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Please find attached the final report 2012 and progress report 2013 of the priority "Illegal immigration".

The information for the reports was collected in April 2013 and is presented as received from the Driver.

These reports were discussed during the National EMPACT Coordinators meeting held at Europol on 14-15 May 2013.

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Operational Action Plan 2012:

Priority Crime Area C: Illegal Immigration

End of year status 2012

- **Action 1.1** "As of Sep 2012: this activity is linked to activity 2.1. that was postpone to November 2012. Frontex to contribute to the risk analysis in the framework of Operation Aphrodite on secondary movements". This action has to be considered completed because of the link with action 2.1
- **Action 1.2** "As of Sep 2012: This activity could not coincide with the meeting organised by DG-Home. Due to reduce budget for the project on the CIRAM roll-out, there is no fund to carry-out this activity."
- Action 1.3 completed at september 2012 and KPI achieved
- **Action 2.1**. from 18th to 23rd of March was held the II phase of the HIO and so, the action can be considered completed. I pray the AL to send to Europol a final report of the activity.
- Action 2.2 Operation Fimathu. Completed at september 2012 and KPI achieved
- Action 2.3 completed at september 2012 and KPI achieved
- **Action 3.1** completed and KPI achieved. CEPOL planned a course (n. 76/2012) which was held from 23 to 25 October 2012 at Veria (Greece).
- **Action 4.1** "Frontex will invite ILOs posted in selected Western African countries to attend the conference presenting the findings of the African Frontex Intelligence Community to be held in November in Lisbon. Frontex also plans to organize a meeting of national ILO National Points of Contact in October 2012."
- Action 4.2 completed at september 2012 and KPI achieved
- Action 5.1 completed at september 2012 and KPI achieved
- **Action 5.2** completed at september 2012 and KPI achieved. The project have been formally closed by 31 August 2012 and it is not part of OAP 2013.
- **Action 6.1** not started in 2012. The project SAHMED did not start in 2012 and it is not part of OAP 2013
- **Action 6.2** not started in 2012. The project SEAHORSE did not start in 2012 and it is not part of OAP 2013

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Action 6.3 completed at September 2012 and KPI achieved

Action 7.1 in the report of September the action is considered completed and "Frontex will organize two meetings in the framework of the Analytical Layers User Group (as part of the Eurosur Project), one in October, the other in November or December".

Action 7.2 completed at September 2012 and KPI achieved

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Operational Action Plan 2013: Priority Crime Area C: Illegal Immigration

Status April 2013

Appendix 4 of the OAP template

Reporting template, for 6 monthly reporting of progress by by the driver (and if applicable by the action leaders)

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"Weaken the capacity of organised crime groups to facilitate illegal immigration to the EU, particularly via southern, south-eastern and eastern Europe and notably at the Greek-Turkish border and in crisis areas of the Mediterranean close to North Africa

Driver: ITALY Strategic Goal 1.

To maintain a comprehensive intelligence picture, at national and EU level through MS and EU Agency collaboration (in particular Europol and Frontex), including a common integrated risk analysis, on organised crime groups and the routes/modus operandi used by them for facilitating illegal immigration at the external borders and within the EU territory.

Action: 1.1

Pilot Tactical Information Exchange for clandestine activity by vehicles (roll out of UK tool to selected group of MS)

Leader: NL - UK

Participants: BG, NL, UK, EUROPOL, FRONTEX

Start and end date: 2013

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| Action based on | New Action | |
| existing | | |
| project/new action: | | |
| Key Performance | June 2012 | December 2012 |
| Indicator(s): | | |
| 1. XXX | 000^{1} | 000 |
| Baseline: XXX | | |
| 2. XXX | 000 | 000 |
| Baseline: XXX | | |
| Outputs/Reporting | June 2012 | December 2012 |
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OOO: Fields to be filled for reporting during the implementation of actions

