Press release

Special committee on organised crime in the EU: membership

Plenary sessions

The membership of a special committee to investigate organised crime, corruption and money laundering, and recommend measures to tackle them, was approved by Parliament on Thursday. The committee will have a one-year mandate and is to start work by the end of April 2012.

Misappropriation of public funds, infiltration of the public sector, and contamination of the legal economy and financial system are some of the key threats posed by criminal organisations in the EU.

Within the time limit of its mandate, the committee is to evaluate the extent of organised crime's impact on the EU economy and society and recommend legislative and other measures to enable the EU to respond to these threats at international, European and national levels.

MEPs to hear judges, victims, civil society bodies and institutions

The committee, with a one year mandate extendable once, will have the power to make on site visits and hold hearings with EU and national institutions from all over the world.

MEPs may invite representatives of business and civil society and victims' organisations, and officials, including judges, involved in the daily fight against organised crime, corruption and money laundering.

Next steps

The special committee is to start work by the end of April this year.

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Procedure: Rule 184 (setting-up of special committee)

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