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### Part 1:

Elaboration of the CrimEx documents on EuroMed judicial and law enforcement cooperation in criminal matters: the Gaps Analysis, the Legal Analysis, the updated EuroMed Fiches and the Handbook.

### Part 2:

Debating National Platforms: exploring the potential to coordinate national responses to transnational crime.

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## Participants

CrimEx Members

### Part 1 – CrimEx documents - Objectives (8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> May):

1. On the 8<sup>th</sup> of May, the 2<sup>nd</sup> CrimEx Session will discuss the reports and the evolution of the **Gaps** and **Legal Analyses** and the updates of the **EuroMed Fiches** carried out in the intersessional activity as recommended by the 1<sup>st</sup> CrimEx and based on the input received from the SPCs.
2. The short-term experts (STEs) will present the draft reports on the above-mentioned documents to CrimEx members for comments and inputs. Representatives of Eurojust, EJM in criminal matters and from other international organisations are invited to present their comments.
3. The objectives of the following day, the 9<sup>th</sup> of May, of the 2<sup>nd</sup> CrimEx session:
  - a. Based on the main conclusions of the Gaps and Legal Analyses, to decide the best practices and experiences on the measures to improve cross-border cooperation in criminal matters.
  - b. Exchange of views between the STEs, CrimEx, Eurojust, EJM, other international organisations.

- c. Give **main indications** for the elaboration of the **Handbook** on cooperation in criminal matters such as:
  - i. The Manual or Handbook complements the Legal and the Gaps Analyses.
  - ii. The Manual or Handbook on EuroMed judicial and law enforcement cooperation in criminal matters should identify and recommend measures to improve cross-border cooperation, South-South and North-South.
  - iii. The Handbook is designed to be used by central and other competent national judicial authorities, the criminal justice practitioners, including lawyers, investigators, judges and prosecutors who are involved in international legal assistance.
  - iv. The Handbook should offer practical step-by-step suggestions on how to initiate and follow through on the processes of cross-border cooperation as a requesting State and how to respond to, execute and follow up on incoming requests when representing the interests of a requested State.
  - v. The Handbook should contain summaries, case studies and quotes from authors who are leading practitioners and the best practices from organisations specialised in the field of international cooperation in criminal matters.
- d. Plan the intersessional activities (following the agreed procedure) during which the STEs will continue the work and consult with CrimEx members and all other stakeholders on the CrimEx docs' final drafts.

## Part 2 – National Platforms - Objectives (10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> May):

1. During one day, **10<sup>th</sup> of May**, the participants, supported by Eurojust, EJM, UN (UNODC, CTED) and other international organisations, are invited to debate the challenges and best practices on **a holistic national response to transitional crime**. The CrimEx will discuss and reflect on the creation of national platforms/mechanisms/centres/poles to facilitate strategic and operational development, information sharing and enhanced coordination among the range of national actors involved in activities that contribute to fighting cross-border crime. CrimEx members should be central to the national platforms.
  - a. CrimEx members will:
    - i. Identify the challenges and the gaps;
    - ii. Promote the exchange of experiences;
    - iii. Obtain best practices;
    - iv. Provide practical regional inputs and mechanisms to the elaboration of recommendations for the creation of national platforms/mechanisms/centres/poles to facilitate strategic and operational development, information sharing and enhanced coordination among the national actors involved in fighting crime.

2. On 11<sup>th</sup> of May the participants will:
  - a. Elaborate the main steps/the roadmap for the creation of the national platforms/mechanisms/centres/poles;
  - b. Conclusions and recommendations on the above-mentioned points.
3. A debate will be held in order to encourage participants to identify possible regional needs to be covered by the TAF.

## Methodology

4. Starting from the introductory documentation prepared in advance and the presentations made by the EuroMed Justice key experts, EU and international experts, and based on the input received from the SPCs, this **interactive** CrimEx Session will **discuss, debate** and **decide** on:
  - the draft/outline of the Legal analysis;
  - the draft/outline of the Gaps analysis;
  - the update of the EuroMed Fiches.

