

# CEPOL's Strategy

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## EU achievements in law enforcement

- Under Lisbon Treaty, the traditional EU pillars have disappeared
- Stockholm Programme (2009) builds on the success of the Tampere (1999) and Hague (2004) programmes which saw:
  - Internal controls removed in the Schengen area
  - External EU borders managed in a more coherent manner
  - Steps taken towards creation of a European Asylum System
  - JHA EU Agencies reached operational maturity
  - Cooperation in civil law now facilitates the everyday life of citizens
  - Law enforcement cooperation provides enhanced security



## EU achievements in law enforcement

### *However*

- Europe still faces challenges that need addressing
- Coherence between policy areas must improve
- Cooperation with partner countries should intensify
- The Stockholm Programme provides a framework for EU action on the questions of citizenship, justice, security, asylum and immigration for the next five years

## Five main areas of the Stockholm Programme

1. *Promoting citizenship and fundamental rights*
  - Protection of fundamental rights for all, including integrating vulnerable groups and providing greater protection
2. *A Europe of law and justice*
3. *Access to Europe in a globalised world*
  - For those with a legitimate interest, make access to Europe more effective and efficient
  - At the same time, the EU and Member States have to guarantee security for citizens
  - Integrated border management and visa policies should be construed to serve these goals

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4. *The role of Europe in a globalised world – the external dimension*
  - The external dimension is essential to address key challenges and provide greater opportunities for EU citizens to work and do business all over the world
  - Should be fully coherent with other aspects of EU foreign policy
5. *A Europe of responsibility, solidarity and partnership in migration and asylum*
  - Develop a forward-looking and comprehensive European migration policy
  - Implement effectively all relevant legal instruments, using the relevant agencies and offices operating in this field
  - Build a flexible policy which is responsive to needs of Member States
  - Ensure people in need of protection get access to legally safe and efficient asylum procedures

## The Stockholm Programme on training

- In order to foster genuine European judicial and law enforcement culture it is essential to **step-up training on EU-related issues**
- Make training **systematically accessible** for all professions involved in the implementation of the area of freedom, security and justice
- Includes judges, prosecutors, judicial staff, **police officers**, customs officers and border guards
- Ambition that by **2015**, a substantive number of professionals will have participated in a **European Training Scheme** or an **exchange** with another Member State
- **Existing training institutions** should be used for this purpose

## The Stockholm Programme on cooperation

- In the face of cross-border crime, more effort should be made to make judicial cooperation more efficient
  - Duplication of efforts must be avoided
  - Efforts of various agencies must complement each other
  - An integrated approach to internal security
- The instruments adopted need to be more "user-friendly"
- Focus on problems that are constantly occurring in cross-border cooperation
- Victims of crime or witnesses who are at risk can be offered special protection measures which should be effective within the EU

