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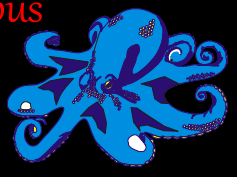
The history of Octopus



1990s:

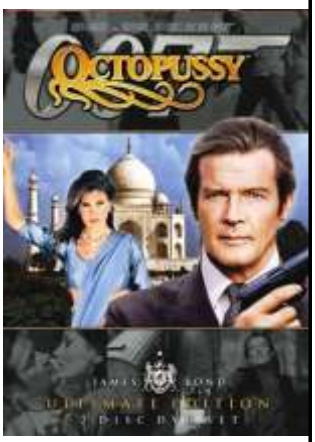
- Measures against corruption and organised crime become important activities of the Council of Europe

- Anti-money laundering Convention 1990
- MONEYVAL
- Conventions on Corruption
- GRECO
- Etc.

1996-98:

- Octopus I Programme of the Council of Europe and European Commission:
  - study threats and measures on corruption and organised in „States in Transition"

Octopus = tentacles of organised crime



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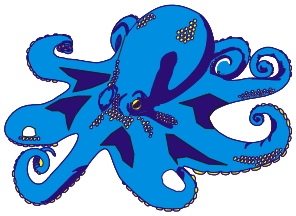
Octopus II

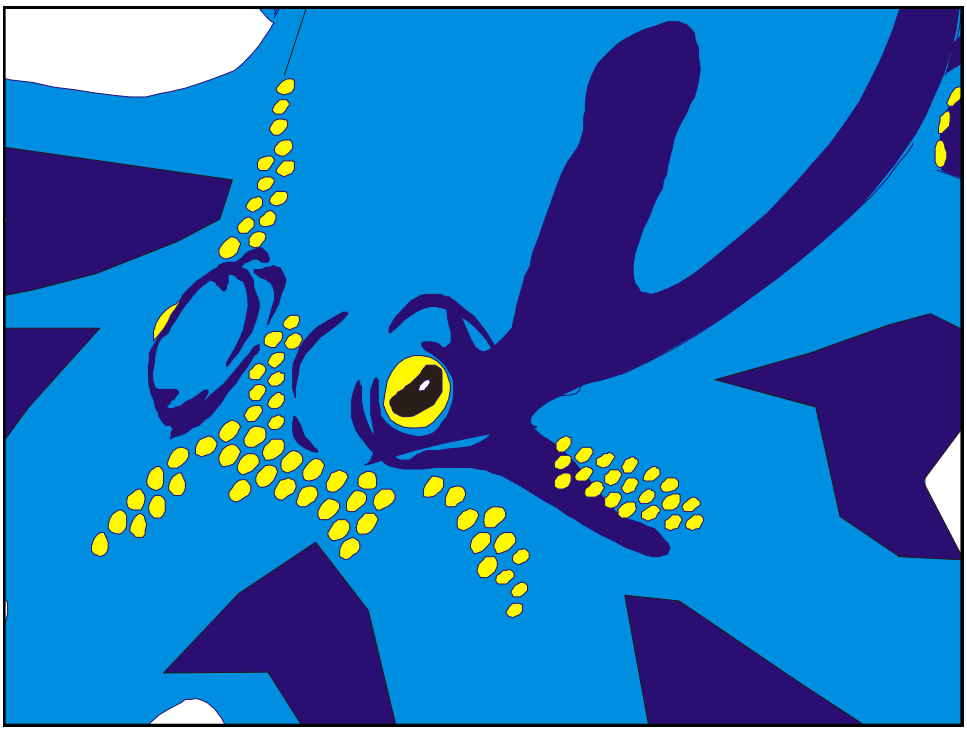
Council of Europe/
European Commission project
1999/2000

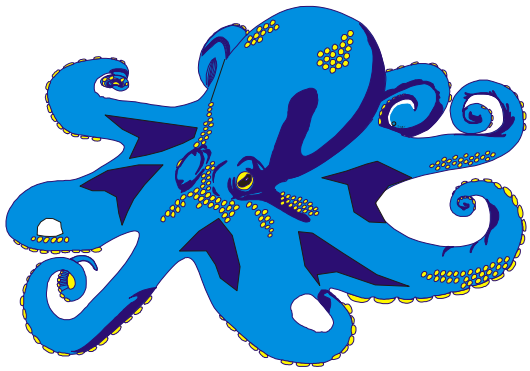


Programme on
Corruption and
Organised crime
in States in Transition

Aim:

- Support 18 countries of Central and Eastern Europe to adopt the „acquis“ of the European Commission and the standards of the Council of Europe on corruption and organised crime
- Prepare 12 States to join the European Communities





