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Subject:	Schengen evaluation of AUSTRIA - Action Plan to remedy any deficiencies identified in the 2015 evaluation report in the field of air borders

Delegations will find annexed the Action Plan to remedy any deficiencies identified in the 2015 evaluation report in the field of air borders provided by Austria on 8 February 2016.

In conformity with Article 16 (2) of Council Regulation (EU) No 1053/2013 of 7 October 2013, Member States are invited to send comments, if any, by **Monday 14 March 2016 (cob)** to schengen.evaluation@consilium.europa.eu.

ACTION PLAN to remedy any deficiencies identified in the evaluation report concerning the 2015 evaluation of Austria
(Article 16 of Regulation 1053/2013)

I. Management of the external border (Air-Border)

- C (2015) 6144 (evaluation report)
- 12253/15 of 30 October 2015 (Council doc; Recommendation)

RECOMMENDATION	PRIORITIZED RECOM YES/NO	PLANNED ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY AUSTRIA	FORESEEN TIME-FRAME
Integrated Border Management Strategy			
1. prepare a concrete multiannual action plan for the implementation of the national plan for the Integrated Border Management;	No	1.1. Prepare a concrete multiannual action plan for the implementation of the national plan for the Integrated Border Management. 1.2. Implement the multiannual action plan. 1.3. Annually review and adjustment of the multiannual action plan.	2016
Inter-agency cooperation			
2. sign the remaining agreements related to inter-agency cooperation also at the national level (Inter-Agency Cooperation);	No	2.1. Approach involved ministries to sign the agreement. 2.2. Implement the agreements by organizing regular semi-annual meetings and ad-hoc-meetings upon request.	2016 2017

Risk analysis system			
3. develop and implement the missing CIRAM 2.0 elements and put the national risk analysis system fully in line with CIRAM 2.0. One important element to develop is a comprehensive strategic risk analysis, including to provide for the capacities for making such analyses;	No	3.1. Amplification of the variety of Risk Analysis according to the Austrian needs. 3.2. Amplify the scope of inter-agency cooperation in the field of Border and Migration Risk Analysis. 3.3. Establish a functional Risk Analysis Process. 3.4. Identify a comprehensive information management. 3.5. Identify relevant hard and software requirements. 3.6. Develop a comprehensive strategic risk analysis. 3.7. Introduction of the different Matrixes acc. to CIRAM 2.0 into analysis 3.8. Implement the different assessments into the Risk Analysis products acc. to CIRAM 2.0 (i.e. Vulnerability, threat, etc.)	2017
4. ensure sufficient resources and harmonization of the quality of work of different actors involved in the risk analysis process;	No	4.1. Identification of the best possible organisational solution for the Austrian Risk Analysis team 4.2. Development of a curricula for Risk Analyst 4.3. Training of the Risk Analysis Team on central level 4.4. Training of the Risk Analysis officers on regional and local level	2018
5. put more focus on assessing the capacity of the border control system for finding possible systematic gaps and vulnerabilities in the national	No	5.1. Establish an “Airborder-Specialist-Board” under coordination of the MoI of all border police stations and relevant authorities and key players. 5.2. Develop approaches to enhance the current system of on-going assessment of the border-control system capacity as well as the	2016

system; for example quality control of first line border checks (language skills, risk profiling) and document checks should be made in a more systematic and thorough manner;		identification of further necessary. Participants are representatives of the MoI, border police stations, NFPOC and other relevant stakeholders. 5.3. Make this a work-package of the Airborder-Specialist-Board.	
6. make special efforts in measuring the level of Austria's border security system to mitigate identified threats and develop tools to indicate areas / procedures which are most vulnerable to specific threats, enabling a swift and sufficient response to different threats and events;	No	6.1. Evaluate the measuring of the level of Austria's border security system to mitigate identified threats 6.2. Develop approaches to indicate possible vulnerable areas / procedures. 6.3. Enhance the quality of the different Matrixes according to CIRAM 2.0 6.4. Implement the different assessments according to CIRAM 2.0 (i.e. vulnerability, threat, etc.) into practice.	2018
7. consider implementing a scheme of temporary secondments between regional units to enable harmonization of the quality of risk analysis among different units and provide for an additional pool of resources if needed;	No	7.1. Evaluate the possibility of annual temporary secondments between airport border police stations in order to enhance the quality of risk analysis. 7.2. Make this a work-package of the Airborder-Specialist-Board.	2016
8. participate in FRAN data collection related to secondary movement of migrants and start to submit requested data;	No	8.1. Evaluate the present situation in FRAN data collection related to secondary movement of migrants improved. 8.2. Develop possible problem-solving approaches.	2016

