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Subject: Follow-up to the evaluation of the EU Policy Cycle 2011 - 2013

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According to action 20 of the EU Policy Cycle<sup>1</sup>, an evaluation of the first 2 years is to be carried out in order to integrate the lessons learned from the first cycle into the next policy cycle 2014-2017.

A debate was held at the COSI meeting of 11 February 2013 based on a Commission Staff Working Document<sup>2</sup> taking into account the evaluation-related documents presented to COSI so far and putting forward several proposals and questions.

The table in annex recalls the main topics of discussion with possible follow-up actions and indications on the concerned parties and the timeframe.

Delegations are invited to examine the different points and to explore how these matters could now be taken forward in practice.

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<sup>1</sup> 11050/11 JAI 396 COSI 46 ENFOPOL 184 CRIMORG 81 ENFOCUSTOM 52 PESC 718  
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<b>Issue</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Comment</b>
<b>Member States commitment</b>				
Timely appointment of Drivers	MS responsibility (national process + link with JHA Counsellors)	COSI (SG)	Before MASPs workshops (see timeline)	In line with SOCTA (mostly affected MS)
Proper empowerment of NECs and Drivers + national implementation of EU priorities	MS responsibility - possible reminder when collecting list of "relevant actors"	COSI (SG)	see timeline	
Input data to Europol	Call for better identification when sending information resulting from a specific crime priority or EMPACT project. Alignment between Priority and FP membership	MS Europol		Involvement of HENUs for proper implementation through MS national mechanisms
<b>National EMPACT Coordinator</b>				
Attendance of NEC meeting	Prepare comprehensive agenda / discussion points (Europol Director report available) Timely "strong" invitation letter Early registration to allow attendance check	EMPACT SU with IE PRD	end of March end of April	
NEC role in the national structures	Debate at next NEC meeting on basis of discussion paper (incl. CCWP evaluation)	IE PRD EMPACT SU	NEC meeting 14-15 May Paper to be prepared by mid-April	
Detailed discussion of OAPs 2013	Timely reporting	Drivers EMPACT SU	end of April early May	To feed the NEC meeting agenda
Detailed discussion on new priorities 2014-2017	Explain what is expected from NECs (MS participation and commitment in/for a priority), EMPACT ToR for responsibilities of drivers, instructions for MASPs and OAPs participants	EMPACT SU with IE PRD	end of March	

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<b>Improvement to PC process in 2013</b>				
Specific threat assessments for each priority	Spontaneous offer from SOCTA team	Europol		To be further discussed
Better MASPs and OAPs	Templates to be amended Training for participants	PRD, COM, Europol, CEPOL	Before start of workshops (see timeline)	Modules already planned
"Policy cycle in a nutshell"	Europol leaflet already available CEPOL capacity to produce another document?	COSI SG		To be further discussed
Ensure flexibility and quick availability of funding	- Use ISF shared management to support implementation of policy cycle at national level (national programming with NECs) - Pursue the possibility of "indirect central management" within ISF system in Europol (for EMPACT actions) - Possible simplification of the funding process	MS COM NECs		Current MFF discussions
Flexibility with the priorities and actions during the cycle	To be submitted on case by case basis to COSI	Drivers NECs		(Policy Cycle mechanism) Critical review to be conducted by NECs
<b>Synergies with external EU actions and policies</b>				
Coherence with EU external actions and policies	Projects financed under ISF Third States assistance (WA-WB matrices) CSDP missions	COM EEAS		
Involvement of Interpol	Better integration of Interpol initiatives in the relevant OAPs	Europol Interpol		Supported by several MS in COSI