



91/2015

**ORGANISED CRIME GROUPS BEHIND
ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION**

-
WESTERN BALKANS FOCUS

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Budapest, Hungary**



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About the course

The challenges posed by the current migration pressure call for a concerted and coordinated approach by the Law Enforcement and Border Control Agencies of the Member States, together with their counterparts in transit countries and with the JHA Agencies Europol, Eurojust, EASO and Frontex.

CEPOL - European Police College has amended its Annual Work Programme 2015 in order to include a migration training offer of four residential activities to be implemented between the end of January and the beginning of March 2016. The content of the four activities will focus on migration management and countering illegal migration. The general aim is to make sure that a significant number of key actors who are deployed or will be deployed at external borders and along the migration routes will enhance their knowledge on the EU common policies and strategies, with the expected result that knowledge gained will improve their performance, supervision role and actions in the field of migration.

Residential activity 91/2015 puts the focus on migrant smuggling in the Western Balkans region. The activity intends to contribute to foster a genuine European law enforcement culture and equip the participants with tools and competences in order to disrupt international crime networks involved in migrant smuggling.

With the establishment of new tools and mechanisms, the Commission also intends to improve the exchange of information and the cooperation between the EU agencies and national law enforcement agencies operating at the frontline, both in transit and destination countries. JOTs, Operational Centres for coordinated actions, a better use of large scale IT systems for the detection of illegal immigrants and terrorist fighters, financial investigations and individual debriefings are some of the many European initiatives to counter migrant smuggling. Residential activity 91/2015 proposes a practical approach including table top exercises on a scenario mirroring a real-life pan-European investigation on migrant smuggling, to make sure that law enforcement officials participating in the training will be able to make use of appropriate tools available in given situations.

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Monday 29 February 2016

19:00 Arrival of the Participants
Dinner at the Hotel

Tuesday 1 March 2016

08:45 - 09:15 Official opening
Ferenc Banfi (Director CEPOL)
Programme and logistics

09:15 - 10:00 **Session 1 - presentation**
Latest phenomena in the Balkan region and the operational response
Szabolcs Csonka (FRONTEX)

10:00 - 10:15 Break

10:15 - 11:00 **Session 2 - presentation**
Debriefing of migrants/ collection of information for the support of criminal investigations
Szabolcs Csonka (FRONTEX)

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee break + group photo

11:30 - 12:30 **Session 3 - presentation**
The collection, exchange and analysis of information in South Eastern Europe, the example of JOTs, Joo, JADs
Giovanni Santoro (EMPACT Driver)



Tuesday 1 March 2016

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

13.30 - 14:15 **Session 4 - presentation**
Presentation of the scenario
Attila Stümmer (Hungary)

14:15 - 15:00 **Session 5 - workshop**
Workshop 1 - Subject: Information/arrest
Task: What, when to report to whom ? + debriefing

15:00 - 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 - 16:15 **Session 6 - presentation**
Support by Europol
Gabor Sztankovics (EUROPOL)

16:15 - 17:00 **Session 7 - presentation**
Workshop 2 - Presentation on the use of databases at EU-wide/international level
(SIS, Interpol, Early Warning Messages)
Veerle Claerhout (COMMISSION) and Innocentia APOVO (INTERPOL)

17:00 - 19.00 Free time

19:00 Dinner at the Hotel

Wednesday 2 March 2016

09:00 - 09:45 Session 8 - workshop

Workshop 2 - Subject: Receiving info and enforcing the data

Task: What to do with the information and how to proceed with the data?

09:45 - 10:45 Session 9 - presentation

Support for financial investigations on money transfers

Ricardas Pocius (Western Union Global)

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 - 12:30 Session 10 - workshop

Workshop 3 - preparation of the Operational Meeting at Europol

How to present the case, funding and logistics

12:00 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30 - 14:15 Session 11 - presentation

Operational Meeting at Europol

Role Play and debriefing



Wednesday 2 March 2016

**14:15 - 15:00 Session 12 - presentation
Support by Eurojust**

15:00 - 15:30 Coffee break

**15:30 - 16:45 Session 13 - workshop
Workshop 4 -Preparation of the coordination meeting at Eurojust**

**16:45 - 17:30 Session 14 - plenary
Coordination meeting at Eurojust
Role Play and debriefing**

17:30 - 19.00 Free time

19:00 Farewell dinner at Restaurant



Thursday 3 March 2016

09:00 - 09:45 **Session 15 - presentation**
Presentation of the Kasmir case
Gabor Balogh (Hungary)

09:45 - 10:45 **Session 16 - presentation**
Presentation of the Pandorf case

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 - 12:30 Evaluation
Certificates and Closing

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

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