



Eurojust – reform in the age of digitalisation and war

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I. Recent relevant Commission initiatives

- Proposal on digital information exchange in terrorism cases [COM (2021) 757 final]
- Proposal on preserving, analysing and storing evidence relating to genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity and related crimes at Eurojust [Regulation (EU) 2022/838]
- Proposal on the establishment of a Joint Investigation Teams collaboration platform [COM (2021) 756 final]

1. Proposal on digital information exchange in terrorism cases

Objectives:

- Improving the European Judicial Counter-Terrorism Register (CTR)
- Digitalising Eurojust' s case management system (CMS) and establishing secure digital communication channels
- Facilitating cooperation with third countries

State of play:

- General Approach in June, EP position in November
- First political trilogue on 23 November 2022

2. Regulation (EU) 2022/838 on preserving, analysing and storing evidence relating to genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity and related crimes at Eurojust

Objectives:

- Amending Eurojust's mandate to allow preserving, analysing and storing of evidence relating to core international crimes
- Establishment of a temporary data base outside of the CMS

State of play:

- Adopted in June by co-legislators in urgent procedure
- Eurojust is working on the implementation

3. Proposal on the establishment of a JITs collaboration platform

Objectives:

- Providing the legal basis for the establishment of a Joint Investigation Teams (JITs) collaboration platform
- Facilitate the digital exchange of information and evidence between JITs members in a safe environment

State of play:

- General Approach in June, EP position in October
- First political trilogue on 14 November 2022

II. Eurojust, data processing and ownership

General principles of data processing in judicial cooperation:

- Judicial cooperation: data ownership, purpose limitation
- Data Protection: Eurojust data controller (National Member is data controller on behalf of Eurojust)

Eurojust CMS:

- Only database in which Eurojust may process operational personal data
- National Member, in consultation with national authorities, decides who gets what kind of access on a case-by-case basis



Thank you!



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