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EUROJUST
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NATIONAL MEMBER OF BULGARIA
An EU agency governed by national judicial authorities of the EU Member States

Eurojust is home to ‘judicial embassies’
- 26 National Members, 1 per EU Member State
- Operational: experienced prosecutors, judges
  Employed by the home authority
  - 24/7 on call
  - Additional staff to handle cases
  - Together, the National Members form a College

Eurojust offers access to expertise and support
- +220 EU staff: legal expertise and analysis, secure IT systems, meeting facilitation
- Headed by an Administrative Director

Cost effective and demand driven
- Budget: EUR 40 million (2019)
- Practical support to almost 8,000 criminal investigations in 2019 (+17% y increase)
- Fully demand driven
Eurojust's organisational structure

- 26 National Members
- College of Eurojust
- Executive Board
- President of Eurojust
- Administrative Director
  - Operations Department
  - Corporate Department
  - Resources Department
- Commission representative
- Representative of Denmark
- Liaison Prosecutors from 6 third States
- Data Protection Officer
- Accounting Officer

Criminal justice across borders
Operational outcomes 2019

**SCALE OF THE CHALLENGE**

- 11,480 suspects
- 1,485 cases involving organised criminal groups
- €15.8 bn worth of damages
- 21,373 victims of crime

**PRACTICAL SUPPORT**

- 1,093 rapid responses to judicial cooperation requests
- 1,384 large-scale operations

**JUDICIAL COOPERATION TOOLS**

- 1,277 European Arrest Warrants
- 2,146 cases with European Investigation Orders
- 273 joint investigation teams
- 3,746 mutual legal assistance cases
Criminal justice across borders

Number of cases (new and ongoing) registered by crime type in 2018 and 2019

THB cases at Eurojust per year

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Eurojust CMs and CCs held in THB cases

- 2016: 33
- 2017: 57
- 2018: 43
- 2019: 54
- 2020 (Jan-Jun): 19

Legend:
- Coordination meetings
- Coordination centres
Joint Investigation Teams (JIT)
Case example THB

Two JITs within the framework of two separate international operations:

Operation Palma & Operation Leerdam
Coordination centres (...)

**Operational needs**

- **Quick information exchange** of intermediate results/detection of possible issues at judicial level

- **Adapting measures** according to the results/issues (e.g. integration LoRs/EAWs) → decisional powers of the prosecutors

- **Common media strategy** (e.g. joint press release)

**Eurojust’s support via coordination centres**

*In 2019: 100th reached*
New JITs signed in THB cases (until 30 June 2020)
Involvement of Member States in new JITs dealing with THB
(01 Jan 2012 - 30 June 2020)