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| Target (description | Finally reach an agreement with the | 000 |
| how far action is | UK to lead this action together. NL | |
| from the target set) | is preparing an operation on | |
| | exchanging information regarding | |
| | the touring operator EUROLINES | |
| | with Germany. The project will | |
| | start in May 2013. Since DE is not | |
| | a member yet of the OAP we urge | |
| | them to join. Negotiations started | |
| | with UK to exchange their | |
| | experience in this matter. This | |
| | touring operator is active through a | |
| | lot of countries in the EU. The | |
| | planning is to have more EU | |
| | countries involved but in this | |
| | stadium it is just starting up the | |
| | planning. | |
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"Weaken the capacity of organised crime groups to facilitate illegal immigration to the EU, particularly via southern, south-eastern and eastern Europe and notably at the Greek-Turkish border and in crisis areas of the Mediterranean close to North Africa"

Driver: ITALY

Strategic Goal 1

"To maintain a comprehensive intelligence picture, at national and EU level through MS and EU Agency collaboration (in particular Europol and Frontex), including a common integrated risk analysis, on organised crime groups and the routes/modus operandi used by them for facilitating illegal immigration at the external borders and within the EU territory."

Action: 1.2

"On-going action targeting forged documents at airports, de-briefing those found in possession for intelligence within EU, in line with the EU acquis, notably the Schengen Borders Code."

Leader: **Italy**

Participants: ITA - BG - UK - NL, MALTA, EUROPOL, FRONTEX

• Start and end date: end of November 2013 (1 week)

| Action based on existing project/new action: Key Performance Indicator(s): | New Action On-going action targeting forged documents at airports, debriefing those found in possession for intelligence within EU, in line with the EU acquis, notably the Schengen Border Code June 2013 December 2013 | |
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| 1. XXX Baseline: XXX | | End of November 2013 – 1 week (27.11.2013 - 3.12.2013 suggested period) implementation of the 1st Phase of the Action 1.2 consisting of take enforcement action and use intelligence to identify: target documents target airports source of documents international links factories and forgers The above mentioned period and the operational activities were agreed during the kick-off meeting (see below) |
| 2. XXX Baseline: XXX | | Beginning of October 2013 - Kick-off meeting for the implementation of Action 1.2 |
| Outputs/Reporting Information to be provided: | June 2013 | December 2013 |

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| on time, delayed) | | |
| Target (description | | Identify target documents and |
| how far action is | | airports |
| from the target set) | | identify international links, |
| | | factories and facilitators |
| | | detect impostors |
| | | identify/prosecute/disrupt |
| | | organised immigration crime |
| | | groups (forgers and facilitators) |
| | | collect and analyse information |
| | | for intelligence and investigation |
| | | purposes |
| Inputs: (Optional) | | |
| Number of Human | XXX, OOO-if any change | |
| Resources ¹ : | | |
| Financial resources | XXX, OOO-if any change | |
| needed: | | |
| Source of financial | XXX, OOO-if any change | |
| resources: | | |
| Any other | All the operational activities that will be carried out during the | |
| comments: | implementation of the Action 1.2 were agreed during the kick-off | |
| | meeting held at Europol HQ, 18/19 March 2013, with the MS | |
| | participants. | |
| | During the meeting it was proposed to | to angage also MC forgary units to |
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| | ensure that their expertise could support this action. | |
| | Italy, as leader, gave a presentation including a tentative timing for the | |
| | activities (kickoff meeting in July, for activities to be implemented in | |
| | the second half of 2013, 7-10 days of operational activities in main EU | |
| | airport and Follow-up meeting). During the discussions, it was | |
| | emphasized to avoid duplication with Joint Operations implemented by | |
| | Frontex at the external borders, but rather focus on the gathering of | |
| | information that may lead to the identification of the OCG involved in | |
| | the provision of document fraud | |
| | fraudulent documents), and on the si | · · |
| | by targeting flights within the EU. | |
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| | NL has motivated its special unit (Expertise Centre on Identity Fraud | |
| | and Passport forgery) to be active in this operation and they will get in | |
| | contact with the action leader (IT). In the meanwhile NL is focusing on | |
| | bogus Dutch passports find in the possession of a would-be migrant. As | |
| | soon as they receive information that such a passport is apprehended | |
| | abroad, they will start an investiga | tion to the original nolder of the |
| | passport. | |

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Full time equivalent

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Driver: ITALY

Strategic Goal 1.