Octopus Programme

against corruption and organised crime

in States in transition

One day, Octopus meets the

acquis

Which he quickly learns to adopt ……

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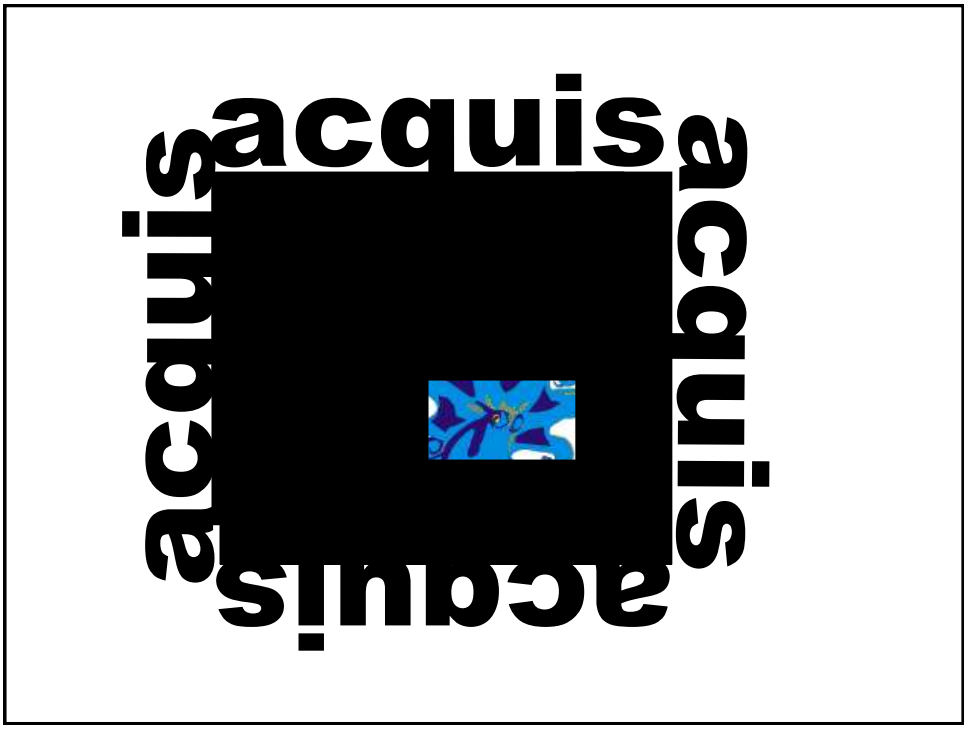
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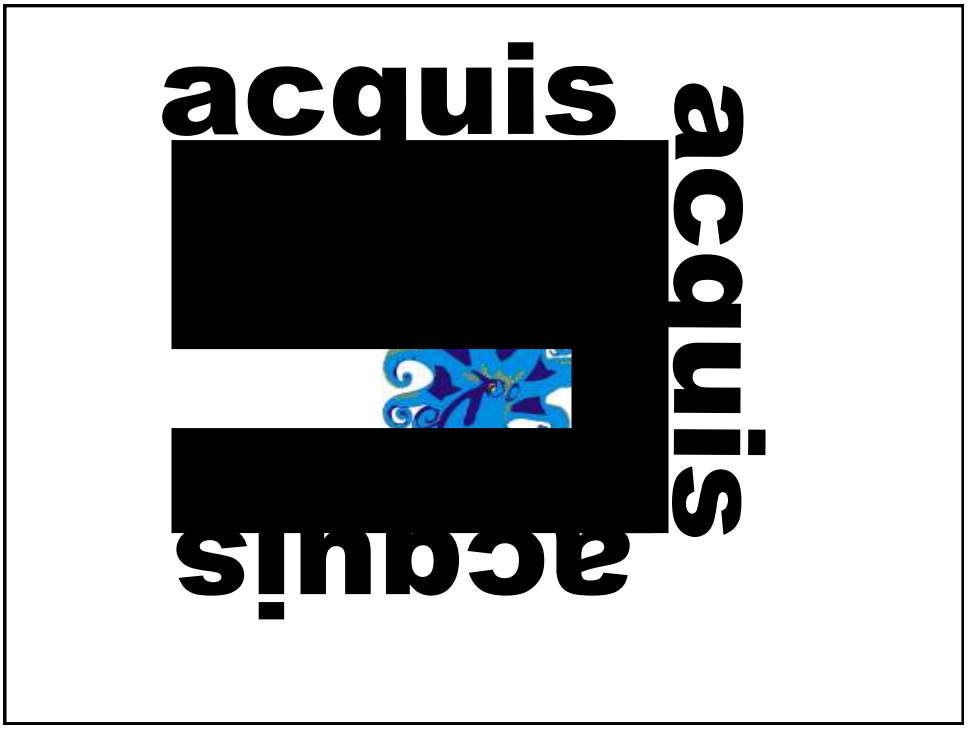
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So, in December 2000 ……

