NOTE
From: Presidency
To: Delegations
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Subject: Proposal for a Regulation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office
- Relations with partners (Art 56, 57(1) and (2) and 58)
- Financial and staff provisions (Articles 48-55)

The Presidency intends to focus the discussions at the meeting of the Friends of Presidency on 4 February 2015 on Articles 56, 57 (1) and (2) and 58 in the draft Regulation. Following the preliminary discussions in COPEN on 11-12 January and with account taken of the written comments received from delegations (see compilation in WK 18/2016), the said Articles have been tentatively redrafted (Annex I to this note). The Presidency proposes to base the discussion on this redraft. Modifications in relation to the original Commission proposal are indicated in underlined or overstruck. Please note that the corresponding Article 41 in the text of the draft Eurojust Regulation in the general approach version¹ (which was put between square brackets there) is reproduced in Annex II for easy reference.

¹ Doc 6643/15 EUROJUST 59 EPPO 20 CATS 37 COPEN 67 CODEC 266 CSC 49
The Presidency will also, depending on available time, undertake a preliminary examination of Articles 48-55 (financial and staff provisions) in the proposal. The Presidency would in this context in particular ask delegations to reflect on how the financial functions foreseen in the Commission proposal for the European Public Prosecutor (Art 48 (1), 50 (7) …) or the Deputy designated by the European Public Prosecutor (Art 48 (2), 50 (1) …) should be fulfilled in the current collegial structure of the Office, in accordance with the Financial Regulation\(^2\). In other words, should the European Chief Prosecutor, a Deputy Chief Prosecutor or a newly created Administrative Director fulfill one or several of these functions? And, do delegations agree with a role for the College in this respect?

To facilitate the discussions on the financial and staff provisions, delegations are invited to consult the first part of the comparative table covering Articles 48-55 (Annex III to this note), in which the said provisions are presented in parallel with corresponding provisions in the draft Eurojust and Europol regulations. In the fourth column of the table a few potential modifications in the relevant articles of the EPPO Regulation have been suggested. These suggestions have the mere aim of illustrating how the text could be brought closer to similar provisions in the draft Europol and Eurojust Regulations.

Article 56

Common provisions

1. In so far as necessary for the performance of its tasks, the European Public Prosecutor’s Office may establish and maintain cooperative relations with Union bodies or agencies in accordance with the objectives of those bodies or agencies, the competent authorities of third countries and international organisations and the International Criminal Police Organisation (Interpol).

2. In so far as relevant to the performance of its tasks, the European Public Prosecutor’s Office may, in accordance with Article 674, directly exchange all information, with the exception of personal data, with the entities referred to in paragraph 1.

2a. For the purposes set out in paragraphs 1 and 2, the European Public Prosecutor’s Office may conclude working arrangements\(^3\) with entities referred to in paragraph 1. Those working arrangements shall not form the basis for allowing the exchange of personal data and shall not bind the Union or its Member States.

3. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office may receive, in accordance with Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 45/2001, and process personal data received from the entities referred to in paragraph 1 in so far as necessary for the performance of its tasks and subject to the provisions of Section 3.

4. Personal data shall only be transferred by the European Public Prosecutor’s Office to Union bodies, third countries and international organisations, and Interpol if this is necessary and proportionate for the preventing and combating offences that fall under the competence of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office performance of its tasks and in accordance with this Regulation and if the recipient gives an undertaking that the data will be processed only for the purpose for which they were transferred.

\(^3\) It should be clarified in the text or in a recitals should clarify that those working arrangements should be of a technical and/or operational nature, which in particular should aim at facilitating the cooperation and the exchange of information between the parties thereto, and that they should not create additional legal obligations for the Office.
4a. If the data to be transferred have been initially processed and provided by a Member State to the European Public Prosecutor's Office and not become data over which that Office has the responsibility, the European Public Prosecutor's Office shall obtain the consent of the relevant competent authority in that Member State, unless the Member State has granted its prior authorisation to such onward transfer, either in general terms or subject to specific conditions. Such consent may be withdrawn any moment.

5. Onward transfers to third parties of personal data received from and under the responsibility of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office by Member States, Union bodies or agencies, third countries and international organisations or Interpol shall be prohibited unless the European Public Prosecutor’s Office has given its prior explicit consent authorisation after considering the circumstances of the case at hand, for a specific purpose that is not incompatible with the purpose for which the data was transmitted.

