



DECISION 31/2010/GB  
OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE  
**AUTHORISING THE DIRECTOR TO CONCLUDE  
A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH  
THE CROATIAN POLICE COLLEGE**

Adopted by the Governing Board  
on 25 May 2010

THE GOVERNING BOARD,

Having regard to Council Decision 2005/681/JHA <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 8(3) thereof;

Whereas:

- (1) The Governing Board authorised the Director to negotiate a cooperation agreement with the Croatian Police College during its meeting 17<sup>th</sup> meeting held in Kolmården, Sweden on 6-7 October 2009.
- (2) The negotiations of a cooperation agreement between the Croatian Police College and the European Police College (hereinafter referred to as "CEPOL") have been finalised.

HAS AUTHORISED the Director to conclude the cooperation agreement with the Croatian Police College as in Annex 1.

Done at Barcelona, 25 May 2010

*For the Governing Board*

*Francisco del Barrio  
Chair of the Governing Board*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 256, 1.10.2005, p. 63

**A COOPERATION AGREEMENT**

**Between**

**European Police College  
(CEPOL)**

**and**

**THE CROATIAN POLICE COLLEGE**

## **AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CROATIAN POLICE COLLEGE AND THE EUROPEAN POLICE COLLEGE**

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The Croatian Police College, and the European Police College, hereafter referred to as CEPOL,

- being aware of the mutual interest to enhance the effectiveness of the police forces in the fight against crime, especially cross-border crime, in Europe by conducting common trainings for senior police officers to increase knowledge of national police systems, of European co-operation instruments and mechanisms, as well as of a wide range of specific subjects, such as counter-terrorism, trafficking in narcotics and organised crime, illegal immigration and border control or trafficking in human beings;

- having regard to the Council Decision 2005/681/JHA of 20 September 2005 (hereafter referred to as Council Decision) establishing CEPOL, and in particular to Art. 8 thereof;

- having regard to all decisions made by the CEPOL Governing Board including the adoption of a Policy Paper on external relations,

- have agreed as follows:

### **Art. 1 Purpose of the Agreement**

The purpose of this Agreement is to define the relations between the Croatian Police College and CEPOL and to establish the arrangements necessary for the facilitated co-operation between the Croatian Police College and CEPOL.

### **Art. 2 Areas of co-operation**

The co-operation as established in this Agreement shall

- a) clarify the modalities of participation of the Croatian Police College in the Working Group Meetings;
- b) allow the participation of Croatian Senior Police Officers in CEPOL training sessions;
- c) define possible supporting activities of the Croatian Police College in the organisation of CEPOL training courses;

- d) further harmonise standards on police training with regard to cross-border co-operation between police forces
- e) enhance the exchange of best practices and grant the Croatian Police College access to the electronic network,
- f) determine the costs to be met by the Croatian Police College and by CEPOL; and
- g) indicate the Croatian national contact point

### **Art. 3 Status of the Croatian Police College**

The Croatian Police College shall be invited to send a representative to attend the External relations Working Group meetings for as long as Croatia has the status of Candidate Country or becomes an acceding country.

CEPOL meetings may be organised in Croatia; costs for such meetings will be reimbursed by CEPOL, according to its rules.

### **Art. 4 Participation in training courses**

Senior police officers of Croatia may participate in the training courses provided by CEPOL.

In case costs for participation of Croatian trainees in the training courses are charged, they shall be indicated in the registration form and covered by the Croatian participants.

### **Art. 5 Support for training activities of CEPOL**

The Croatian Police College may contribute to CEPOL training courses by supporting EU-Member Countries organising a CEPOL training course including to provide police experts for CEPOL training courses upon request.

Any costs incurred directly or indirectly for services provided by the Croatian Police College in supporting training activities of CEPOL shall be reimbursed by CEPOL according to its rules.

### **Art. 6 Harmonised standards on police training**

The Croatian Police College shall support the development and implementation of common curricula as set out in Art. 7 of the Council Decision and may integrate these into the national training programmes to the extent possible and necessary.

**Art. 7 Exchange of best practices and senior police or training Officers**

The Croatian Police College and CEPOL shall exchange best practices and research findings.

Relevant exchanges and secondments of police officers and/or senior training staff members shall be facilitated.

Continuous dialogue and exchange of best practices shall be enhanced by granting the Croatian Police College access to the electronic network of CEPOL. The Croatian Police College shall be part of the CEPOL e-net.

**Art. 8 Croatian National contact point**

The Croatian Police College acts as the Croatian national contact point for the areas of co-operation with CEPOL.

**Art. 9 Amendment of the Agreement**

The Croatian Police College or CEPOL may propose to each other to amend this Agreement. Amendments to this Agreement shall enter into force after the respective internal procedures have been completed.

**Art. 10 Termination of the Agreement**

This Agreement may be terminated by each party with 6 months' notice.

**Art 11 Entry into force**

This Agreement will enter into force three months after its signature.

**Done at:**

<p>This ..... day of ..... .....</p> <p>in duplicate in the English language.</p> <p><b>SIGNATURE</b></p>	<p>This ..... day of ..... .....</p> <p>in duplicate in the English language.</p> <p><b>SIGNATURE</b></p>
<p><b>For European Police College</b></p>	<p><b>For the Croatian Police College</b></p>