To maintain a comprehensive intelligence picture, at national and EU level through MS and EU Agency collaboration (in particular Europol and Frontex), including a common integrated risk analysis, on organised crime groups and the routes/modus operandi used by them for facilitating illegal immigration at the external borders and within the EU territory.

Action: 1.3

Pilot information-sharing between central intelligence units specialised in illegal immigration networks.

Leader: FR

Participants: BG, FR, UK, NL, SP, PL, SWEDEN, EUROPOL, FRONTEX

Start and end date: 2013

| Action based on existing project/new action: | New Action | |
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| Key Performance Indicator(s): | June 2012 | December 2012 |
| 1. XXX Baseline: XXX | 19 March 2013: Kick off meeting chaired by France and held at Europol HQ; | 000 |
| 2. XXX Baseline: XXX | June 2013: 2 nd meeting/ Review of inputs from participating Members States and selection of initial topics for information-sharing; June to December 2013: Use of Europol channel (AWF CHECKPOINT/ SIENA) for information-sharing on selected topics; September 2013: To Draw up and to disseminate the report related to our pilot experience to the driver. | 000 |
| Outputs/Reporting Information to be provided: | June 2013 | December 2013 |
| Stage and status (not started, ongoing, finished/ on time, delayed) | On going | 000 |

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| Target (description | To Initiate a common dynamic, | 000 |
| how far action is | To setup a network of central | |
| from the target set) | intelligence units specialised in | |
| | illegal immigration network; | |
| | To work upstream the judicial | |
| | process | |
| | to collect interesting information | |
| | coming from all partners, to enrich | |
| | them in order to give them to | |
| | investigative units; | |
| | Close partnership with Europol; | |
| | To identify common priorities | |
| | taken out of national priorities in | |
| | each participating member states. | |
| | NL heard the FR proposal during the kick off meeting held at Europol | |
| Any other | HQ, 18/19 March 2013, and via their expertise centre of Human | |
| comments: | Trafficking and People Smuggling will try to get in line with FR to | |
| | achieve the goals. | |
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Driver: **ITALY**Participants: ITA – BG – UK – NL

Strategic Goal 2

To use the intelligence picture and risk analysis for more effective and cost-efficient border control, investigation and prosecution at the external borders and within the EU territory.

Action: 2.1

High Impact Operations (HIO)

Leader: Italy

Participants: ITA – BG – SI – GRC – AUT – ROM – UK – NL – SWE, MS's concerned Start and end date: end of June 2013 (1st phase) end of October 2013 (2nd phase)

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| Action based on | MS concerned will develop High Impact Operations (HIO) along the | |
| existing | main routes of illegal immigration, in particular towards IT from TR, | |
| project/new action: | EL and the Western Balkans in line with the EU acquis, notably the | |
| | Schengen Border Code | |
| Key Performance | June 2013 | December 2013 |
| Indicator(s): | | |
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| 1. XXX | • Held the 1 st phase of the High | • |
| Baseline: XXX | Impact Operation from 12 th to 19 th | |
| | June 2013 (suggested period) | |
| | consisting of joint and coordinated | |
| | patrolling + debriefing activities at | |
| | main Italian Adriatic Ports and | |
| | along the external land border with | |
| | WB. | |
| | • The above mentioned period | |
| | will be agreed during the kick-off | |
| | meeting (see below) | |
| 2. XXX | 23 rd April 2013 - Debriefing | |
| Baseline: XXX | meeting of the 2 st Phase 2012 and | |
| | evaluation of the Action 2.1 | |
| | evaluation of the fieldsh 2.1 | |
| | 24 th April 2013 - Kick-off meeting | |
| | for the implementation of 2013 | |
| | HIOs operational Phases | |
| Outputs/Reporting | June 2013 | December 2013 |
| Information to be | | |
| provided: | | |
| pro raca. | | |

