

**Decision of the Management Board 23/2017/MB**

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

**Adopted by the Management Board**

**on 6 September 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 18/2017/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 Schengen as detailed in the Annex of this Decision.

*Article 2*

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

Done in Vienna, 12 September 2017

*For the Management Board*

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

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

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### **A. Product Breakdown Structure**

The Product Breakdown Structure (PBS) represents the updated content of the *Schengen* online module 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 Schengen Knowledge Landscape and the keywords.

#### *Schengen* Knowledge Landscape:

1. Introduction
2. EU Area of Freedom, Security and Justice
3. Schengen Acquis
4. Police Cooperation: Information Exchange
5. Police Cooperation: Cross-Border Operations
6. Bilateral and Multilateral Agreements and Cooperation Centres
7. SIS/SIRENE
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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 2011. Since then the content was updated in 2013 to reflect new developments on the second generation of the Schengen Information System (SIS II). Since its first launch, the aim of the module has been to provide a stand-alone learning resource for police and law enforcement officers within Europe who, due to their work context, cooperate with colleagues from another EU Member State or associated country.

The current update is a comprehensive revision and update of the previous versions, which aims to give users a broad understanding of the background and operation of the Schengen Agreement from a law enforcement perspective.

Chapter 1 introduces the content of the module while Chapters 2 and 3 cover the policies and legislation that underpin Schengen. These are followed by seven chapters (4-10) dedicated to describing the compensatory measures that are supported by

Schengen legislation or by bilateral and multilateral treaties. The final two chapters (11-12) cover issues that are relevant to Schengen as a whole, namely data protection and the mechanism for evaluating Schengen.

Where appropriate, within a chapter, hyperlinks to other chapters are provided and at the end of each chapter a list of external links to relevant resources, freely accessible on the web, is displayed. Users have the possibility to share content with colleagues, post comments and rate the content itself.

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

Users can test their own knowledge on *Schengen* 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.

### **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.

## ***Schengen Online Module Content***

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