CrimEx members shall give **main indications** for the elaboration of the **Handbook**.

Elaborate the main steps/the **roadmap** for the creation of the national platforms/mechanisms/centres/poles.

## Experts

- EU Agencies and International Organisations:
  - Eurojust: *Mr. Antonio CLUNY*, Portugal National Member, External Relations Team
  - European Judicial Network in criminal matters: *Mr. Luis Francisco DE JORGE MESAS* - Liaison Magistrate for Spain to the Kingdom of Morocco
  - UN - CTED: *Ms Nicole EL-KHOURY*, Legal Officer, United Nations, New York
- EuroMed Justice Key Experts:
  - *Mrs. Victoria PALAU* - Team Leader (FIIAPP - Spain)
  - *Mr. Virgil IVAN-CUCU* - Capacity Building (EIPA - Luxembourg)
  - *Mrs. Dania SAMOUL* - Coordinator (FIIAPP - Spain)
- EuroMed Police Tem Leader:
  - *Mr. Michel QUILLÉ*

- EU and SPCs Experts:
  - The Netherlands: *Mr. Guillaume FRANSSEN*, Assistant Public Prosecutor, Public Prosecution Service;
  - Spain:
    - *Mrs. Rosa Ana MORÁN MARTÍNEZ*, Chief Prosecutor/Head of the International Cooperation Unit;
    - *Mr. Miguel CARMONA RUANO*, Liaison Magistrate for Spain to the United Kingdom;
    - *Mr. David MAYOR FERNANDEZ*, Senior Public Prosecutor, Gipuzkoa Regional Public Prosecutor's Office;
  - Egypt: *Mohamed BADAR*, Associate Professor, Northumbria University (UK);
  - United Kingdom: *Mr. Daniel SUTER*, Specialist Prosecutor Organised Crime, UK National Crime Agency.

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## Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – PART 1. CrimEx documents

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### 09.30 **Opening and Welcome**

- PMT introduction of the session
- Approval of 1st CrimEx Session conclusions and report
- CrimEx Presidium rotation

### 09.45 **Presentation by the short-term experts of the reports regarding:**

- 1) Legal Analysis: *Mr. Daniel SUTER*, Specialist Prosecutor (UK) and Professor *Mohamed BADAR* (Egypt/UK)
- 2) Gaps Analysis: *Mr. David MAYOR FERNANDEZ*, Prosecutor (ES)
- 3) EuroMed Fiches: *Mr. Guillaume FRANSSSEN*, Prosecutor (NL)

### 10.45 *Coffee Break*

### 11.15 **CrimEx debates (1) - Tour de table:**

- SPCs' interventions, proposals and amendments regarding the CrimEx analytical documents. Representatives of Eurojust, EJM and from other international organisations are invited to present their comments.

### 13.15 *Lunch Break- EIPA buffet*

14.15 **CrimEx debates (2)** – continuation of the SPCs' interventions, proposals and amendments of Eurojust, EJM and from other international organisations.

### 15.15 *Coffee Break*

15.45 **CrimEx debates (3)** – presentation by the short-term experts of the recommendations and observations extracted during the CrimEx debates on:

- Legal analysis – 10 min
- Gaps Analysis – 10 min
- EuroMed Fiches – 10 min

CrimEx discussions and agreement on the recommendations and planning of the intersessional work and the calendar.

### 17.00 **End of the first day**

## Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – PART 1. Handbook

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09.30 PMT Introduction of the topic

09.45 **Presentation of the Handbook outline by the short-term experts**

- *Mr. Daniel SUTER*, Specialist Prosecutor (UK)
- *Professor Mohamed BADAR* (Egypt/UK)

10.15 **CrimEx debates (4) Tour de table:** SPCs' interventions regarding the identification of best practices, experiences and possible measures to improve cross-border cooperation in criminal matters, both South-South and North-South.

