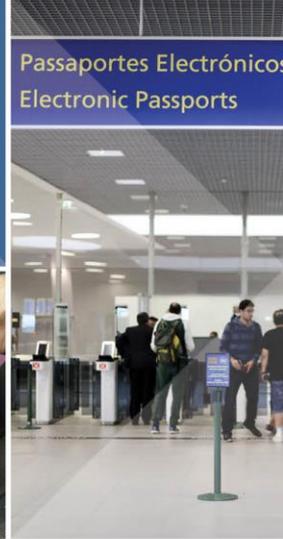




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# SECURITY UNION

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*The time for action has come. In the area of security, as in many other areas in Europe, fragmentation is what makes us vulnerable. Europe needs a genuine Security Union.*

Jean-Claude Juncker, European Parliament, 12 April 2016

# PAVING THE WAY TOWARDS A GENUINE SECURITY UNION



The only way to counter terrorism, organised crime, and cybercrime is to **pool our resources and intelligence and to work together**

There is **no freedom without security**, and there is no effective security without effective **cooperation and information exchange**.



SECURITY UNION



EUROPEAN AGENDA ON SECURITY



## PREVENTING RADICALISATION

### Extremist propaganda and hate speech

#### EU INTERNET REFERRAL UNIT AT EUROPOL

**>12.000** referrals **94%** led to content **being removed**

**44** operational cases supported by **Internet investigative support**

#### IT COMPANIES AND THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Code of conduct



Signed to combat the spread of **illegal hate speech online** in Europe

#### EU INTERNET FORUM

EU Interior Ministers, Internet companies, Europol, and the EU Counter Terrorism Coordinator **working together**



Joint Referral Platform



To improve speed and effectiveness

### Prevention, education and rehabilitation

#### RADICALISATION AWARENESS NETWORK CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

- hub for connecting, developing and disseminating expertise
- **over 2,400 frontline practitioners**
- **€25 million** additional funding for the next 4 years

#### PRISONS

- **€8 million** for rehabilitation and deradicalisation programmes, risk assessment tools and training of professionals

#### EDUCATION AND YOUTH OUTREACH

- Erasmus+ programmes fostering inclusion and promoting fundamental values
- **€400 million** for new policies and projects
- an additional **€13 million** for grassroots initiatives

## STRENGTHENING THE MANAGEMENT OF OUR BORDERS



### EUROPEAN BORDER AND COAST GUARD

New reinforced Agency



With support from national authorities

### SCHENGEN BORDERS CODE

Introducing **mandatory checks at the external borders**



On **all persons, including EU citizens**

### BETTER USE OF IT SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGIES

#### → **SCHENGEN INFORMATION SYSTEM :**

Sharing of information on wanted or missing persons and objects

**75,000 alerts**



**300% increase**  
compared to June 2013

**3 billion searches**  
In 2015



**50% increase**  
compared to 2014

→ **EURODAC:** database for asylum applications

→ **VISA INFORMATION SYSTEM:** managing visa applications

→ **EU ENTRY-EXIT SYSTEM :** speeding-up, facilitating and reinforcing border check procedures for **non-EU nationals travelling to the EU** (implemented by 2020)

→ **EUROPEAN TRAVEL INFORMATION AND AUTHORISATION SYSTEM:** pre-travel assessment for EU visa-exempt travellers

## IMPROVING INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND OPERATIONAL COOPERATION

### REINFORCING EUROPOL: EUROPEAN COUNTER TERRORISM CENTRE

- launched on 1 January 2016 to facilitate **coordination and cooperation** between national authorities
- future **law enforcement intelligence hub**

### EUROPEAN CRIMINAL RECORDS INFORMATION SYSTEM

- created in 2012: **electronic interconnection of criminal records databases**
- being extended to **third country nationals**
- over **100,000 messages** exchanged between national authorities each month

