



*Visa Information System Supervision Coordination Group
10th meeting on 13 June 2017*

Summary report

The 10th meeting of the Visa Information System Supervision Coordination Group ('VIS SCG') was hosted at the European Parliament on 13 June 2017. The VIS SCG meeting was organised back-to-back with the Schengen Information System SCG and the Eurodac SCG as usual.

The Group, which comprises national Data Protection Authorities ('DPAs') and the European Data Protection Supervisor ('EDPS'), each acting within their own competences, is tasked with ensuring coordinated data protection supervision of the VIS.

The Group invited, as it regularly does, representatives of the Commission and the data protection officer of the European Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice ('eu-LISA'). The data protection officer of eu-LISA updated the group on the overall performance of the VIS and the latest developments related to the quality of data in the system. The representative of the Commission (DG Migration and Home Affairs) then gave a presentation on the proposed Smart Borders package that is currently under negotiations between the EU co-legislators, focusing on the main aspects of relevance for the visa procedure and the VIS.

The Group discussed and exchanged views on a draft report on the implementation of Article 41 of the VIS Regulation, which relates to the data protection audit of national systems that DPAs shall carry out at least every four years. The draft report is based on answers from the Members of the Group to a questionnaire on this specific provision.

The Secretariat presented the draft VIS Activity Report for the period of 2015-2016; one part of the Activity Report will be dedicated to national reports from each Member of the VIS SCG in accordance with the requirement of the VIS Regulation in Article 43(4).

Finally, the Members of the Group updated their colleagues with information about their national inspections or other relevant developments at national level.

The next meeting of the VIS SCG will be held in autumn 2017.