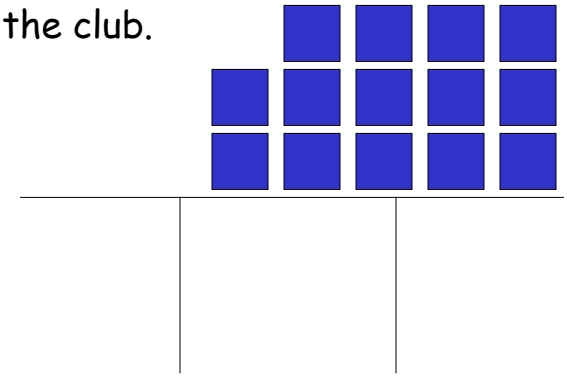
We can proudly report to the European Commission….

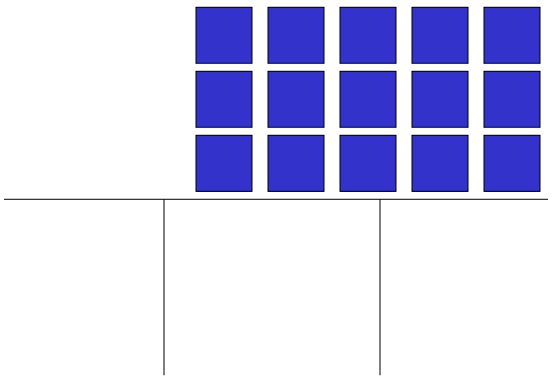
…. That the programme has succeeded and that Octopus ……

Has adopted the acquis ….

And ….

Is ready to join the club.





The end?

Post December 2000:

- Keep budgetline + brand

- OctopusSEE (Southeast Europe)?
- Calamares?
- PACO / MOLI

- Octopus Interface for cross-cutting issues:
  - 2003 Corruption
  - 2004 Cybercrime
  - 2005 Economic Crime
  - 2006 Corruption and Democracy

Octopus:

- 2007 Cybercrime
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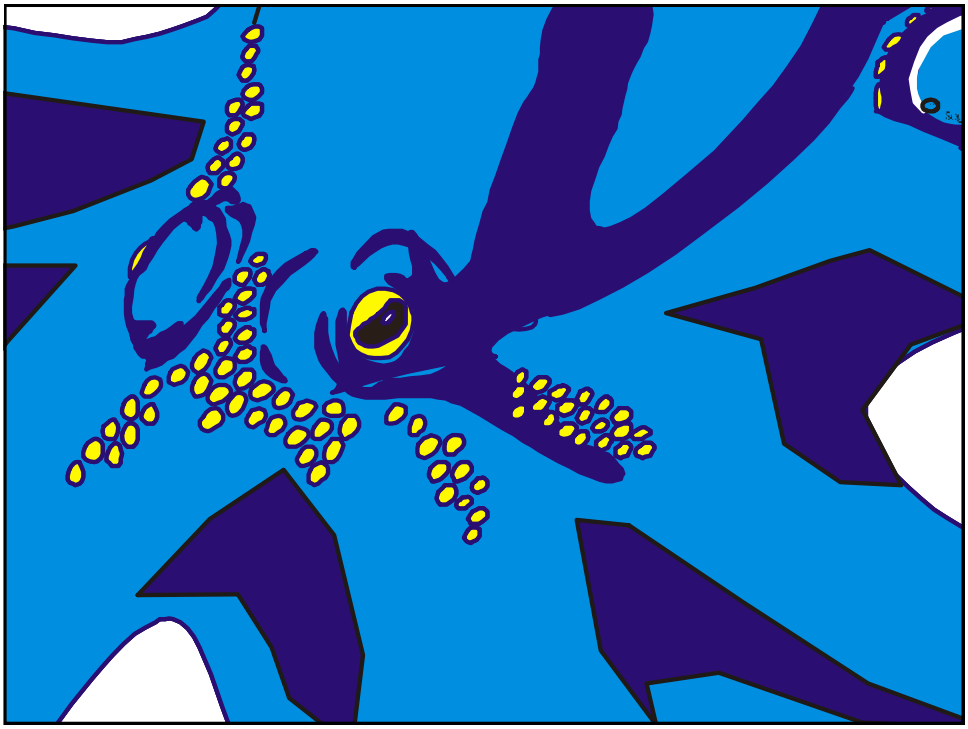
- 2009 Cybercrime
- 2010 Cybercrime
- 2011 Cybercrime
- 2012 Cybercrime

Join the
Octopus Cybercrime Community

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