5a. Paragraph 5 of this Article shall not apply to cases that have been referred to competent national authorities in accordance with Article 28a.

**Article 57**

**Relations with Eurojust**

1. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall establish and maintain a close special relationship with Eurojust based on mutual close cooperation and the development of operational, administrative and management links between them as defined below.

2. In operational matters, the European Public Prosecutor’s Office may associate Eurojust with its activities concerning cross-border or complex cases by:

   a) sharing information, including personal data, on its investigations, in particular where they reveal elements which may fall outside the material or territorial competence of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office;

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4 Rules on when EPPO has the responsibility of data may be needed; see Article 38 in the new Europol regulation.
[b) requesting Eurojust or its competent national member(s) to participate in the coordination of specific acts of investigation regarding specific aspects which may fall outside the material or territorial competence of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office;]

c) facilitating the agreement between the European Public Prosecutor’s Office and the Member State(s) concerned on ancillary competence in accordance with Article 17(2), without prejudice to a possible settlement by the judicial authority of the Member State concerned and competent to decide on the matter;

d) requesting Eurojust or its competent national member(s) to use the powers attributed to them by Union legislation or national law regarding specific acts of investigation which may fall outside the material or territorial competence of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office;

e) sharing information with Eurojust or its competent national member(s) on prosecution decisions referred to at Articles 30, 33 and 34 before their submission to the European Public Prosecutor where Eurojust competences may be affected and this is appropriate in the light of Eurojust’s previous involvement in the case;

f) inviting requesting Eurojust or its competent national member(s) to provide support in the transmission of its decisions or requests for mutual legal assistance to, and execution in, States members of Eurojust but not taking part in the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office or third countries.

[3] The European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall have [indirect] access [on the basis of a hit/no-hit system to information OR to a mechanism for automatic cross-checking of data] in Eurojust’s Case Management System. Whenever a match is found between data entered into the Case Management System by the European Public Prosecutor’s Office and data entered by Eurojust, the fact that there is a match will be communicated to both Eurojust and the European Public Prosecutor’s Office, as well as the Member State which provided the data to Eurojust. In cases where the data was provided by a third country, Eurojust will only inform that third country of the match found with the consent of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

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5 Paragraphs 3-6 will be discussed at a later stage, but written suggestions received from delegations in relation to them have already been incorporated.

6 Obligations of Eurojust will be addressed in the context of the Eurojust Regulation.
4. The cooperation established in accordance with paragraph 1 shall entail the exchange of information, including personal data. Any data thus exchanged shall only be used for the purposes for which it was provided. Any other usage of the data shall only be allowed in as far as such usage falls within the mandate of the body receiving the data, and subject to the prior authorisation of the body which provided the data.

5. The European Public Prosecutor shall designate the staff members authorised to have access to the results of the cross-checking mechanism and inform Eurojust thereof.

6. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office may/shall rely on the support and resources of the administration of Eurojust. The details of this arrangement shall be regulated by an Agreement. Eurojust shall provide the following services to the European Public Prosecutor’s Office:

   a) technical support in the preparation of the annual budget, the programming document containing the annual and multi-annual programming, and the management plan;
   b) technical support in staff recruitment and career-management;
   c) security services;
   d) Information Technology services;
   e) financial management, accounting and audit services;
   f) any other services of common interest.

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7 AT has suggested to replace "shall" in the first sentence by "may" and to replace the last phrase with the following "The European Public Prosecutor’s Office may in particular make use of the following services:" FR has suggested that Eurojust shall provide "services of common interest" to EPPO, and that provision shall provide that "The details of this arrangement shall be regulated by an Agreement"
Article 58

Relations with Union institutions, agencies and other bodies

1. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall develop a close special relationship with Europol.

To this end, they shall conclude an agreement setting out the modalities of their cooperation.

2. The cooperation established in accordance with paragraph 1 shall entail the exchange of information, including personal data. Any data thus exchanged shall only be used for the purposes for which it was provided. Any other usage of the data shall only be allowed in as far as such usage falls within the mandate of the body receiving the data, and subject to the prior authorisation of the body which provided the data.

3. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall cooperate with the Commission, including OLAF, for the purpose of implementing the obligations under Article 325(3) of the Treaty.