### PASSENGER NAME RECORD DIRECTIVE

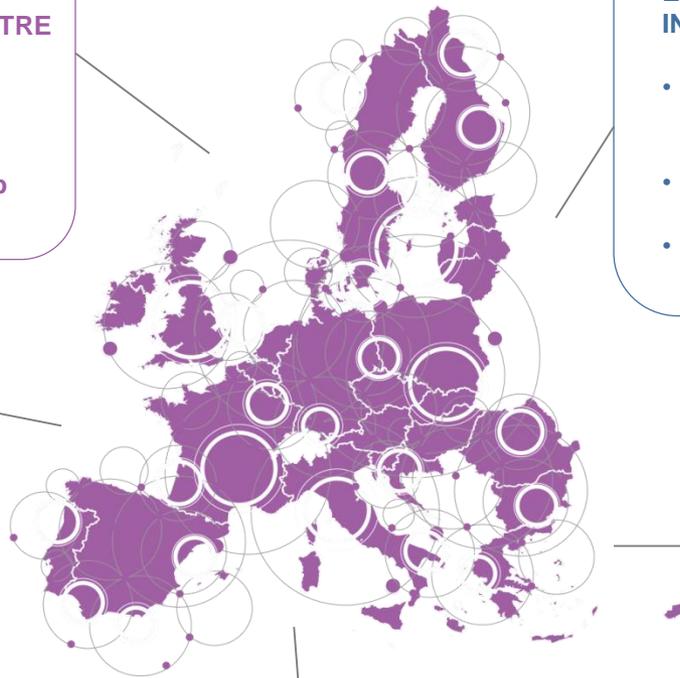
- adopted on 21 April 2016: **regulates the transmission of passenger data** by air carriers to Member States
- contains **robust safeguards** for privacy, data protection and the respect of fundamental rights
- data may only be **processed** for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences and serious crime

### COMMON RISK INDICATORS

- concerns foreign terrorist fighters
- supports the work of **national border authorities** when conducting checks
- helps prevent criminals escaping detection by travelling through another Member State

### PRÜM FRAMEWORK

- **DNA** analysis files
- **fingerprint** identification systems
- **vehicle** registration data



## CUTTING THE ACCESS OF TERRORISTS TO FINANCING



**Directive criminalizing the financing** of terrorist attacks and related activities

**FIU.net** – decentralised computer network of the Member States' Financial Intelligence Units

**Action Plan to:**

- Prevent the movement of funds and identify terrorist funding
- Disrupt sources of revenue for terrorist organisations

**List of third countries** with deficiencies in their regimes on anti-money laundering and countering terrorist financing

- **EU legislation** against illicit cash movements
- **Mutual recognition** of criminal asset freezing and confiscation orders, and a proposal on combatting fraud and counterfeiting on non-cash means of payment

## PROTECTING EUROPEANS AGAINST FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES



Deactivated firearms are rendered irreversibly inoperable



Making it more difficult to acquire firearms in the European Union



Better tracking of legally held firearms



Limiting terrorists' access to explosive precursors and detonators



Restricting access to illegal firearms and explosives



Strengthening cooperation between Member States

## PROMOTING THE SECURITY RESEARCH AND INNOVATION DIMENSION

” *The history of international security is also the history of technological innovation*

2016 World Economic Forum Global Risks Report

### HORIZON 2020 SECURE SOCIETIES RESEARCH AND INNOVATION PROGRAMME



**€200 million**  
in the past year to over  
**30 research projects**  
that will offer innovative  
security solutions

The European Commission supports the EU security industry through:

- **Harmonisation of standards and certification procedures for security technologies** - first targeting airport screening equipment and alarm systems
- **New funding schemes** - to reduce the gap between research and market
- **Better exploitation of synergies** - between civilian and defence research

## DEVELOPING THE EXTERNAL DIMENSION

**STRENGTHENING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL SECURITY**

**REINFORCING EU AGENCIES**  
Such as Europol, Eurojust, Frontex and CEPOL.

### **Security and counter-terrorism experts deployed in EU Delegations**

Algeria, Iraq, Jordan, Morocco, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia and Turkey.

**The network will be expanded in the second half of 2016:**

Lebanon and Pakistan Delegations - with bilateral mandates

Chad and Bosnia-Herzegovina Delegations - with regional mandates for the Sahel and the Western Balkans



## NEXT STEPS



### PREVENTING RADICALISATION

Radicalisation Awareness Network High Level Conference

December 2016: EU Internet Forum meeting

Directive on combating terrorism

24/7 referral service and real time access to referral information for Member States' investigators



### STRENGTHENING THE MANAGEMENT OF OUR BORDERS

European Travel Information and Authorisation System

Action Plan on document security

Adoption of the Entry/Exit system

Revise the Schengen Information System to improve its added value for law enforcement purposes

Automated fingerprint search functionality added to the Schengen Information System



### IMPROVING INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND OPERATIONAL COOPERATION

EU Passenger Name Record Directive implementation plan

European Parliament and Council agreement to extend the European Criminal Records Information System to third country nationals

From Spring 2017, the Europol Regulation will apply, making Europol a hub for information exchange between law enforcement authorities in the EU

Address the problems of obtaining digital evidence in relation to criminal investigations



### CUTTING THE ACCESS OF TERRORISTS TO FINANCING

Harmonising money laundering criminal offences and sanctions

Proposal against illicit cash movement

Mutual recognition of criminal assets' freezing and confiscation orders

Directive on combatting fraud and counterfeiting of non-cash payments

Reinforcing customs' powers and cooperation and addressing terrorism financing related to trade in goods

Report on a supranational assessment of money laundering and terrorism financing risks

Proposal against illicit trade in cultural goods



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