

Objective

This seminar will present the latest developments at EU and national level in the fight against organised crime, in particular the involvement of organised crime groups in financial and economic criminality. It will focus on national case law, international cooperation and confiscation of crime proceeds.

Key topics

- The new EU directive on confiscation
- Criminal law responses against organised crime involvement in counterfeiting and smuggling of goods in the EU
- Intelligence-gathering and cooperation with the private sector

Speakers and chairs

Corina Badea, Course Director, Academy of European Law, Trier

Erik Barnett, Director of European Policy for Homeland Security Investigations, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, US Embassy, Brussels

Salvatore Catania, Head of Tobacco & Counterfeit Goods Unit, Investigations Directorate, European Antifraud Office, European Commission, Brussels

Wendy De Bondt, Assistant for International and European Criminal Law, Ghent University, Institute for International Research on Criminal Policy, Ghent

Bérengère Dreno, Specialist, Criminal Finances and Technology Unit, Europol, The Hague

Sylvie Petit-Leclair, National Member for France, Eurojust, The Hague (*invited*)

Monica Pop, Chief Prosecutor – IPR Crimes, General Prosecutor's Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice, Bucharest

Gianfranco Scarfò, Prosecutor, Antimafia Prosecution Office, Naples

David Touvet, Deputy Chief Prosecutor Inter Regional Specialised Court (JIRS), former French liaison magistrate to the Netherlands, Nancy

Aled Williams, former liaison magistrate, former President of Eurojust, London

Who should attend?

Judges, prosecutors, law enforcement, other national and EU officials active in the detection and combat of organised crime.

Methodology

The programme will offer a mixture of training methods, varying from lectures to interactive workshops.

Seminar fee and reimbursement

The project is co-financed by the European Commission under the "Prevention of and fight against crime" programme (ISEC 2011).

Seminar fee including documentation & meals
* 2 nights accommodation
* travel reimbursement

€105

General conditions

2 nights accommodation (30-31 January 2013) will be reimbursed by ERA up to € 90 / night. Participants from Trier and Luxembourg region are not eligible for accommodation reimbursement.

Special conditions

For judges and prosecutors (30 places available) travel costs will be reimbursed (up to € 400).

Registration

The number of places for the seminar is limited. The places will be allocated among the eligible applicants on a first-come, first-served basis.

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ORGANISED CRIME IN THE EU: CASES, TRENDS AND TOOLS FOCUS ON:

- COUNTERFEITING & SMUGGLING OF GOODS
- CONFISCATION OF CRIME PROCEEDS

Trier, 31 January - 1 February 2013

ERA Conference Centre
Metzer Allee 4, Trier, Germany

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Corina Badea, ERA

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(simultaneous interpretation)

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Thursday, 31 January 2013

- 09:00 Arrival and registration of participants
- 09:30 Welcome words
Corina Badea
- I. COMBATTING ORGANISED CRIME AT EU AND NATIONAL LEVELS**
Chair: Aled Williams
- 09:45 Chair introduction
Aled Williams
- 10:00 The EU perspective: serious organised crime on the agenda of Eurojust
Sylvie Petit-Leclair
- 10:30 Discussion
- 10:45 Coffee break
- 11:15 National perspectives:
- The experience of Romania – organised crime and cigarette smuggling
Monica Pop
- The experience of Italy – organised crime and counterfeiting
Gianfranco Scarfò
- The experience of France
David Touvet
- 12:30 Discussion
- 13:00 Lunch

II. CONFISCATION AND ASSET RECOVERY

Chair: Corina Badea

- 14:00 The new EU directive on confiscation: content, state of play, key challenges
- 14:30 International cooperation and exchange of information in asset recovery
- 15:00 Discussion
- 15:30 Coffee break
- III. INTELLIGENCE GATHERING AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR**
Chair: Corina Badea
- 16:00 The Europol perspective on trends, tools and law enforcement cooperation on organised crime: examples of successful cooperation with private industries
Bérengère Dreno
- 16:30 U.S.-EU cooperation in combatting smuggling and counterfeiting
Erik Barnett
- 17:00 Information exchange and cooperation with the private sector
Salvatore Catania
- 17:30 Discussion
- 18:00 End of first day
- 20:00 Wine-tasting and dinner

Friday, 1 February 2013

IV. WORKSHOPS

09:30 INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGAINST ORGANISED CRIME IN PRACTICE

Two workshops will run in parallel, one in English and one in French, dealing with the application of EU mutual recognition and mutual legal assistance instruments.

*Wendy De Bondt
David Touvet*

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 Plenary debriefing

*Chair: Corina Badea
Wendy De Bondt & David Touvet,*

12:30 End of the seminar and light lunch

Programme may be subject to amendment.
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