1. Algeria, 3. Egypt, 3. Israel, 4. Jordan

11.30 *Coffee Break*

11.50 **CrimEx debates (5) Tour de Table,** SPCs' interventions (*Continuation*)

5. Morocco, 6. Palestine, 7. Tunisia

13.15 *Lunch Break – Hotel Derlon Restaurant*

14.30 **EU agencies and international organisations' interventions** regarding the identification of best practices, experiences and possible measures to improve cross-border cooperation in criminal matters, North-South.

- Eurojust
- EJM
- UN-CTED

15.30 *Coffee Break*

15.45 **CrimEx debates (6) –** presentation/summary by the short-term experts of the recommendations and observations extracted during the CrimEx debates on the Handbook.

- Discussions and agreement on the recommendations
- Planning of the intersessional work on the Handbook.
- EuroMed Justice Website and restricted area for criminal matters.

17.00 **End of the second day**

## Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – PART 2. National Platforms

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09.30 PMT introduction of the topic

09.45 **National platforms of cooperation - a holistic national response to transnational crime. Presentation of the EU MS experiences.**

- Spain: *Mrs. Rosa Ana MORÁN MARTÍNEZ*, Chief Prosecutor/Head of the International Cooperation Unit;
- The Netherlands: *Mr. Guillaume FRANSSSEN*, Assistant Public Prosecutor;
- *Mr. Miguel CARMONA RUANO*, Liaison Magistrate for Spain to the United Kingdom.

11.15 *Coffee Break*

11.45 **National platforms of cooperation - Presentation of the EU agencies and international organisations experiences.**

- Eurojust National Coordination System and its role in coordinating the work of national authorities
- EJM in criminal matters National Correspondent and Contact Points
- UN – CTED

13.00 *Lunch Break – EIPA buffet*

14.00 **National platforms of cooperation - a holistic national response to transnational crime. Presentation of National Reports. (1)** SPCs will present their positions regarding the creation of the national judicial and law enforcement platforms of coordination.

- Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan

15.00 **National platforms of cooperation- a holistic national response to transitional crime. Presentation of National Reports. (2) (Continuation)**

- Morocco, Palestine, Tunisia

16.00 *Coffee Break*

16.20 **CrimEx debates (7) - National Platforms** discussion to:

- Identify the challenges and the gaps;
- Promote the exchange of experiences;
- Obtain best practices;
- Inputs to the elaboration of recommendations – roadmap for the creation of national platforms/mechanisms/centres/poles to facilitate strategic and operational sharing of information and coordination among the national actors involved in fighting crime.

17.15 **End of the third day**



## Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – PART 2. National Platforms

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09.30 Presentation by the national experts, with the support of the PMT, of the recommendations and observations extracted during the CrimEx debates on the national platforms.

### 10.00 **CrimEx debates (8) - National Platforms**

- CrimEx members, experts and participants' comments and interventions;
- Drafting the main steps/the roadmap for the creation of the national platforms/mechanisms/centres/poles.

### 11.00 *Coffee Break*

### 11.30 **CrimEx debates (9) - National Platforms (Continuation)**

- CrimEx members and participants' comments and interventions;
- Drafting the main steps/the roadmap for the creation of the national platforms/mechanisms/centres/poles.

Finalising the drafting of the Roadmap for the creation of national platforms of cooperation

### 12.30 *Lunch Break - Hotel Derlon Restaurant*

### 13.45 **CrimEx debates (10)**

- Identification of the quantitative and qualitative indicators and/or statistical data for the evaluation and monitoring. Follow-up discussion from CrimEx Session 1.
- Preparations for the 3rd CrimEx Session - intersessional workings

14.45 **CrimEx debate (11)** to encourage the identification of possible regional needs to be covered by the Technical Assistance Facility (TAF).

- Closing remarks by the CrimEx members and experts
- Closing remarks by the PMT

### 16.00 **End of the 2<sup>nd</sup> CrimEx Session**

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