| Stage and status (not started, ongoing, finished/ on time, delayed) | The operational implementation of the action is on going. A kick-off meeting will be held on 24 th April 2013 – to agree on the operational activities related to the implementation of 2013 HIOs operational phases |
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| Target (description how far action is from the target set) | detect illegal migrants identify/prosecute/disrupt organised immigration crime groups collect and analyse information for intelligence and investigation purposes and for the elaboration of the Tailored Risk Assessment for the implementation of the 2nd Phase |
| Any other comments: | Taking into account the geographical position of Croatia and Serbia and the goal of the High Impact Operations, these countries were invited to participate as observers, as main States used by migrants to reach Europe (according to the TRA mabe by FRONTEX). Sweden was invited to participate in 2013 HIOs as country interested by the so called "second movement". NL is focusing on participating with information exchanging in the HIO's operations. Since these kinds of operations are similar to Frontex operations, in which they are very active, they will be active in organizing the flow of information gathered during the Frontex operations via the regular way to Europol. NL uses every opportunity towards Frontex and Europol to have a multi EU agency cooperation. During the HIO's they will analyze the national data to see for links towards the HIO area and contribute this to the action leader. |

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Driver: ITALY

Strategic Goal 2.

To use the intelligence picture and risk analysis for more effective and cost-efficient border control, investigation and prosecution at the external borders and within the EU territory.

Action: 2.2

Operation FIMATHU

"focusing on facilitated illegal border crossings at HU-RS section of the EU external border and consequently on the illegal immigration channel starting from TR and proceeding through EL, the Western Balkans into HU, AT and other MS".

Leader: AT-HU-EUROPOL

Participants: AT- HU- DE-PL-CZ-SK-SI-RP-BG-CH-RS-CR-UK-EUROPOL-FRONTEX

Start and end date: 2013-2015

| Start and end date: 2013-2015 | | |
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| Action based on | Since this project is funded by European Commission for 3 years, it is | |
| existing | planned to run project till the end of 2015. Based on EU funds, HU and | |
| project/new action: | AT have started enhancing the operational co-operation with project | |
| | members (13 countries and EU bodie | |
| Key Performance | June 2012 | December 2012 |
| Indicator(s): | | |
| 1. XXX | 29/01/2013 - coordinated action | 000 |
| Baseline: XXX | day when 103 human smugglers | |
| | were arrested. | |
| | | |
| 2. XXX | Next FIMATHU meeting is held in | 000 |
| Baseline: XXX | Berlin, Germany at the end of | |
| | May, 2013. | |
| Outputs/Reporting | June 2013 | December 2013 |
| Information to be | June 2013 | December 2013 |
| provided: | | |
| Stage and status | On going | 000 |
| (not started, | | |
| ongoing, finished/ | | |
| on time, delayed) | | |
| Target (description | Capturing intelligence on OCGs | 000 |
| how far action is | from asylum centres along the | |
| from the target set) | Austria/ Serbia Route | |
| | Disseminating intelligence across | |
| | the impacted countries to improve | |
| | targeting. | |
| | Actions on specific intelligence. | |
| | Joint Investigations with countries | |
| | where OCGs located/ operating in | |

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| | Currently, the ALs are having an operational meeting in the Hague |
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| Any other | between EULEX Kosovo, Greece, Austria, Hungary and Europol. |
| comments: | |

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Driver: ITALY Strategic Goal 3.

"To enhance the measures to tackle smuggling of minors including implementing the EU action plan on unaccompanied minors and the cooperation with third countrie"s.

Action: 3.1

Training on de-briefing of unaccompanied minors for intelligence.

Leader: CEPOL-ROM Participants: IT, BG, UK, SI, FRX, Start and end date: 3/5 September 2013

Course 18/2013 under CEPOL's Annual Work Program has been Action based on existing granted to Romania.

| CAISTING | granted to Romania. | |
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| project/new action: | | I |
| Key Performance | June 2012 | December 2012 |
| Indicator(s): | | |
| 1. XXX | the Course will take place in | 000 |
| Baseline: XXX | Romania, 3-5 September 2013. | |
| 2. XXX | | 000 |
| Baseline: XXX | | |
| Outputs/Reporting | June 2013 | December 2013 |
| Information to be | | |
| provided: | | |
| Stage and status | On time | 000 |
| (not started, | | |
| ongoing, finished/ | | |
| on time, delayed) | | |
| Target (description | Increased capability of frontline | 000 |
| how far action is | officers to de-brief minors. | |
| from the target set) | | |
| | Identification of OCGs involved in | |
| | the moving of minors. | |
| | - | |
| | Reduction in illegal migration of | |
| | minors. | |
| | | |
| | CEPOL therefore recommende | d that Romania should be |
| Any other | mentioned as co-leader on this activity. The course organizers | |
| comments: | (Romania) will start soon preparations for the course and will | |

comments:

(Romania) will start soon preparations for the course and will communicate with the CEPOL Project Manager and the EU Policy Driver on EMPACT Illegal Immigration. Invitations will be sent to MS through CEPOL National Contact Points at least three months prior to the training for which CEPOL will cover all the costs (travel, meals and accommodation).