Training			
9. implement the new border guard training concept giving clear priority to the border police officers working at the international airports;	No	9.1. Evaluate the possibility of implementing the new border-guard training concept within the framework and dependencies of the development of the national basic and advanced police-training concept	2018
10. give more efforts to training of foreign languages (English, Russian and Turkish) for the border police officers working especially in the first line;	No	10.1. Evaluate the on-going language training in general and with focus on English as the main language of international traffic according to the Frontex English Language tool especially for the border police officers working in the first line. 10.2. Develop approaches for enhancing the language training. 10.3. Continue the on-going support of individual language skills with extended coverage of other languages of local importance. 10.4. Make this a work-package of the Airborder-Specialist-Board.	2016
11. strengthen the training related to minors and other vulnerable groups as well as identification of victims of trafficking in human beings. To make full use of training tools provided by Frontex in this regard;	No	11.1. Evaluate the training related to minors and other vulnerable groups as well as identification of victims of trafficking in human beings. 11.2. Evaluate the possible use of available Frontex training material. 11.3. Make this a work-package of the Airborder-Specialist-Board by incorporating the respective national Frontex multiplier.	2016
Border checks			
12. make better use of the Council Directive 2004/82/EC by including more carriers in the national system;	No	12.1. Evaluate the present inclusion of carriers. 12.2. Enhance the use of the Council Directive 2004/82/EC by develop approaches to include more carriers in the national system.	2017

13. pay particular attention to minors when conducting border checks according to Annex VII of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006;	No	13.1. See measures under recommendation 11.	2016
14. ensure that at all airports with General Aviation the General Declaration, including the passengers list, is provided to the Borders Police in advance, in accordance with point 2.3.1 of the Annex VI of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006;	No	<p>14.1. Evaluate the present situation regarding the provision of the General Declaration in accordance with point 2.3.1 of the Annex VI of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006.</p> <p>14.2. Develop approaches to ensure the timely provision of the General Declaration, including the passengers list.</p> <p>14.3. Make this a work-package of the Airborder-Specialist-Board.</p>	2016
15. bring the stamping of the documents of members of the family of a Union citizen who also present their residence card provided for in Directive 2004/38/EC, as well as the positioning of the stamps in line with article 10, Annex IV of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006 and the Schengen Hand-book for Border Guards established by Commission Recommendation;	No	<p>15.1. Evaluate the present situation regarding the stamping of documents of members of the family of a Union citizen who also present their residence card provided for in Directive 2004/38/EC, as well as the positioning of the stamps according to article 10, Annex IV of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006 and the Schengen Hand-book for Border Guards established by Commission Recommendation</p> <p>15.2. Develop approaches to implement necessary trainings.</p> <p>15.3. Make this a work-package of the Airborder-Specialist-Board.</p>	2016

Salzburg Airport			
16. improve the organisation of the second line procedure in such a way that it ensures privacy during the performance of an interview, while keeping an efficient work flow;	No	16.1. Evaluate the present organisation of the second line procedure. 16.2. Develop approaches for enhancements together with the airport authority. 16.3. Make this a work-package of the Airborder-Specialist-Board.	2016
17. bring the position and the quality of the exit control booths in Terminal 1 in line with the recommendations in the Schengen Catalogue, established by the Schengen Evaluation Working Party 6, for "allowing easy risk profiling" and preventing unauthorised observation;		17.1. Evaluate the present position and the quality of the exit control booths in Terminal 1. 17.2. Develop approaches for enhancements together with the airport authority. 17.3. Make this a work-package of the Airborder-Specialist-Board.	2016
Vienna Airport			
18. carry out border checks fully in line with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006, paying special attention to the more thorough verification of all the entry conditions for third country nationals;	No	18.1. Evaluate the compliance of border checks with Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006, paying special attention to the more thorough verification of all the entry conditions for third country nationals improved. 18.2. Develop approaches to ensure compliance.	2016

<p>19. bring the positioning of the entry control booths in Terminal 3 in line with the recommendations in the Schengen Catalogue guaranteeing that it is possible for border guards to oversee the passengers, before the actual entry check takes place;</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>19.1. Evaluate the actual position and the quality of the entry control booths in Terminal 3 together with the airport authority.</p> <p>19.2. Develop approaches for enhancements together with the airport authority.</p> <p>19.3. Make this a work-package of the Airborder-Specialist-Board.</p>	<p>2016</p>
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