

SIS II Supervision Coordination Group

10th meeting Brussels, 14 November 2017

Summary

The Supervision Coordination Group of the Schengen Information System (SIS II) met on 14 November 2017 in Brussels, hosted by the European Parliament.

Election of a new chair

Mr David Cauchi, representative of the Maltese DPA, was elected as new chair of the Group.

Adopted documents

The Group adopted a report "overview of access to the Schengen Information System II" (*note: I suggest adding a link as soon as public version is agreed on*). This report aims at providing an overview of how access to the SIS II is being performed in practice at national level in order to identify and implement new actions for the Group and its Members. The report should be read taking into account that the new legal framework brought the possibility of making direct queries in the SIS II and that the use of national copies may have relevant impact in the system security.

Discussions

The Group analysed answers from the competent authorities of each Member State to a questionnaire on logging at national level and discussed preliminary findings.

The Group also discussed the national criteria used by Member States for introducing alerts on the basis of Article 24 of the SIS II Regulation, also in view of the pending proposals of the European Commission that amend the SIS II legal basis.

A Representative of the European Commission (DG HOME) was invited for a discussion during a part of the meeting, on recent developments, especially with regard to the ongoing SIS II legislative proposals.

The Data Protection Officer of eu-LISA was also invited to update the Group on recent developments regarding the SIS II central system.

Organisational issues

The next meeting of the SIS II SCG will be held on 12 June 2018.

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