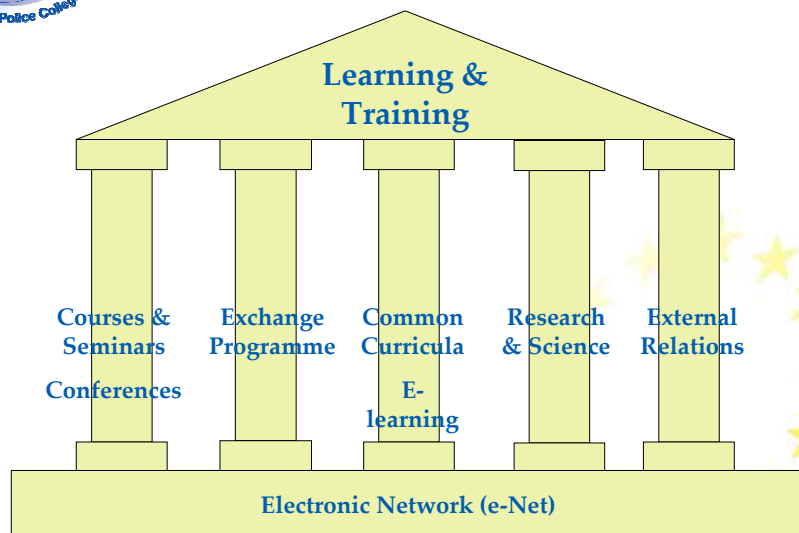
## About CEPOL

- Established in September 2005 as an EU agency - Council Decision 2005/680/JHA
- CEPOL is not a police college in the physical sense
- Activities are implemented in and by Member States – mainly in the senior police training institutes
- Criminals do not stop at borders
- Cross-border crime is on the increase
- Cross-border police cooperation is vital to tackle crime
- National police forces must:
  - Create network and develop arenas for effective police cooperation
  - Exchange ideas, experiences and good practice
  - Improve the quality of policing
  - Be aware of priorities in international policing
  - Understand each others national systems and structures
  - Be aware of European police regulations and tools

## CEPOL's main activities to date

- CEPOL organises between 60-100 **courses, seminars and conferences** a year on key topics relevant to police forces across Europe
- CEPOL runs a multilateral **exchange programme** for senior police officers and police training staff
- CEPOL creates **common curricula** to harmonise national police training on key topics
- CEPOL's **research and science** supports the exchange and development of knowledge and research in the field of policing
- CEPOL develops **cooperation and working agreements** with key organisations and countries via its external relations strategy
- CEPOL's electronic network underpins the physical network by **aiding communication, the sharing of knowledge and best practice**

## CEPOL five main pillars of activity





## CEPOL's mission, vision, values and guiding principles

**Mission:** CEPOL as a European Union agency contributes to European police cooperation through learning to the benefit of European citizens.

**Vision:** CEPOL is acknowledged by allied agencies and authorities in the policing and educational world to be the primary source of learning and development in the field of education and training for better cooperation and policing in Europe.

### Values:

- Primary source of knowledge
- Respect for diversity
- Faith in justice and policing

### Guiding Principles:

- Quality of learning
- CEPOL's relationship with EU law enforcement society
- CEPOL's relationship with stakeholders
- Towards CEPOL's staff and associates



## CEPOL's future strategy *Motivate, Innovate and Educate*

### 1. The CEPOL network functions as a European law enforcement education platform at the highest level of international excellence

- Delivering quality training courses on specific subjects
- Delivering training for senior leaders to enhance European competences
- Assist senior leaders in EU strategy planning and decisions
- Exchange programmes as an essential element of learning to promote, facilitate and develop cooperation
- Common curricula contribute to the preparation of harmonised training programmes in accordance with EU standards
- Develop further and easier access to e-learning systems

## CEPOL's future strategy *Motivate, Innovate and Educate*

### 2. CEPOL will be developed into a European law enforcement knowledge base

- Provide a home for police science
- Broaden the knowledge base by continued development of the e-library
- Orientation and facilitation of research, support to researchers and scientists
- Ensure forums for debate, sharing of research findings and moderate interaction between senior practitioners and researchers
- Create a European database of law enforcement researchers, scientists and researchers
- Foster innovation, honour and acknowledge those who assist and promote European police education and science under CEPOL's umbrella

## CEPOL's future strategy: *Motivate, Innovate and Educate*

### 3. External relations will be considered and dealt with as cornerstone of partnership

- Cooperation with EU Agencies and bodies remains a priority
- Associated countries are considered as the closest partners
- Assisting candidate and accession countries, Neighbourhood Policy and Eastern Partnership
- Cooperation with globally significant partners such as United States, Russia and China
- Use roles and interests of the private sector to deepen cooperation with the civil society



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### 4. CEPOL will be led and managed as a top-ranking innovative EU agency

- Governing Board apply corporate leadership and management
- Devolved leadership and management between Director and the Secretariat team
- Create and maintain effective Internal Control System
- Manage human resources as the greatest asset
- Ensure budget management contributes to future innovation
- Develop stakeholder relations, internal communication and Public Relations

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