To this end, they shall conclude a working arrangement agreement setting out the modalities of their cooperation.

[3a. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall maintain a close relationship with OLAF, the details of which shall be laid down in a working arrangement.]

4. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office may shall establish and maintain cooperative relations with other Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies.

[...]

8 An amendment of Article 27 in the Europol Regulation may need to be considered in order to ensure reciprocity in the data exchange.

9 The provision may need to be redrafted following
DRAFT EUROJUST REGULATION

[Article 41]

Relations with the European Public Prosecutor’s Office

[1. Eurojust shall establish and maintain a special relationship with the European Public Prosecutor’s Office based on close cooperation and the development of operational, administrative and management links between them as defined below. To this end, the European Public Prosecutor and the President of Eurojust shall meet on a regular basis to discuss issues of common concern.

2. Eurojust shall treat any request for support emanating from the European Public Prosecutor’s Office without undue delay, and shall deal with such requests, where appropriate, as if they had been received from a national authority competent for judicial cooperation.

3. Whenever necessary, Eurojust shall make use of the Eurojust National Coordination Systems established in accordance with Article 20, as well as the relations it has established with third countries, including its liaison magistrates, in order to support the cooperation established in accordance with paragraph 1.

4. The cooperation established in accordance with paragraph 1 shall entail the exchange of information, including personal data. Any data thus exchanged shall only be used for the purposes for which it was provided. Any other usage of the data shall only be allowed in as far as such usage falls within the mandate of the body receiving the data, and subject to the prior authorisation of the body which provided the data.
5. For the purpose of identifying whether information available at Eurojust matches with information processed by the European Public Prosecutor’s Office, Eurojust shall put in place a mechanism for automatic cross-checking of data entered into its Case Management System. Whenever a match is found between data entered into the Case Management System by the European Public Prosecutor’s Office and data entered by Eurojust, the fact that there is a match will be communicated to both Eurojust and the European Public Prosecutor’s Office, as well as the Member State which provided the data to Eurojust. In cases where the data was provided by a third party, Eurojust shall only inform that third party of the match found with the consent of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

6. Eurojust shall designate and inform the European Public Prosecutor’s Office which staff members shall be authorised to have access to the results of the cross-checking mechanism.

7. Eurojust shall support the functioning of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office through services to be supplied by its staff. Such support shall in any case include:

a) technical support in the preparation of the annual budget, the programming document containing the annual and multiannual programming and the management plan;

b) technical support in staff recruitment and career-management;

c) security services;

d) Information Technology services;

e) financial management, accounting and audit services;

f) any other services of common interest.

The details of the services to be provided shall be laid down in an agreement between Eurojust and the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

8. The European Public Prosecutor may address written opinions to the College, to which the College shall respond in writing without undue delay. Such written opinions shall in any case be presented whenever the College adopts the annual budget and work programme.
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10 Depending on how the financial functions foreseen in the Commission proposal for the European Public Prosecutor or the Deputy designated by the European Public Prosecutor should be fulfilled in the current collegial structure of the Office, parts of this Chapter will need to be redrafted.
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5. Where European Delegated Prosecutors act within the framework of the tasks of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office, the relevant expenditure related to these activities shall be regarded as operational expenditure.

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**Article 50**

Establishment of the budget

1. Each year the Deputy of the European Public Prosecutor referred to in Article 48 shall draw up a provisional draft estimate of the revenue and expenditure of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office for the following financial year. The European Public Prosecutor shall, on the basis of that draft, produce a provisional draft estimate of the revenue and expenditure of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office for the following financial year.

2. The provisional draft estimate of the revenue and expenditure of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall be sent to the Commission no later than 31 January each year. The European Public Prosecutor shall send a final draft estimate, which shall include a draft establishment plan, to the Commission by 31 March.

3. The Commission shall send the statement of estimates to the

**Article 49**

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1. Each year the Administrative Director shall draw up a draft statement of estimates of Eurojust’s revenue and expenditure together, for the following financial year, including the establishment plan, and send it to the College Executive Board. [The European Public Prosecutor's Office,\(^{11}\)] the European Judicial Network and other networks referred to in Article 39 shall be informed on the parts related to their activities in due time before forwarding the estimate to the Commission.

