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The European law Enforcement Training Scheme: Building capacity and culture in European law enforcement

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Introduction

The EU's internal security needs are constantly evolving, resulting in increasing demands on police forces and law enforcement officers. The right skills and the right strengths will be critical to meet future challenges and safeguard the security of Europe's citizens. Transnational crime can only be countered by cross-border cooperation, with police, customs, border guards and other authorities working together. Unless those authorities are properly trained, and unless there is sufficient mutual trust, such cooperation will not be effective. Therefore, the Stockholm Programme called for stepping up training on EU-related issues and making them systematically accessible for all relevant law enforcement professionals.

The European Commission proposed in March to establish a *European Law Enforcement Training Scheme* (COM(2013)0172). The Training Scheme seeks to identify and address gaps in existing law enforcement training on cross-border matters by supporting and coordinating the delivery of training by European and national centres of excellence. It is meant to apply to law enforcement officials of all ranks (police officers, border guards, customs officers and prosecutors), build upon existing training at national and EU level and be offered through modern learning tools, such as specialised courses, common curricula, web-based learning materials, and exchange programmes.

This Hearing is intended to look at key elements of the Training Scheme, its benefits, and the challenges and opportunities that it will bring to those tasked with providing law enforcement training. The aim is to stimulate the discussion on how the Training Scheme can contribute to a common EU law enforcement culture and make the EU's response to common security challenges more effective.

Order of business

- 16.00 - 16.05** **OPENING**
- Mme **Véronique MATHIEU**, Member of the LIBE Committee,
CEPOL Rapporteur
- 16.05 - 16.15** **The merits of a European Law Enforcement Training Scheme**
- Mr **Reinhard PRIEBE**, Director for Internal Security, DG HOME,
European Commission
- 16.15 - 16.25** **The role of the European Police College in strengthening capacity and culture**
- Mr **Detlef SCHRÖDER**, Deputy Director and Head of Learning,
Science, Research and Development Department, European Police
College (CEPOL)
- 16.25 - 16.35** **The view from national training institutes**
- Mr **Eduardo BOROBIO LÉON**, Cabinet of Studies and Coordination,
Secretariat of State for Security, Ministry of Interior, Spain
- 16.35 - 17.05** **Collaboration between law enforcement communities for effective integrated training**
- European sectoral qualifications framework**
Mr **Henrik WÄRNHJELM**, Head of Training Unit, Frontex
- Fundamental rights training**
Ms **Aydan IYIGÜNGÖR**, Programme Manager, Freedoms and
Justice Department, Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA)
- The role of Europol**
Ms **Sabine MANKE**, Senior Specialist, EUROPOL
- 17.05 - 18.00** **Q&A**