



CEPOL AWARENESS

EXTERNAL RELATIONS

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THE AFRICAN EXPERIENCE**

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External Relations Working Group

CEPOL

VISION

- European Police College
- Cornerstone of European police training
- Network of Police Training Academies
- Tampere - 1999
- Council Decision 2000/820/JHA
- EU agency - 2005 (Council Decision 2005/681/JHA)

External Relations Legal Framework

Article 8 of the Council Decision 2005/681/JHA

"Cooperation with other bodies"

- 1. CEPOL may cooperate with **relevant bodies of the European Union** in the field of law enforcement and other related areas and with relevant training bodies in Europe.
- 2. CEPOL may cooperate with **national training institutes of non-member States** of the European Union, in particular with those of the **candidate countries**, as well as with those of **Iceland, Norway and Switzerland**.

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"Cooperation with other bodies

- 3. The Governing Board may authorise the Director of CEPOL to negotiate **cooperation agreements**... Such cooperation agreements may be concluded only with the authorisation of the Governing Board. Cooperation agreements with bodies of non-member States of the European Union can only be concluded after the **approval of the Council** has been obtained.
- 4. CEPOL may take into account **recommendations** made by Europol and/or the Task Force of Chiefs of Police of the Member States of the EU, without prejudice to the rules governing the adoption of the CEPOL work program."

External Relations Working Group

Composition

Chair: Emile Pèrez (France)

Members: Experts from Belgium, Bulgaria, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Italy (Deputy Chair), Poland, Portugal, Romania and Spain

Purpose

The ERWG shall make proposals and recommendations to the Strategy Committee in the field of external relations and coordinate matters arising from external relations.

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Objectives

The ERWG shall support that CEPOL's external relations stay within CEPOL's remit and propose adjustments to CEPOL's external relations policy according to political developments

Tasks

ERWG shall, in particular:

1. develop and update a strategic approach on external relations;
2. support the Presidency and the Director on matters arising from external inquiries for cooperation or exchange;
3. support the development and coordinate the implementation of cooperation agreements;
4. develop cooperation with candidate and potential candidate countries.

External Relations Partners

- **EU Agencies and bodies**
 - **EU Networks**
 - **ACCEDING Countries**
 - **CANDIDATE Countries**
 - **ASSOCIATED Countries**
 - **POTENTIAL CANDIDATE Countries**
 - **ENP Countries**
 - **Other NON-EU Countries / bodies**
 - **PRIVATE Sector**
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External Relations Contacts_

<i>EU AGENCIES</i>	Europol, Eurojust, Frontex Olaf, ESDC, FRA, EMCDDA
<i>EU NETWORKS</i>	ECPN ENFSI
<i>ASSOCIATIONS</i>	AEPC, MEPA, NBPA
<i>CANDIDATE COUNTRIES</i>	Croatia, FYROM, Turkey
<i>ASSOCIATED COUNTRIES</i>	Iceland, Norway, Switzerland
<i>POTENTIAL CANDIDATE COUNTRIES</i>	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia,
<i>NON EU MEMBER STATE</i>	Russian Federation, USA
<i>ORGANISATIONS</i>	INTERPOL, UNICRI, PCC SEE
<i>ENP COUNTRIES</i>	Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Egypt, Georgia, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Moldova, Morocco, Palestinian National Authority, Syria, Tunisia and Ukraine

Table of Contacts

COUNTRIES - BODIES / ACTIVITIES	ACCEDING Countries	CANDIDATE Countries	ASSOCIATED Countries	POT. CAND. & ENP Countries	NON-EU Countries / bodies	Private sector
CEPOL ORGANS	xx					xx
<i>Governing Board</i>	EXP-1/2	NO	OBS	NO	NO	NO
<i>Committees</i>	INV OBS	NO	INV OBS	NO	NO	NO
<i>ERWG</i>	INV EXP	INV EXP	INV OBS	INV{1} OBS	NO	NO
TRAINING	xx					xx
<i>Organisation</i>	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
<i>Accommodation (2)</i>	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO
<i>Travel</i>	YES (3)	YES (3)	NO	NO	NO	NO
<i>Trainees</i>	YES	YES (ATOC) (4)	YES (ATOC)	YES** (ATOC)	YES** (ATOC)	NO
<i>Experts</i>	YES	YES	YES	YES**	YES**	YES
<i>Conference</i>	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES**	YES***

Stockholm Programme

An open and secure Europe serving the citizen_

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- The European Council reaffirms the priority it attaches to the development of an area of freedom, security and justice (JLS).
- The European Council emphasizes the importance of the external dimension of the EU's policy in the area of freedom, security and justice.
- **A reinforced external dimension**
 - The Union has a single external relations policy
 - The Union and the Member States must work in partnership with third countries
 - The Union and the Member States will cooperate closely with their neighbours
 - The Union will work with a proactive approach in its external relations.

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- Priorities in external relations should inform and guide the prioritisation of the work of relevant EU agencies (Europol, Eurojust, Frontex, CEPOL, the Lisbon Drugs Observatory and the European Asylum Support Office).
- The adoption of the Lisbon Treaty offers new possibilities for the European Union to act more efficiently in external relations.