2. The College Executive Board shall, on the basis of that draft, produce prepare a provisional draft estimate of Eurojust’s revenue and expenditure for the following financial year. The provision shall be forwarded to the College for adoption.

**Article 60**

Establishment of the budget

1. Each year the Executive Director shall draw up a draft statement of estimates of Europol’s revenue and expenditure for the following financial year, including the establishment plan, and send it to the Management Board.

2. The Management Board shall, on the basis of that draft, produce adopt a provisional draft estimate of Europol’s revenue and expenditure for the following financial year. The provision shall be forwarded to the College for adoption.

3. The Management Board shall send a final draft estimate, which shall include a draft establishment plan, to the Commission, the European Parliament and the Council by 31 March.

\(^{11}\) The reference to the EPPO is in square brackets as it is outside the scope of the general approach.
European Parliament and the Council (the budgetary authority) together with the draft general budget of the Union.

4. On the basis of the statement of estimates, the Commission shall enter in the draft general budget of the Union the estimates it considers necessary for the establishment plan and the amount of the contribution to be charged to the general budget, which it shall submit to the budgetary authority in accordance with Articles 313 and 314 of the Treaty.

5. The budgetary authority shall authorise the appropriations for the contribution of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

6. The budgetary authority shall adopt the establishment plan of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

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8. Eurojust's budget shall be adopted by the College. It shall become final following final adoption of the general budget of the European Union. Where necessary, it shall be adjusted accordingly. 

8. For any project, in particular building projects likely to have significant implications for the Eurojust's budget, the provisions of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1271/2013 shall apply. 

9. Except in cases of force majeure referred to in Article 203 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 shall deliberate upon the building project within four weeks of its receipt by both institutions. The building project shall be deemed approved at the expiry of this four-week period, unless the European Parliament or the Council take a decision contrary to the proposal within that period of time. If the European Parliament or the Council raise duly justified concerns within that four-week period, that period shall be extended accordingly. 

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10. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office may finance a budget acquisition project through a loan subject to prior approval of the budgetary authority in accordance with Article 203(8) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012.

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5. In accordance with Article 148(1) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, the Court of Auditors shall, by 1 June of the following year at the latest, make its observations on the provisional accounts of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

6. On receipt of the Court of Auditors’ observations on the provisional accounts of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office pursuant to Article 148 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, the accounting officer of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall draw up its final accounts under his/her own responsibility and submit them to the College/Executive Board for an opinion.

7. The accounting officer of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall, by 1 July following each financial year, send the final accounts to the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission, the Court of Auditors and national Parliaments, together with the College/Executive Board’s opinion.

8. The final accounts shall be published in the Official Journal of the European Union by 15 November of the following year.

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5. The Management Board shall deliver an opinion on Europol’s final accounts.

6. The **Executive Director** of Europol's accounting officer shall, by 1 July following each financial year, send the final accounts to the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission, the Court of Auditors and national Parliaments, together with the Management Board’s opinion.

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<td>10.</td>
<td>The deputy of the European Public Prosecutor referred to in Article 48 shall submit to the European Parliament, at the latter's request, any information required for the smooth application of the discharge procedure for the financial year in question in accordance with Article 165(3) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1271/2013.</td>
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11. On a recommendation from the Council acting by a qualified majority, the European Parliament, shall, before 15 May of year N + 2, give a discharge to the deputy of the European Public Prosecutor referred to in Article 48 in respect of the implementation of the budget for year N.

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<td>1. The financial rules applicable to Eurojust shall be adopted by the Executive Board/College in accordance with Commission delegated [Regulation 2343/2002 No. 1271/2013 of 23 December 2002 30 September 2013 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies referred to in Article 109(3) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1271/2013 in accordance with Article 165(3) of Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No 966/2012.</td>
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<td>1. The Staff Regulations of the European Union and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union and the rules adopted by agreement between the institutions of the European Union for giving effect to those Staff Regulations and those Conditions of Employment of Other Servants shall apply to the members of the College European Public Prosecutor, the Deputies and the staff of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office, unless otherwise stipulated in this Section.</td>
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<td>2. Eurojust staff shall consist of staff recruited according to the rules and regulations applicable to officials and other servants of the European Union, taking into account all the criteria referred to in Article 27 of the Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union laid down by Regulation (EEC, Euratom, ECSC) No 259/68, including their <strong>1a. The staff of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall be recruited according to the rules and regulations applicable to officials.</strong></td>
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Employment shall be exercised by the European Public Prosecutor with respect to the staff of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

3. The European Public Prosecutor shall adopt appropriate implementing rules to the Staff Regulations and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants in accordance with Article 110 of the Staff Regulations. The European Public Prosecutor shall also adopt staff resource programming as part of the programming document.

