Future Group on Travel Intelligence and Border Management

Brainstorming
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Why another Group or a Future Group?

- Holistic approach (bigger picture)
- Reliable security, screening and identification for Schengen
- Gap between Border Management and other internal security actors
- Support to fight against terrorism and cross-border crime
- Focus on operational and practical aspects
- Cooperation Europol Frontex
- Innovation and modernization of border management
- Support EU and National decision making
- "Soft" national harmonisation to support cooperation
- Risk Management and Risk Profiles (Rules)
- Keep fluidity of border crossing
- Opportunities offered by new Info Systems and Interoperability
- More data and information available for border checks

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## Information Systems for borders and security

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<th>Main (new) Features</th>
<th>Timeline</th>
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<td>(EU) PNR Directive (2016)</td>
<td>• Carrier transmission of PNR data to National PIUs</td>
<td>Transposition: May 2018</td>
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<td>National projects (IWG /PNR)</td>
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<td>• New categories of alerts: return decisions or inquiry checks</td>
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<td>Interoperability Regulation (2019)</td>
<td>• ESP, Shared BMS, CIR, MID and CRRS</td>
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<td>Eurodac Recast Proposal (2016)</td>
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API Directive evaluation in 2019
PNR Directive evaluation in 2020

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EU Information Systems - governance: COM, eu-LISA and Council

**EUROPEAN COMMISSION**
- Interoperability Committee*
- SIS II Committee
- Smart Borders (EES, ETIAS, VIS) Committee
- ECRIS Committee*
- Expert group on Criminal Records
- EURODAC Contact Committee

**eu-LISA Management board**
- Interoperability Advisory group*
- SIS II Advisory group
- EES/ETIAS Advisory group
- VIS Advisory group
- ECRIS Advisory group*
- EURODAC Advisory group

**Council**
- SCIFA: Strategic Committee on Immigration, Frontiers and Asylum
- COSI: Standing Committee on Operational Cooperation on Internal Security
- CATS: Coordinating Committee in the area of police and judicial cooperation in criminal matters
- DAPIX: Working Party on Information Exchange and Data Protection (interoperability)
- Asylum WP: Asylum Working Party (Eurodac)
- Frontiers WP: Working Party on Frontiers (EES and ETIAS)
- COPEN: Working Party on Cooperation in Criminal Matters (ECRIS-TCN)
- Schengen WP: Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS)
- Visa WP: Visa Working Party (VIS)

*Will be formed once the ECRIS and Interoperability legislations have been adopted.

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Europol and Frontex experts groups

PNR IWG

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Thematic scope of the Future Group

**Analysis**
- Security and irregular migration risk profiles, risk indicators.
  - Required data and sources, methodology, training/handbook, feedback from frontline officers and accountability principles

**Decision making**
- Border checks, ETIAS, visa and migration processes (see IBM slide)
  - New/more information systems & data, risk profiles, more matches including multiple identities, targeting, referrals to 2nd line or competent authority, action to take.

**Investigation**
- Frontline officer support
  - Communication channel, intel or information requests, interviews, evidence collection, feedback
INFORMATION SYSTEMS & DECISION MAKING ALONG THE BORDER CONTINUUM

Pre-frontier control
- Schengen visa applicants (VIS)
- Travel authorisation applicant (ETIAS)

Border check
- TCNs crossing external borders (EES)

Migration management
- Asylum applicant (Eurodac)
- Irregular border crossers (Eurodac)
- Irregular stayer (Eurodac recast)
- L/T Visa applicant (VIS proposal)
- Returnees (SIS)

SECURITY CHECKS: SIS, INTERPOL, EUROPOL, ECRIS-TCN

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Composition “Future Group”

- Selection
  - Joint letter Frontex/Europol inviting their MB Members to put forward candidates (?
  - Joint selection max 15 national experts (ensure required expertise)
    - Europol, Frontex, eu-LISA, Commission.
  - Other experts (not in the 15) may still contribute e.g. ad-hoc written contributions or review.

- Thematic expertise required:
  - Border control including EES, ETIAS & API
  - Visa, migration and asylum
  - Police cooperation: SIRENE, ENUs, NCB,
  - CT / Internal Security
  - Criminal investigation including use of PNR (PIU)
  - Analytical, big data, operational processes, information management
  - Other: customs, carriers
Working methods & other practicalities

- Frontex/Europol joint Presidency and Secretariat
- Financing: (?) Travel and accommodation costs
- Terms of reference (to be agreed at kick-off meeting)
- Meetings:
  - Define timeframe and maximum number of meetings and dates in advance
  - Locations: Frontex and Europol HQs, Brussels (?)
- Virtual cooperation platform?
- Establish a validation process of the reports or deliverable (see next slide)
- Reporting to:
  - Management Boards, Executive Management and other Agency’s stakeholders
  - Commission
  - Council: DAPIX, FRONT WP, COSI/SCIFA?

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Deliverables

- Assessment and identification of gaps and needs
- Recommendations:
  - Functional
  - Organisational
  - Policy making (e.g. future API and PNR legislation)
- New Agency’s services required or to be developed
- Outline ideal operational model (options):
  - EU and/or National level
- Format
  - Joint report
  - Joint annual conference