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EU Justice and Home Affairs agencies take stock of achievements in 2022 and set path for continuous support to Ukraine and Moldova



The nine EU Agencies active in the field of freedom, security and justice convened today in Budapest for a high-level meeting, chaired by CEPOL, to take stock of the main achievements in 2022, which includes the ongoing engagement with Ukraine and Moldova.

The European Union's Justice and Home Affairs (JHA) agencies have taken significant steps in supporting Member States and Institutions in responding to Russia's military aggression over Ukraine. As discussed in the meeting, further efforts are underway to monitor the situation and help ensure the collective response meets the changing needs.

The event gathered also representatives from the European Commission, the European Parliament, the General Secretariat of the Council, the European External Action Service, as well as the Czech EU Presidency.



Thanks to the Justice and Home Affairs Agencies, our presence as European Union where it is needed on the ground, is stronger, more timely and efficient. Together, we respond to the ongoing challenges and we stand ready to tackle any future ones.

Ms. Monique Pariat, European Commission's Director-General for Migration and Home Affairs

This last year has been one of milestones, as the nine JHA Agencies worked together to deliver a Europe that Protects. Next year will be pivotal, as we put the joint response to various crises on surer footing and assist in developing and implementing sustainable solutions; both under the proposed Pact on Migration and Asylum, and the Security Union Strategy.

Nina GregoriExecutive Director of the European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA)

Other topics on the agenda included a presentation of the extended mandate of Eurojust to help the work of Ukrainian authorities in investigating war crimes, an update on the EU Innovation Hub for Internal Security by Europol, as well as an overview by Frontex on border management under crisis and its impact on security architecture. Also, CEPOL outlined their new strategy for the period 2023-2027 while the EU Agency for Asylum (EUAA) presented their work programme for the incoming presidency of the network in 2023.

Find further information.

Below main achievements of the network in 2022:

- EU Justice and Home Affairs Agencies' Joint Statement on Ukraine
- <u>EU Justice and Home Affairs agencies present concrete actions in support of</u> Ukraine
- <u>EU Justice and Home Affairs agencies joint paper on COVID-19 Latest</u> update
- CEPOL's Presidency of EU Justice and Home Affairs Network kicks off

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