4. The Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the European Union shall apply to the European Public Prosecutor’s Office and its staff.

5. European Delegated Prosecutors shall be engaged as Special Advisors in accordance with Articles 5, 123 and 124 of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union. The competent national authorities shall facilitate the exercise of the functions of European Delegated Prosecutors under this Regulation.

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**Article 16**

**Functioning of the Executive Board**

2. The Executive Board shall also:

   c) adopt appropriate implementing rules to the Staff Regulations and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants in accordance with Article 110 of the Staff Regulations;

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**Article 14**

**Functions of the Management Board**

1. The Management Board shall:

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2. Europol staff shall consist of temporary staff and/or contract staff. The Management Board shall be informed on a yearly basis in so far as the Director grants contracts of indefinite duration. The Management Board shall decide which temporary posts provided for in the establishment plan can be filled only by staff engaged from the competent authorities of the Member States. Staff recruited to occupy such posts shall be temporary agents and may be awarded only fixed-term contracts renewable once for a fixed period.

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2. The powers conferred on the appointing authority by the Staff Regulations and by the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants to conclude Contracts of Employment shall be exercised by the European Chief Public Prosecutor with respect to the staff of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

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15. See footnote 60 in doc 15100/15, which states that the term of office of EDP’s according to Article 15(1) shall be discussed in this context.
### Article 55

**Seconded national experts and other staff**

1. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office may make use of Seconded national experts or other persons not employed by it. The Seconded national experts shall be subject to the authority of the European Public Prosecutor in the exercise of tasks related to the functions of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

2. The European Public Prosecutor shall adopt a decision laying down rules on the secondment of national experts to the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

### Article 54

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2. The College shall adopt a decision laying down rules on the secondment of national experts to Eurojust.

### Article 58

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1. Europol may make use of seconded national experts or other staff not employed by the agency.

2. The Management Board shall adopt a decision laying down rules on the secondment of national experts to Europol.

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### CHAPTER IX

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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**Article 64**

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### Article 62

**Legal status and operating conditions**

1. In each of the Member States the European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall enjoy the most extensive legal capacity accorded to legal persons under their laws. It may, in particular, acquire and dispose of movable and immovable property and be party to legal proceedings.

2. The necessary arrangements concerning the accommodation provided for the European Public Prosecutor’s Office and the facilities made available by the host Member State together with the specific rules applicable in that Member State to the European Public Prosecutor, his/her Deputies and their staff, and members of their families, shall be laid down in a Headquarters Agreement concluded between the European Public Prosecutor’s Office and the host Member State no later than [2 years after the entry into force of this regulation].

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**Europol shall be a body an agency of the Union. It shall have legal personality.**

1. In each of the Member States Europol shall enjoy the most extensive legal capacity accorded to legal persons under their laws. Europol may, in particular, acquire and dispose of movable and immovable property and be party to legal proceedings.

2. In accordance with Protocol N° 6 on the location of the seats of the institutions and of certain bodies, agencies and departments of the European Union, annexed to the Treaties, the seat of Europol shall be have its seat in The Hague, in the Netherlands.

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3. The host Member State of the European Public Prosecutor's Office shall provide the best possible conditions to ensure the functioning of the European Public Prosecutor's Office, including multilingual, European-oriented schooling and appropriate transport connections.

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18 See the current Article 23(5): "Investigations carried out under the authority of the European Public Prosecutor's Office shall be protected by the rules concerning professional secrecy under the applicable Union legislation. Any person participating or assisting in carrying out the functions of the European Public Prosecutor's Office shall be bound to respect professional secrecy as provided under the applicable law"; according to doc 15100/15, this provision shall be included in Article 64.
shall also apply after leaving office or employment or after the termination of the activities of the persons referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2.

4. The obligation of confidentiality shall apply to all information received by the European Public Prosecutor’s Office, unless that information has already been made public or is accessible to the public.

