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Subject:	Timeline for the EU Policy Cycle activities in 2015

Delegations will find in annex a table outlining the steps to be taken in 2015 related to the EU Policy Cycle 2014-2017. This table includes the provisional dates of the meetings provided by the Luxembourg Presidency.

They are presented as a timeline (chronological order) and the activities are foreseen according to the Council Conclusions on the creation and implementation of a EU Policy Cycle for organised and serious international crime (doc. 15358/10).

This document aims to assist Member States in planning their participation and involvement in the various steps to be undertaken. However, it should be noted that the **dates given in the attached schedule are indicative only** and are subject to confirmation through official invitations.

<i>Date / Timeframe</i>	<i>Activity / description</i>	<i>Leaders / remarks</i>
2015		
January	Implementation of the new actions	Start of OAPs 2015
January -February	Kick off meetings for the OAPs 2015	Drivers and EMPACT SU
13 March	EU Interim SOCTA 2015 - executive summary finalised + forwarding to Council (via GSC)	Europol (SOCTA Team)
26 March	COSI - General follow-up of OAPs - Presentation and discussion of Interim SOCTA (<i>action 40 of PC</i>) and list of affected MS	
2-6 April	<i>Easter break</i>	
30 April	Drivers reports sent to EMPACT SU (monitoring OAPs 2015/1)	Drivers
Mid May	Preparation NEC meeting: - Closing reports OAPs 2014 - Monitoring OAPs 2015/1 - Draft topics for NEC discussion - Reports to be sent to National Coordinators	PR and EMPACT SU
28/29 May	National EMPACT Coordinators meeting (2015/1): - Closing reports OAPs 2014 - First assessment OAPs 2015	PR Europol (EMPACT SU) Commission NECs Drivers
10 June	Reports sent to GSC (closing reports OAPs 2014 - monitoring 2015/1 - NEC meeting)	EMPACT SU PR

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29 June	COSI - NEC meeting report - Closing reports OAPs 2014 - Monitoring OAPs 2015/1 - Independent evaluation mechanism (<i>action 42 of PC</i>) - information on the state of play by the Commission	
29 September	COSI - (poss.) Discussion of the customer requirements for the SOCTA 2017 - State of play of an independent evaluation mechanism (<i>action 42 of PC</i>)	Europol
October	Drafting of OAPs 2016 (workshops at Europol)	Drivers EMPACT SU
30 October	Drivers' reports sent to EMPACT SU (monitoring OAPs 2015/2)	Drivers
mid November	Preparation NEC meeting: - Monitoring OAPs 2015/2 - OAPs 2016 - Draft topics for NEC discussion - Reports to be sent to National Coordinators	PR and EMPACT SU
24 November	COSI - (poss.) Discussion of the reviewed SOCTA methodology	Europol
24-25 November	National EMPACT Coordinators meeting (2015/2): - Discussion of draft OAPs 2016 - Monitoring OAPs 2015/2 - (poss.) follow up assessment on implementation of DA	PR Europol (EMPACT SU) NECs / Drivers Commission

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Early December	Reports sent to GSC: - OAPs 2016 - monitoring 2015/2 by 2 December - Europol Director's report by 4 December - NEC meeting report by 7 December	EMPACT SU PR
16 December	COSI - NEC meeting report - Monitoring OAPs 2015/2 - Approval OAPs 2016 - Adoption of an independent evaluation mechanism (<i>action 42 PC</i>)	PR Europol Commission / MS

2016		
January	Implementation of the new actions	Start of OAPs 2016
January - February	Kick-off meetings 2016	Drivers
June	Commencement of an independent evaluation (<i>action 43 of PC</i>)	Commission