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**NATIONAL OFFICE FOR CRIME PREVENTION AND  
COOPERATION FOR ASSET RECOVERY**

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**BUILDING MUTUAL TRUST**

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## Challenges

- Strategic vision *(2009vs2011 statistics)*
  - Interagency cooperation vs competition *(ARO establishment)*
  - Resources *(databases, analytical software)*
  - Training *(ex. financial investigations, third party confiscation, ML as standing alone crime)*
  - Asset sharing agreements
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## CRIME PREVENTION

- ✓ *Studies, prognosis, criminological research on corruption and serious crimes*
  - Includes access to judicial and fiscal statistics
- ✓ *International cooperation*
  - GRECO, Moneyval, UNCAC Review, OECD WG Bribery, RAI, Black Sea Cooperation
- ✓ *Technical assistance projects*
  - capacity building
  - dissemination of best practices among judges, prosecutors, police officers and other judicial experts



## POLICY DEVELOPMENT

- ✓ *General recommendations for prosecutors on crime prevention*
  - ✓ starting 2010 - asset recovery assumed as strategic priority
- ✓ *National Anticorruption Strategy*
  - Monitoring Council/ Technical secretariat
  - dedicated chapter to asset tracing and recovery
- ✓ *Draft laws adopted by Parliament in 2012*
  - extended confiscation
  - early selling of seized goods



## Pre MLA COOPERATION

- √ *Exchange of information with similar EU Offices*
  - Secured channel Siena via EUROPOL
- √ *Regional and global networks*
  - CARIN, INTERPOL – STAR, UNCAC focal points network
- √ *Interagency cooperation*
  - direct and indirect access to relevant databases
  - networks – judges, prosecutors, police officers
- √ *Advice on MLA procedures*



## EXCHANGE of INFO

REQUESTING PARTY	WHAT WE DO	DEADLINES
Another ARO	<b>Direct acces to databases</b> Trade register Accounts register (ANAF) Population Register Auto Register Passports Register Stolen Assets Weapons Register Stolen cars Land register	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 hours – urgent cases  <input type="checkbox"/> 1 week for non urgent requests on serious crimes  <input type="checkbox"/> 14 days - other cases
Prosecutor's Office	<b>Indirect acces</b> Imports – exports (ANV) Boats and planes registers	<b>!!!IMPORTANT!!!            PROTECTION OF            PERSONAL DATA</b>
Police – General Inspectorate	<b>Requests for additional info</b> - Fiscal authorities, local authorities, Police, FIU -	
	Checking if the request is not conflicting with ongoing investigation	



## DATABASE ACCESS

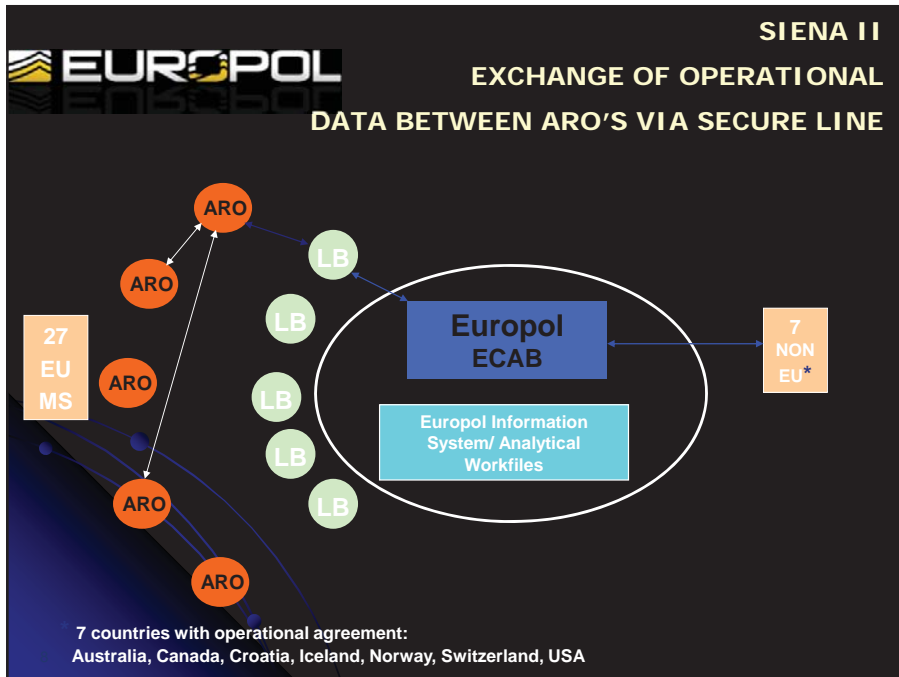
### Directly accessible databases:

