive nature and can address:

- policing, crime prevention and investigation, security and criminal justice theories or practices relevant for cross-national criminal judicial, policing and security cooperation;

- brief description of methodology and main results of recently finalized or ongoing cross-national research projects in the field of police, policing or security and criminal justice research.

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Other contributions containing concise reviews or information on the following are also welcomed:

- recent books, articles or monographs on police, policing, security and criminal justice research;
- police, policing, security and criminal justice research centers operating in member states and CEPOL's cooperation partners;
- funding opportunities for police, policing, security and criminal justice science and research projects or calls for partners for such projects;
- forthcoming international science and research conferences, seminars, symposia or courses on police, policing, security and justice;
- outcomes of activities organized by, or involving, CEPOL or other relevant European Agencies.

Contributions addressing only local, regional or national issues will not be considered nor accepted unless they include a discussion on implications for other Member, Associate or Partner States. Contributions addressing any theory, methodology or discussion that violates the European Convention on Human Rights, the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union or the European Code of Police Ethics will be refused.

All contributions must comply with the stipulations of the "Submission Guidelines" and authors have to submit a disclaimer, both available for download from the CEPOL website.

3. Target Group & Dissemination

The *Bulletin* is produced to serve the growing community of law enforcement practitioners, police training and education staff and university research experts, having a professional interest in the area of police science, especially from a European perspective.

New and published issues of the *Bulletin* shall be available publicly for download through the dedicated publication area of CEPOL's website (www.cepola.europa.eu). A limited print edition should be disseminated mainly to libraries or documentation centres of national police colleges, universities, as well as of relevant other research institutions and universities.

The ISSN assigned to the Bulletin is: 1831-1857

4. Editorial Procedures

The editorial board will issue regularly a call for submissions. All submissions and correspondence will be directed to the dedicated functional email box research.bulletin@cepol.europa.eu and responded to by one of the editorial board members. Main articles, if suitable, are forwarded for anonymous scientific peer review to external experts, invited from CEPOL network of police colleges, academies and universities. Each issue will list, in alphabetical order, the name, job title, institutional affiliation and contact of the involved reviewers.

The editorial team informs the relevant National Contact Point of a contribution from the respective country accepted for publication.

The submission guidelines will be reviewed by the editorial board on an annual basis to keep in line with good practice publication standards and technical developments.

5. Copyright Notice & Reproduction

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Nomination of members of the editorial board of the European Police Science and Research Bulletin

1. Editorial Board of the Bulletin

The Editorial Board shall consist of at least three editors, nominated for a term of two years and no more than two consecutive terms. The Director of CEPOL shall launch a call for nominations at least three months before the end of the term of the previous Editorial Board to all Member States. Only applicants fitting the required profile and with sufficient time and work capacity granted by their institution shall apply.

2. Required Profile & Assessment Criteria

Applicants shall have the following experience and knowledge:

- a) advanced knowledge on the structure and functioning of the European Union, European law enforcement agencies and instruments and CEPOL (to be awarded a maximum of 20 points);
- b) prior experience in an editorial role of police or law enforcement journals, bulletins or magazines (to be awarded a maximum of 40 points);
- c) experience as law enforcement teachers, trainers or researchers (to be awarded a maximum of 20 points);
- d) very good command of the English language (to be awarded a maximum of 20 points).

Applications shall be made through the National Contact Points and a national rotation principle shall be in force, assuring that a Member State shall not have a nominated editor for more than two consecutive terms. The agency shall collect, evaluate and rank the applications taking into account expertise and the rotation principle. Three applicants with the highest scores shall be nominated as editors by the CEPOL Director. Other candidates will be placed on a reserve list. In case of withdrawal of an individual member, a replacement should be nominated from a reserve list, if applicable.



Budgetary implications

The publication of the European Police Science and Research Bulletin is connected with two posts for expenses: meetings of the editorial board and printing of paper copies and their distribution. The following estimations are done on the base of 2014 price quotations.

Costs for meetings (per meeting):

Meals and Accommodation				
	No of Units	Unit Cost	No of Days	Total EUROS
Accommodation including breakfast	3	100.00	2.0	€ 600.00
Lunch	3	6.50	1.0	€ 19.50
Dinner	6	20.00	2.0	€ 240.00
Refreshments in room	4	10.00	1.0	€ 40.00
				€ 0.00
				€ 899.50
Transport Budget Line:				
Taxis	(2x2) 4	26.00		€ 104.00
Flight Costs Budget line:				
Return flights	3	400.00		€ 1,200.00
				€
Estimated Totals				2,203.50

The costs for two meetings in respect to regular issues per annum (safety margin included): **approx. 4500 EUR**

Meetings for Special Editions maybe higher in proportion to additional invited guest-editors, in case they do not substitute for a regular editor.

Costs for print and distribution (for regular issues, based on 500 copies print run):

Cost estimate for Bulletin print and distribution			
Printing			
	No of Units	Unit Cost	Sub Total
Set of printrun (printplates, calibration) as fixed costs	1	840.00	840.00
print cost per copy	500	0.60	300.00
Distribution		Budget line:	
	No of Units	Unit Cost	Sub Total
Mailing, Packing, Handling	500.00	1.88	940.00
Per normal size Bulletin issue			Total
			2,080.00

Estimated cost for two printed and distributed Bulletin issues per annum (including safety margin): **4250 EUR.**

Annual budgetary costs for two regular issues of the European Police Science and Research Bulletin:

Ca. 8.750 EUR.

Costs for special issues (e.g. for CEPOL conferences or other activities), will have to be calculated based on the particular requirements and circumstances.