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Driver: ITALY Strategic Goal 5

"To make full use of innovative and efficient administrative procedures to disrupt organised crime group/facilitators that abuse vulnerabilities and legal proceedings for their criminal activities".

Action: 5.1

"Share data with Europol of cases where there is suspicion of marriage of convenience with OC involvement"

Leader: NL

Participants: BG, IT, NL, UK, PL, PT, SI, Europol, Frontex

Start and end date: 2013

| Action based on existing project/new action: | New Action | |
|--|--|---------------|
| Key Performance | June 2012 | December 2012 |
| Indicator(s): | | |
| 1. XXX Baseline: XXX | The leader will soon send questionnaire to the participants in order to build a baseline (Mid April 2013) From this baseline, the operational plan will be established. | 000 |
| 2. XXX | | 000 |
| Baseline: XXX | | |
| Outputs/Reporting | June 2013 | December 2013 |
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| provided: | | |
| Stage and status | On time | 000 |
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| Target (description | Initiation of investigations in MS | 000 |
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| how far action is | within the legal Framework | |
| from the target set) | Gain a baseline for the indicators | |
| | that will be used. | |
| | Share best practices gained in MS | |
| | where there are specialised units | |
| | dealing with this issue to MS where | |
| | there are not. | |
| | Provide Europol and MS with | |
| | details of suspicious marriages – | |
| | provide information to checkpoint. | |
| | Update and disseminate | |
| | information of MS with legal | |
| | framework | |
| | Identify options to | |
| | inform/harmonise policy and | |
| | legislative frameworks to make | |
| | recommendations at a political | |
| | level. | |
| | During the kick off meeting hold at | Europol HO 19/10 Morob 2012 it |

Any other comments:

During the kick off meeting held at Europol HQ 18/19 March 2013, it was emphasized, notably by Portugal, that the focus should be on gathering information on OCG and also in taking into account the cross-border dimension of the phenomena (with actors operating from different Member States). Portugal expressed its willingness to join this action and also will confirm participation in the priority C to the Driver.

It was also suggested that this action could lead to opening a target group within Checkpoint focusing on marriage of convenience.

As there is already a Target group (NL and UK are participating) within the FP Checkpoint for this topic, it would be logic that participants of action 5.1 join the mentioned Target group. Denmark has been mentioned as key partner for this activity however DK is not member of the priority. If Driver agrees, EMPACT Support Unit might invite competent DK authorities to join a/m action addressing a letter to DK Liaison Office at Europol.

After the kick off meeting NL sent a request to all participants to ask for contact details of specialized units/persons. Mid April NL will draft a specific operational plan with baseline for indicators. Mid May NL will share best practices with the participants. Till November 2013 information on the topic should be exchange via Europol, who has opened a special Target Group (SNOW) for this topic. EU MS are requested to sign in for this TG.

Via the driver a draft provisional Handbook regarding marriages of convenience was received. AL and participants will use that knowledge as input for the final report.

On national level NL is lining up the multi disciplinary approach in order to implement this approach pan European. In the meanwhile SK is very active with UK on sharing information. They have planned an

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| operational meeting in May in UK and later in SK. NL will liaise with |
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| them to have an operational meeting in SK in cooperation with us as |
| action leader and all the participants in this OAP. |
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Driver: ITALY Strategic Goal 5

"To make full use of innovative and efficient administrative procedures to disrupt organised crime group/facilitators that abuse vulnerabilities and legal proceedings for their criminal activities".