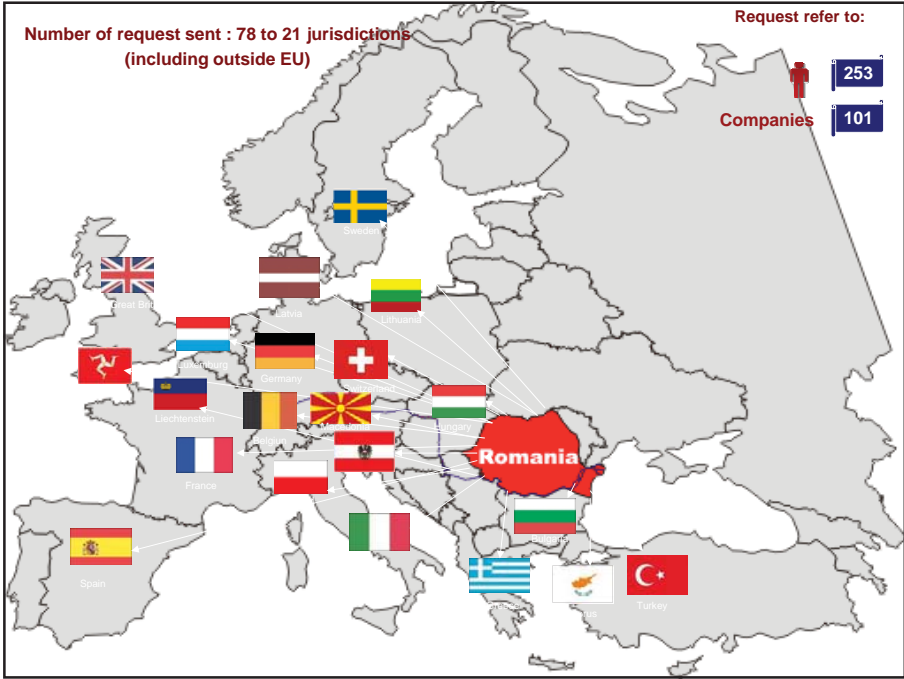
- Police databases
- Central Population Register
- Central Vehicle Registry
- Bank Account Register**
- Trade Register
- National Agency for Cadastre and Land Registration



### Data accessible upon the hardcopy requests:

- Boat registers
- Aeroplane Register
- Tax registers
- Other registers







## MOST FREQUENT

### Crimes

- Organised crime
- Skimming
- Money laundering
- Corruption
- Theft
- Trafficking in human beings

### Requesting countries

- Belgium
- UK
- France
- Hungary
- Holland



## TYPE OF REQUESTED INFO

- ✓ Please find **any information about all kind asset possessed** by subjects on the territory of Romania especially :
- ✓ Checks in all **police intelligence databases** with stated names in order to gather intelligence and to identify possible assets and bank accounts.
- ✓ Checks in the **other/alien databases** with stated names in order to gather intelligence and to identify possible assets and bank accounts.
- ✓ Checks in the **real estate register** if the stated subjects own any properties. If yes, please provide details of when the subjects purchased a property, how the property was purchased, mortgage details and value of property when purchased. If property was sold, when it was sold and where did the proceeds of the sale of the property go. If the stated subjects are not the owners of the property please provide details of who is the current owner.
- ✓ Checks in **central company register** if the stated subjects are owner, co owner, shareholder, member of the board of directors, member of the supervisory board or authorized person of any registered company.
- ✓ Checks in the **central vehicle register** with the stated name in order to gather intelligence and identify possible addresses where properties are held or bank accounts are registered.
- ✓ Checks in the **central boat register** with the stated name in order to gather intelligence and identify possible addresses where properties are held or bank accounts are registered.
- ✓ Please give an indication of the **value of all assets** if any are found



## CONTACT DETAILS

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