5. Members and the staff of the European Data Protection Supervisor shall be subject to the obligation of confidentiality with respect to any information which has come to their knowledge in the course of the performance of their tasks.

3 The obligation of confidentiality shall also apply after leaving office or employment or after the termination of the activities of the persons referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2.

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12. The Data Protection Officer and his/her staff shall be bound by the obligation of confidentiality in accordance with Article 69.

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1. Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 shall apply to documents which relate to the administrative tasks of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

2. The European Public Prosecutor shall, within six months of the date of its establishment, adopt the detailed rules for applying Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.

3. Decisions taken by the European Public Prosecutor’s Office under Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 may form the subject of a complaint to the Ombudsman or of an action before the Court of Justice of the European Union, under the conditions laid down in Articles 228 and 263 of the Treaty respectively.

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### Article 69
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1. The contractual liability of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall be governed by the law applicable to the contract in question.

2. The Court of Justice of the European Union shall have jurisdiction to give judgment pursuant to any arbitration clause contained in a contract concluded by the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

3. In the case of non-contractual liability, the European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall, in accordance with the general principles common to the laws of the Member States and independently of any liability under Article 47, make good any damage caused by the European Public Prosecutor’s Office or its staff in the performance of their duties.

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**Liability other than liability for unauthorised or incorrect processing of data**

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3. In the case of non-contractual liability, Eurojust shall, in accordance with the general principles common to the laws of the Member States and independently of any liability under Article 47, make good any damage caused by the College or the staff of Eurojust in the performance of their duties.

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2. The Court of Justice of the European Union shall have jurisdiction to give judgment pursuant to any arbitration clause in a contract concluded by Europol.

3. Without prejudice to Article 52, in the case of non-contractual liability, Europol shall, in accordance with the general principles common to the laws of the Member States, make good any damage caused by its departments or by its staff in the performance of their duties.

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4. Paragraph 3 shall also apply to damage caused through the fault of a European Delegated Prosecutor in the performance of his duties.

5. The Court of Justice of the European Union shall have jurisdiction in disputes over compensation for damages referred to in paragraph 3.

6. The national courts of the Member States competent to deal with disputes involving the liability of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office as referred to in this Article shall be determined by reference to Council Regulation (EC) No 44/2001.

7. The personal liability of its staff towards the European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall be governed by the provisions laid down in the Staff Regulations or Conditions of Employment applicable to them.

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4. Paragraph 3 shall also apply to damage caused through the fault of a national member, a deputy or an Assistant in the performance of their duties. However, when he or she is acting on the basis of the powers granted to him or her pursuant to Article 8, his or her Member State of origin shall reimburse Eurojust the sums which Eurojust has paid to make good such damage.

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Article 70

Reporting

1. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall issue an Annual Report on its general activities. It shall transmit this report to the European Parliament and to national Parliaments, as well as to the Council and the Commission.

2. The European Public Prosecutor shall appear once a year before the European Parliament and the Council to give account of the general activities of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office, taking into account the obligation of discretion and confidentiality. Upon request, he/she shall also appear before the Commission.

3. National Parliaments may invite the European Public Prosecutor or European Delegated Prosecutors to participate in an exchange of views in relation to the general activities of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office.

Article 55

Involvement of the European Parliament Institutions and national Parliaments

1. Eurojust shall transmit its Annual Report to the European Parliament, the Council and national Parliaments, which may present observations and conclusions.

2. The President of the College shall appear before the European Parliament or the Council, at their request, to discuss matters relating to Eurojust, and in particular to present its Annual Reports, taking into account the obligations of discretion and confidentiality. Discussions shall not refer directly or indirectly to concrete actions in relation with specific operational cases.

3. In addition to the other obligations of information and consultation set out in this regulation, Eurojust shall transmit to the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission and national Parliaments.

Article 7

Member States’ Cooperation with Europol

Europol National Units

10. Each year Europol shall draw up an annual report on the quantity and quality of information provided by each Member State pursuant to paragraph 5(a) and on the performance of its National Unit on the basis of the quantitative and qualitative evaluation criteria defined by the Management Board. The annual report shall be sent to the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission and national Parliaments.

See Art 6a.
Office. Parliament and to national Parliaments in the respective official languages for information:

a) the results of studies and strategic projects elaborated or commissioned by Eurojust;

b) working arrangements concluded with third parties;

c) the annual report of the European Data Protection Supervisor.

