



*Visa Information System Supervision Coordination Group
11th meeting on 15 November 2017*

Summary report

The 11th meeting of the Visa Information System Supervision Coordination Group ('VIS SCG') was hosted at the European Parliament on 15 November 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 of the overall evaluation of the VIS and the recommendations regarding the need for revision or extension of the VIS functions, and informed the Group of the two public consultations launched in relation to the future of the VIS.

The Group had further exchange of 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 Group also had further exchange of views on the data protection law applicable to external service providers.

The VIS SCG finalised and adopted its Activity Report for the period of 2015-2016; one part of the Activity Report is 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 Spring 2018.