

Outline of Ms De Bolle intervention - "Reporting on Europol activities from September 2018 to February 2019"

- Europol Strategy 2020 +: In December 2018, Europol Management Board endorsed the Europol Strategy 2020 +. The latter revolves around the following strategic priorities:
 - o To be the EU criminal information hub;
 - To deliver agile operational support;
 - o To be a platform for European policing solutions;
 - o To be at the forefront of law enforcement innovation and research; and
 - To be the model EU law enforcement organisation, with robust;
 performance, good governance and accountability, promoting diversity
 and staff engagement.
- Budgetary and resources perspectives:
 - Updates from the 2019 budgetary procedure. Outcome of the EU budgetary procedure and impact on Europol 2019 activities. Brief presentation of Europol forecast for 2020.
 - o EU Multiannual Financial framework 2021-27: EU Long term investments in the area of security and related budgetary forecasts are defined in the MFF 2021-27, including Europol.
- Interagency cooperation. Coordination and strategic cooperation with other EU agencies is a key aspect of Europol's activity.
 - During the reporting period, Europol has further enhanced interagency cooperation with key EU agencies, as Frontex. For instance, with the latter, Europol had a Joint Management Board meeting, last October.
 - As of 1st January 2019, Europol has the chairmanship of the JHA Agencies network. A brief outline of the Europol chairmanship priorities will be presented.
- Operational updates (main operations supported by Europol during the reporting period and other operational developments).

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- Future strategic challenges: 2019 will present a number of challenges, such as
 - o Implementation of the Interoperability agenda;
 - o Europol developments in the areas of tackling financial crimes;
 - o External relations;