Action: 5.2

"Analysis of OC involvement in visa abuse using alternative sources, including VIS"

Leader: NONE

Participants: BG, NL, UK, Frontex Start and end date: 2013

Action based on existing project/new action:

This action remains without leader, despite several attempts by the driver and the matter being brought to the attention of COSI members. The conclusions of the discussions during the kick off meeting held at Europol HQ, 18/19 March 2013, were that this action needs to be reformulated, probably by putting more focus on the type of abuse – like bogus students or other modus operandi, and reducing the focus on VIS because the participants to this OAP do not have direct access to (or have legal constraint to access) this database. The participants decided that, unless a MS volunteered to be the leader, this action will not be implemented in 2013, but the idea revisited for the OAP 2014.

| Key Performance Indicator(s): | June 2012 | December 2012 |
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| 1. XXX Baseline: XXX | | 000 |
| 2. XXX Baseline: XXX | | 000 |
| Outputs/Reporting Information to be provided: | June 2013 | December 2013 |
| Stage and status (not started, ongoing, finished/ on time, delayed) | | 000 |
| Target (description how far action is from the target set) | | 000 |
| Any other comments: | | |

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Driver: ITALY Strategic Goal 6

"To enhance cooperation at bilateral and European level with third countries in particular with relevant illegal immigration sources and transit countries".

Action: 6.1

"Coordinated EU awareness campaigns focusing on prevention."

Leader: NONE
Participants: BG, UK, Frontex
Start and end date: 2013

Action based on existing project/new action:

This action remains without leader, despite several attempts by the driver and despite the matter being brought to the attention of COSI members. During the discussions at the kick off meeting held at Europol HQ, 18/19 March 2013, the participants recognized the importance of prevention, but wish, for the OAP, to put the focus on operational reactions. Without a leader, and given the fact that the participants desire to dedicate their resources to the operational side of the issue, it was decided not to implement this action.

| Key Performance | June 2012 | December 2012 |
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| Indicator (s): | | |
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| Baseline: XXX | | |
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| 2. XXX | | 000 |
| Baseline: XXX | | |
| Outputs/Reporting | June 2013 | December 2013 |
| Information to be | | |
| provided: | | |
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| Any other | | |
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Driver: ITALY Strategic Goal 7

"To contribute to and make full use of the existing and future EU tools in the fields of external border management, immigration and law enforcement such as EU databases, networks, information exchange systems and funding programmes."

Action: 7.1

"E-learning tool to share experiences, best practices and training material at EU and MS level for the purpose of fighting illegal migration."

Leader: CEPOL
Participants: BG, Frontex
Start and end date: 2013

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| Action based on | The platform (Community of Pr | ractice) for Illegal Immigration | |
| existing | professionals is operational since | the end of 2012 and requires | |
| project/new action: | moderation and input from the Member States. | | |
| Key Performance | June 2012 | December 2012 | |
| Indicator(s): | | | |
| 1. XXX | The organization of 2 webinars was | 000 | |
| Baseline: XXX | proposed, one in cooperation with | | |
| | the UK in regards to best practices | | |
| | could be delivered related to the | | |
| | baseline of action 1.1 clandestine | | |
| | activity by vehicles and another one | | |
| | in cooperation with the Netherland | | |
| | on the baseline of action 5.1. on | | |
| | marriage of convenience. | | |
| 2. XXX | | 000 | |
| Baseline: XXX | | | |
| Outputs/Reporting | June 2013 | December 2013 | |
| Information to be | | | |
| provided: | | | |
| Stage and status | On time | 000 | |
| (not started, | | | |
| ongoing, finished/ | | | |
| on time, delayed) | | | |
| Target (description | Share experiences and best | 000 | |
| how far action is | practices | | |
| from the target set) | Increase awareness of best practices | | |
| | and tools/EU legislation | | |
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| Any other | Besides the fact that it was clarified to avoid the creation of other | |
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| comments: | platforms (EPE) for the same purpose in order to avoid duplication of | |
| | efforts, it was proposed to start using this platform for the exchange | |
| | best practices and training material. Furthermore CEPOL proposed the | |
| | possibility of organizing webinars as awareness bursts and information | |
| | sessions in order to share best practices with up to 1000 EU Law | |
| | Enforcement Officers on real time. | |
| | Furthermore it was highlighted that for potential future Learning | |
| | activities a Learning and Training needs analysis should be carried out. | |

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