Decision of the Management Board 22/2020/MB

ADOPTING OF THE UPDATED CONTENT DESCRIPTION OF THE ONLINE MODULE EUROPOL AND REPEALING DECISION 34/2017/MB

Adopted by the Management Board

on 12 August 2020

THE MANAGEMENT BOARD,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2015/2219 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL) and replacing and repealing Council Decision 2005/681/JHA[1], and in particular Article 9(1)(s) thereof,

Having regard to the Management Board Decision 34/2017/MB adopting the Content Description of the Online Learning Module Europol,

Having regard to the list of training activities planned for 2020[2];

Whereas:

(1)   The steps to be taken and matching responsibilities in the development of the online learning modules are based on Governing Board Decisions 2/2009/GB and 18/2010/GB.

(2)   CEPOL Organisational Unit at Europol has been involved in the final validation of the content of the online learning module.

(4)   The update of the online module content on Europol was planned to take place in 2020. This has been set in the list of training activities for 2020.

(4)   It is for the Management Board on the basis of Article 9(1)(s) of Regulation (EU) 2015/2219 of the European Parliament and of the Council to adopt the content descriptions of the online learning modules.

(5)   Therefore, there is a need to repeal Decision 34/2017/MB adopting the existing content description of the Online Learning Module on Europol;

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

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[1] OJ L319, 4.12.2015, p.1.
[2] See quality document LI PLAN 001-1: List of training activities for 2020

Article 1

1. The Content Description of the Online Learning Module Europol as detailed in the Annex to this Decision is hereby adopted.
2. Decision 34/2017/MB is hereby repealed.

Article 2

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

Done at Lisbon, on 13 August 2020

For the Management Board
<< Signature on file>>
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Mr José Leitao
Chair of the Management Board

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A. Product Breakdown Structure

The Product Breakdown Structure (PBS) represents the content of the *Europol* module as it is set up in the online learning environment. Key sections of the PBS are displayed below, covering the online learning module's topics of the Knowledge Landscape and the keywords.

Europol Knowledge Landscape:

1. Introduction
2. Governance and Management
3. Operational Support
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B. Elaboration of the Content – Knowledge Landscape

The module was developed for all law enforcement officials working in, or otherwise interested in, the area of international cooperation. It aims to raise awareness about Europol and what it does, and especially about the products and services it provides to support law enforcement authorities in the Member States. The module aims in particular at informing law enforcement officials about Europol's capabilities regarding expertise, analysis and information exchange.

This module focuses primarily on the three main roles of Europol, namely providing support and expertise, information exchange and crime analysis. This takes up all the module but the first two chapters – with the introduction and Chapter 2 on Europol's governance and management.

Chapters 3 to 11 deal with the different aspects and areas of Europol's expertise and support that are provided through its tools and services. Chapter 12 focuses on information exchange and management, and Chapters 13 and 14 discuss the products and services that Europol provides on criminal analysis.

In more detail, the remaining chapters are: 2. Governance and Management: This chapter covers the general mechanisms and responsibilities that underpin Europol's governance, data protection responsibilities and its working relationships with its partners. 3. Operational Support: This chapter introduces the support and expertise that Europol provides to ongoing investigations and operations in the Member States. It also covers Europol's operations departments (centres) and the support it offers for joint investigation teams (JITs). 4. Crime Domain Support: Counterfeiting and Forgery: This chapter covers the technical assistance and information (technical and statistical) provided on criminal activities involving counterfeit euros, payment cards and forged documents. 5. Crime Domain Support: Cybercrime: This chapter discusses the knowledge and tools provided to combat cybercrime. 6. Crime Domain Support: Drugs: This chapter covers the knowledge and tools provided to combat illicit activities involving drugs, including synthetic drugs, cannabis, cocaine and heroin. 7. Crime Domain Support: Terrorism: This chapter covers the knowledge and tools provided to combat terrorism, including chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (CBRN) materials and explosives. 8. Crime Domain Support: Operational Financial Intelligence: This chapter discusses Europol's expertise and tools relating to the investigation of money laundering and asset recovery. It is the first of the two 'horizontal' areas of expertise and support – areas which can be deployed in all three of Europol's areas of competence: serious and organised crime, terrorism and cybercrime. 9. Crime Domain Support: Special Tactics: This chapter covers a range of specialist law enforcement techniques that can be deployed in combating serious and organised crime, terrorism and cybercrime. 10. Support On-The-Spot: Europol deploys experts, analysts and specialists on-the-spot to support ongoing investigations and operations in Member States. This chapter describes the various products and services which can be used by these Europol staff at a crime scene or other locations, including the deployment of the mobile office. 11. Mechanisms (Additional Expertise): This chapter looks at the support provided by Europol at EU and international levels. This includes its contribution to the creation of the EU Policy Cycle and the implementation of the identified strategies through the EMPACT projects. It also covers Europol's role in providing advice and developing relationships with non-EU countries. 12. Information Exchange and Management: This chapter covers Europol's infrastructure for effectively processing and storing information and intelligence, including several systems: EAS, SIENA, EIS and EPE. 13. Strategic Analysis: Europol provides a wide range of reports which assist decision-makers to identify specific crime priorities and effective strategies. These include threat assessments like the SOCTA, IOCTA and TE-SAT, situational reports and intelligence notifications. 14. Operational Analysis: Europol provides operational intelligence analysis support for ongoing investigations and operations and gives clear directions to the operational team. This support takes place within the framework of an operational analysis project (AP) and takes the form of a wide range of reports, including cross-match reports and operational reports.

C. Diagnostic Self Evaluation: Test my knowledge

Users can test their own knowledge on *Europol* at any time while using the online module through the test my knowledge sections of the module. Test items are pooled according to the topics of the knowledge landscape. A random selection of the items will be offered to users every time they decide to take the self-test for each of the individual topics. Based on the outcomes of the self-test, users will receive feedback and reflection possibilities, which enable them to increase their further professionalisation in the domain of the module.

D. Glossary

The keywords and acronyms from individual chapters are listed together (in alphabetical order) in the online module and are provided to the user to aid navigation through the material.

Annex I

Europol
Online Module Content

(The content of the module will be made **available only** in a restricted area in
CEPOL's LEEd),