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- **Geographical priorities**

EU action in external relations should focus on key partners, in particular:

- Candidate countries and countries with a European Union membership perspective
- European neighbourhood countries, and other key partners
- EEA/Schengen states
- The United States of America, the Russian Federation and other strategic partners
- Other countries or regions of priority

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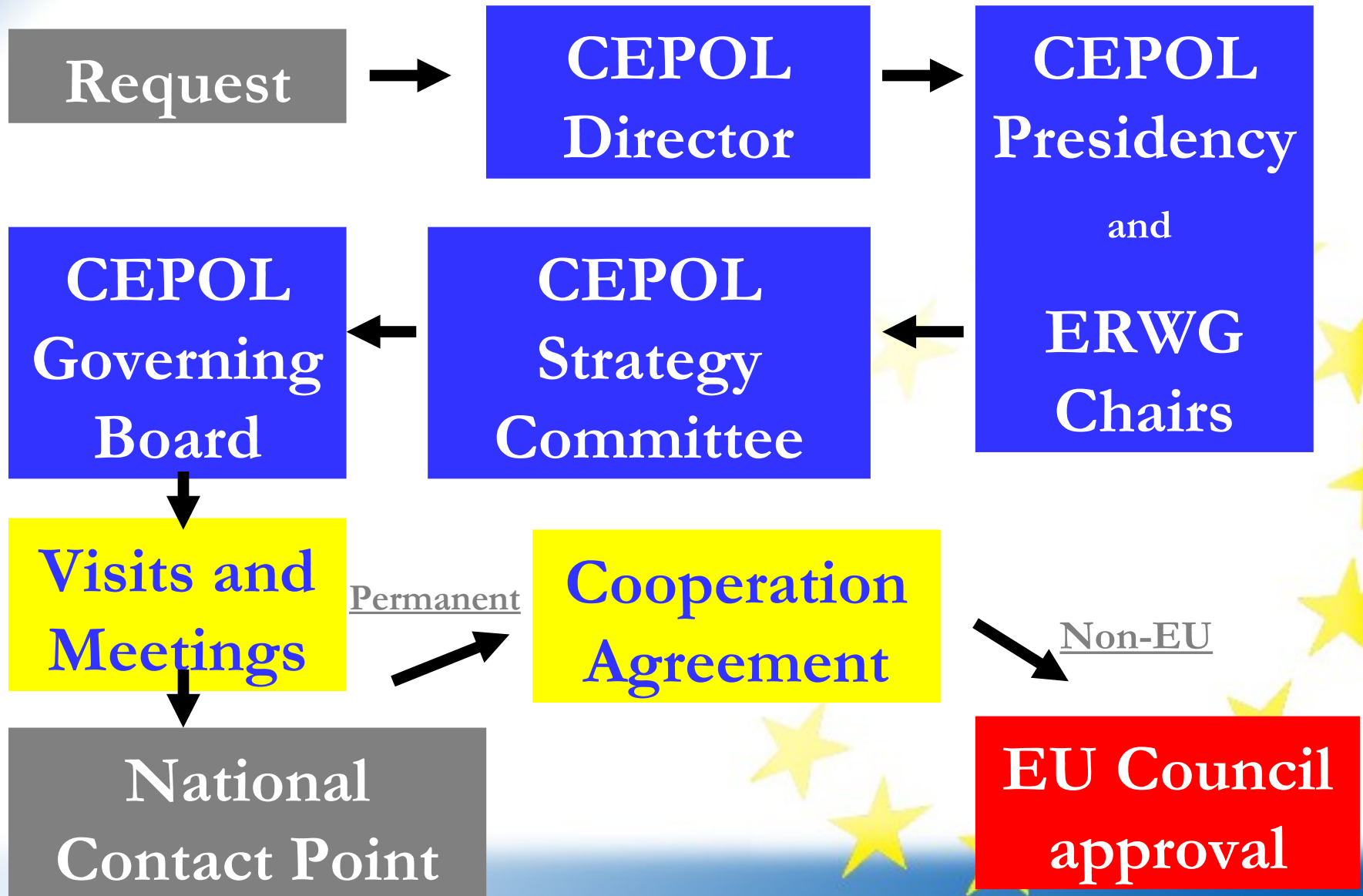
- 2007 **EU-Africa** Joint Strategy and Action Plan
(cooperation in the areas of counter-terrorism, transnational crime and drug trafficking)
- EU-Africa Partnership on Mobility, Migration and Employment (MME)
- EU Global Approach to Migration

The dialogue on migration should be deepened and intensified with African Partners, focussing on countries along the irregular migration routes to Europe with a view to assisting those countries in their efforts to draw up migration policies and responding to illegal immigration at sea and on the borders.

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- **West Africa** has recently developed into a major hub for drug trafficking from South America to Europe and will require enhanced attention and assistance to stem drug trafficking as well as other transnational crime and terrorism (within the Sahel).

External Relations Process





**Thank you
for your attention...**