

**Decision of the Management Board 31/2017/MB**

**Adopting of the updated Content Description of the Online Module**

**EU Policy Cycle for Organised and Serious Crime**

**Adopted by the Management Board**

**On 30 October 2017**

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<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 9(1)(t) thereof,

Having regard to the Management Board Decision 06/2016/MB Adopting the Single Programming Document: Years 2017-2019;

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) The content of the module was updated by experts appointed with the Executive Director's Decision 25/2017/DIR.
- (3) CEPOL National Units have been involved in the final validation of the updated content of the online learning module through the dissemination to National Experts for reviewing purposes.
- (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.

*Article 1*

HAS ADOPTED the updated Content Description of the Updated Online Learning Module on EU Policy Cycle for Organised and Serious Crime as detailed in the Annex of this Decision.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L319, 4.12.2015, p.1.

*Article 2*

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

Done in Vienna, 03 November 2017

*For the Management Board*

*<Signature on file>*

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*Mr. Norbert Leitner*  
*Chair of the Management Board*

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#### A. Product Breakdown Structure

The Product Breakdown Structure (PBS) represents the updated content of the *EU Policy Cycle for Organised and Serious Crime* as it is set up in the online learning module. Key sections of the PBS are displayed below, covering the updated online learning module's topics of the EU Policy Cycle for *Organised and Serious Crime* Knowledge Landscape associated elements (i.e. glossary, abbreviations, key documents).

#### *EU Policy Cycle for Organised and Serious Crime* Knowledge Landscape:

1. Introduction
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## **B. Content update history - Elaboration of the Content – Knowledge Landscape**

The module was first developed and launched online on CEPOL's Learning Management System in 2014. Since then the content has received minor updates to update key documents and information in text.

The current update is a comprehensive revision and update of the previous version, which aims to provide readers with a broad understanding of the EU Policy Cycle, including an overview of the main players involved, the key steps in the planning and implementation cycle, and the means by which the operational activity to counter the threat from organised and serious international crime will be delivered, managed and evaluated. It is aimed at individuals who contribute to one or more parts of the EU Policy Cycle, and to law enforcement officials involved or interested in cross-border operations, international cooperation, and raising awareness and training at national level.

Chapter 1 introduces the content of the module while Chapters 2 and 3 provide the theoretical background of the EU Policy Framework and the actors involved in its production and implementation. The next two chapters (4 & 5) focus on SOCTA and its role in EU crime priority identification. Chapters 6 and 7 are dedicated to MASPs and OAs followed by a final chapter on the reporting, monitoring and evaluation of the EU Policy Cycle.

Where appropriate, within a chapter, hyperlinks to other chapters are provided, as well as links to external sources, freely accessible on the web, which are also listed at the end of each chapter. Users can see the version history of the content, the objectives and target audience while they share and rate the content itself.

## **C. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

A short list of Frequently Asked Questions and their answers is displayed in a separate section of the module to address commonly expressed questions or requests for information from national LE officers.

## **D. Abbreviations and Glossary**

As the subject area of EU Policy Cycle makes extended use of acronyms and abbreviations, a list of them has been added to a separate section of the module, while the Glossary section addresses in alphabetical order the keywords from all chapters.

## **E. Key Documents**

This section lists the most relevant documents for the EU Policy Cycle (with their reference numbers) which are classified as 'public'.

## **F. Diagnostic Self Evaluation: My progress**

Users can test their own knowledge on *EU Policy Cycle for Organised and Serious Crime* at any time while using the online module through the My Progress section of the module. Test items, in the form of True/False questions, are pooled according to the recurring 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 professionalization in the domain of the module.

**Annex II – 31/2017/MB**

***EU Policy Cycle for Organised and Serious Crime Online Module Content***

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