

Warsaw, 9 January 2025

Dear Chairs,

Within the framework provided by Article 51 of the Europol Regulation (EU) 2016/794, we are pleased to invite you to the **16th Meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Scrutiny Group (JPSG) on Europol**, which will take place **on 23–24 February 2025 at the Sejm and the Senate of the Republic of Poland in Warsaw**. The meeting will be held in person only.

The meeting will tackle a number of issues directly arising from the JPSG's prerogatives according to Article 51 of the Europol Regulation, including presentations by Ms Catherine De Bolle, Europol Executive Director, Mr Ireneusz Sieńko, the Chair of the Europol Management Board and Mr Wojciech Wiewiórowski, the European Data Protection Supervisor.

The draft agenda also includes two scrutiny sessions: the first on *Combating drug trafficking in Europe* and the second on *The fight against child sexual exploitation online and offline*.

Oral questions to Europol

According to Article 4.2 of the JPSG Rules of Procedure, we kindly draw your attention to the right to address oral questions to Europol. Please find attached the Guide for Members on JPSG Written and Oral questions, explaining the procedure for submitting questions.

In order for Europol to prepare replies in time for the meeting, members/delegations wishing to submit oral questions are kindly requested to send them to the JPSG Co-Chairs by **Monday 10 February at the latest**.

Appointment of the members of the Consultative Forum on Fundamental Rights

In accordance with the revised Rules of Procedure, on 24 June 2024 the JPSG launched a call for expression of interest from individuals and relevant EU and national agencies and bodies, international and intergovernmental organisations, academia and civil society organisations to become members of Consultative Forum from 1 December 2024 to the end of the term of the 10th European Parliament in July 2029.

At its meeting of 12 November 2024 in Brussels, the JPSG decided to postpone the decision on the appointment of members to the Consultative Forum to the next meeting and to re-launch among members of the JPSG the call for expression of interest, re-opening the application procedure in order to fully fill the foreseen 11-member quota.

The new deadline for submitting expressions of interest and sending the supporting documents is 17 January 2025 (midday, 12:00h of Brussels local time).

The list of applicants will be publicly available on the JPSG pages on the IPEX (InterParliamentary EU information eXchange) website.

Acting on a proposal of the Presidential Troika, and taking into account the broad range of disciplines, knowledge and expertise, gender balance and, insofar as possible, geographical distribution, the JPSG will appoint up to 11 individuals or organisations as members of the Consultative Forum.

General aspects

We would like to recall that your Parliament/Chamber can be represented by up to four members in the JPSG (in the case of bicameral parliaments each Chamber with up to two members each). Members and their delegations will be asked to register for the meeting.

According to Article 4.3 of the JPSG Rules of Procedure, the working languages of the JPSG are English and French, therefore we would like to ask the delegations to submit all written contributions in one of these two languages. Please send them to the JPSG Secretariat to both e-mail addresses: jpsg.libesecretariat@europarl.europa.eu; jpsg.europol@parleu2025.pl

All documents submitted by Europol for the meeting in line with Article 51.3 of the Europol Regulation, as well as all contributions by the delegations to the JPSG and other relevant documents will be published on the [IPEX JPSG website](#) ahead of the meeting and distributed to delegations by email.

Further information and additional documents will be forwarded in due course to your Parliament's services.

Yours sincerely



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Annex 1: Draft programme of the 16th meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Scrutiny Group on Europol

Annex 2: Guide for Members on JPSG Written and Oral Questions