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Council of Europe priorities in the area of cooperation in cross- border crime

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Evolution of priorities

- Before 1990: Foundations, multilateral standard setting: Conventions and Recommendations
- Since 1990: Enlargement, assistance activities, sectorial conventions and monitoring committees
- Since 2010: Globalisation, multi-disciplinary and multi-agency approach



Main actors

- European Committee on Crime Problems (**CDPC**)
- Committee of Experts on the Operation of European conventions on Co-operation in Criminal Matters (**PC-OC**)
- Council for Penological Co-operation (**PC-CP**)
- Steering Committee on Counter-Terrorism (**CDCT**)
- Cybercrime Committee (**T-CY**)
- Groupe of States against corruption (**GRECO**)
- **MONEYVAL and COP 198** (money laundering and asset recovery)
- **POMPIDOU group** (drug trafficking)
- **GRETA** (trafficking in human beings)
- **MEDICRIME** (falsification of medicines)



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WHITE PAPER
on transnational
organised crime



Adoption of the Action plan by
the Committee of Ministers **2 March 2016**



Implemented 2016-2020 in co-operation with
Monitoring bodies and committees
(CDPC, PC-OC, GRETA, Pompidou Group,
GRECO, MONEYVAL, T-CY, COP 198, CDCT)



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5 key areas

Police and judicial
international
cooperation

Special
Investigative
Techniques (SITs)

Witness
Protection

Administrative
Synergies &
co-operation
private sector

Recovery of
assets



Provide information: www.coe.int/tcj

- Country information on procedures of extradition, MLA etc
- Open-ended catalogue of judicial networks
- Relevant Case-law of the ECtHR
- Training module HELP programme
- Useful links to Conventions and tools
- Links to UN, EJN etc.



Make standards work

- Review of reservations to Conventions
- Model request forms
- Guidelines
- Update of Conventions

Update

- **Recommendation CM/Rec(2017)6** of the Committee of Ministers to member States on “special investigation techniques” in relation to serious crimes including acts of terrorism
- Handbook on Controlled Deliveries



Future update

- By the CDPC of Recommendation Rec (2005)9 on the protection of witnesses and collaborators of justice

Access to data

- Draft second additional Protocol to the Cybercrime Convention



Strengthen international co-operation

- non-conviction based confiscation
- asset-sharing
- management of frozen assets
- returning of assets to victims

Conference foreseen in May 2022

PC-OC/COP198



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Thank you for your attention