2. Eurojust shall transmit its Annual Report to the national Parliaments. Eurojust shall also transmit to the national Parliaments the documents referred to in paragraph 3.

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2. Without prejudice to Article 9, the first appointment of two of the Deputies to the European Public Prosecutor, to be chosen by lot, shall be made for a period of 6 years.

3. Member States shall remain competent until the date on which the European Public Prosecutor's Office has been set up and assumed its tasks in accordance with Article 75(2). The European Public Prosecutor's Office shall exercise its competence with regard to any offence within its competence committed after that date. The European Public Prosecutor's Office may also exercise its competence with regard to any offence within its competence committed before that date if no competent national authority is already investigating or prosecuting it.

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**Article 72**

**Administrative rules and programme documents**

The European Public Prosecutor shall:

a) adopt each year the programming document containing annual and multi-annual programming of the European Public Prosecutor’s Office;

b) adopt an anti-fraud strategy, which is proportionate to the fraud risks having regard to the cost-benefit of the measures to be implemented;

c) adopt rules for the prevention and management of conflicts of interest in respect of the European Delegated Prosecutors;

d) adopt rules on the status, performance criteria, rights and obligations of the Deputies and the European Delegated Prosecutors, as well as the rotation of European Delegates.

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**Article 16a**

**Annual and multi-annual programming**

1. By [30 November each year] the College shall adopt a programming document containing a multi-annual and annual work programme, based on a draft put forward by the Administrative Director and approved by the Executive Board. It shall forward it to the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission. The work programme shall become definitive after final adoption of the general budget and if necessary shall be adjusted accordingly.

2. The annual work programme shall comprise detailed objectives and expected results including performance indicators. It shall also contain a description of the actions to be financed and an indication of the cost-benefit of the measures to be implemented.

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**Article 15**

**Annual and multi-annual work programme programming**

1. The Management Board shall adopt the programming document containing the multiannual programming and the annual work programme the latest by 30 November each year, based on a draft put forward by the Executive Director, taking into account the opinion of the Commission and in relation to the multiannual programming after consulting the European Parliament and national Parliaments. It shall forward it to the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission and national Parliaments.

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29 Formerly Article 15 of the Commission proposal.

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| f) adopt rules on the modalities of giving feedback to persons or entities which have provided information to the European Public Prosecutor’s Office; |
| g) adopt detailed rules concerning the application of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 in its activities; |

| financial and human resources allocated to each action, in accordance with the principles of activity-based budgeting and management. The annual work programme shall be coherent with the multi-annual work programme referred to in paragraph 4. It shall clearly indicate which tasks have been added, changed or deleted in comparison with the previous financial year. |
| 3. The Executive Board shall amend the adopted annual work programme when a new task is given to Eurojust. Any substantial amendment to the annual work programme shall be adopted by the same procedure as the initial annual work programme. The Executive Board may delegate to the Administrative Director the power to make non-substantial amendments to the annual work programme, while keeping the Executive Board informed of any such amendment. |
| 4. The multi-annual work programme shall set out overall financial and human resources, including performance indicators. It shall also contain a description of the actions to be financed and an indication of the financial and human resources allocated to each action, in accordance with the principles of activity-based budgeting and management. The annual work programme shall be coherent with the multi-annual work programme referred to in paragraphs 4-1 and 1a. It shall clearly indicate tasks that have been added, changed or deleted in comparison with the previous financial year. |

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The multi-annual programme shall be implemented through annual work programmes and shall, where appropriate, be updated following the outcome of external and internal evaluations. The conclusion of these evaluations shall also be reflected, where appropriate, in the annual work programme for the following year.

### Article 73

**Notifications**

Each Member State shall designate the authorities which are competent

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31 See Footnote 60 in doch 15100/15, according to which the current rule in Article 17(3) on notification of substantive law provisions should be further developed and moved to the final provisions.
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**Entry into force**

1. This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

2. The European Public Prosecutor’s Office shall assume the investigative and prosecutorial tasks conferred on it by this Regulation on a date to be determined by a decision of the Commission on a proposal of the European Public Prosecutor once the European Public Prosecutor's Office is set up. The decision of the Commission shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

*It shall apply from XXX* 33.

### Article 68
**Entry into force**

1. This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

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2. *It shall apply from XXX* 33.

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