

#### **High-level-Meeting**



### Cooperation Network for the Western Balkan Region

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#### **IPA Multi-Beneficiary Programme**

- Instrument for Pre-Accession
- 2012-2013
- International Law enforcement and Judicial cooperation in the Fight against Organised Crime and Corruption

Sources: Mrs. Cortese presentation from the last working-level-meeting in Sept. 2011



#### Year 2012

Reinforcement of regional and international cooperation in **witness protection** as a measure to combat organised crime (international relocation of witnesses in cases related to organised crime).

#### Year 2013

Consolidation of existing international judicial and law enforcement cooperation mechanisms in the region (Prosecutors' Network and the International Law Enforcement Cooperation Units; enhancement of mutual legal assistance; improvement of data protection)



- IPA 2012 Witness Protection Programme
- Project Title: WINPRO II
- Amount: approx EUR 7 million
- Project Purpose: Strengthen institutional capacity of the Witness Protection Units and other public bodies responsible in the Beneficiaries for the protection of witnesses and different agencies of justice (police, justice, NGO's)
- Implementation Mode: Direct Grant Contract



### IPA 2013 - International Law Enforcement Cooperation in Criminal Justice

#### Regional and international cooperation

- Improve strategic and operational cooperation with EU agencies and international organisations
- Support the enlargement countries to meet conditions to operational agreements with Europol
- Support, closer operational cooperation with EU-MS
- Reinforce cooperation between ILECUs on regional level
- Strengthen cooperation between ILECUs and national authorities and organisations, especially the judiciary (inter agency cooperation)



#### IPA 2013 - International Law Enforcement Cooperation in Criminal Justice (other planned projects)

- Exchange of information and communication technology
- Anti-corruption
- Investigation processes and procedures



# Strategic goals of the EU-Council of the EU (17.10.2011)

#### **Priority A (Westafrica)**

- Drugs
- Network of liaison officers
- Cordination of the EU-activities
- Border control, hot spots
- Operations and investigations
- Anti-corruption



#### **Priority B (Westbalkan)**

- Information-desks, intelligence, investigations (Europol), **Organised Crime!**
- Trans-border operations (JIT-light), investigations (EUagencies)
- Support for the law and enforcement and prosecution (Eurojust)
- Criminal money flows
- Financial and technical support (*Network Western Balkans*) (co-ordination and support partnership-building for activities)
- **Anti-corruption**



- Prioity C (illegal immigration)
- Frontex and Europol co-operation
- Border-control, risk analysis
- Fight against smuggling of minors (children)
- Information exchange and investigations and strategy on high-level, police justice, border police and financial police



#### Priority D (Synthetic drugs)

- Fight against smuggling of chemical products and precursors
- Profiling system, warning system, monitoring of new psychoactive substances
- co-operation, training programme via CEPOL and other platforms and agencies



- **Priority E (Container Programme)**
- Enhance the security of the EU ports
- Develop common standards
- Technical support for detection illegal goods in container
- Information board and exchange
- Strenghtening the multi-agencies



- Priority F (trafficking in human beings)
- Prioritise of the joint investigations in the EU-MS
- Prevention
- Protection of victims, particular attention for children
- Financial investigations
- Fight against criminal groups involved in trafficking of children (suspects and victims)



#### Priority G (mobile organized crime group)

- Develop and maintain an EU-intelligence picture (report)
- Better instruments for identification and localisation of groups
- Multi-disicplinary and pro-active approach
- Money flows, remove criminal illegal assets
- Support for transborder investigations and co-operation of the prosecution



#### Priority H (cyber-crime)

- Establishment of common standards
- Building up of capacities to detect, investigate and prosecute cybercrime
- Faster reaction, networking of agencies in cases of cyber attacks and IT security
- Dismantling and disruption of criminal botnets
- Raise security in cyberspace building public-private partnerships (prevention and security)
- Reporting system in each EU-MS on cyber incidents



Thank you for your attention!

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