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**FINALISING THE DRAFTS OF THE DECLARATION AND THE ROADMAP  
TOWARDS EuroMed FORUM OF PROSECUTORS GENERAL**

**SPECIAL CRIMEX Session Nº 5**

22 January 2018  
Madrid, Spain



## **Draft Declaration and the Roadmap towards the EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General**

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### GENERAL PRESENTATION

EuroMed Justice has a regional scope, addressing to the European Neighbourhood South Partner Countries (SPCs): Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine and Tunisia. Syria's participation is suspended

EuroMed Justice is funded by the European Union having as the main goal to contribute to the development of a Euro-Mediterranean effective, efficient and protective to the human rights judicial and law enforcement cooperation in criminal matters.

The EuroMed objective is to build the fundamentals for a Euro-Mediterranean, cross-regional mechanism of judicial and law enforcement cooperation composed of criminal justice professionals (judges, prosecutors, legal advisors from the Justice Ministries and law enforcement officers).

The mechanism should be directly connected with and supported by the Eurojust and European Judicial Network in criminal matters (EJN). Besides Eurojust and EJN, some of the activities are developed in cooperation with United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), United Nations Counter Terrorism Executive Directorate (UN CTED), Council of Europe –European Committee on Crime Problems (CoE-CDPC) and the International Association of Prosecutors (IAP).

**CrimEx (EuroMed Group of Experts in criminal matters)** - is placed at the core of EuroMed judicial and law enforcement mechanism of cooperation and coordination.

**CrimEx** exercises the SPCs' ownership in the implementation of the project activities and the monitoring of the results. For two years, during eight sessions, benefiting from Eurojust, EJN, CoE and UN support, CrimEx functions as a real think-tank and a regional forum to build the trust and mutual confidence, to exchange good practices and lessons learned, to carry out thorough analyses of the situation in each SPC and in the whole region, to set up specific recommendations, guidelines, manuals, studies and researches.

**CrimEx** members are the potential Eurojust and EJN contact points, and the main constituents of the national and regional platforms of cooperation in criminal matters.

## PARTICIPANTS

### CrimEx Members

Main Stakeholders Representatives: Eurojust, European Judicial Network in criminal matters (EJN), The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), The United Nations Counter Terrorism Executive Directorate (UN-CTED), Council of Europe –European Committee on Crime Problems (CoE-CDPC) and Consultative Council of European Prosecutors (CCPE) – and the International Association of Prosecutors (IAP).

### EuroMed Police

## OBJECTIVE 1: TO AGREE ON THE DRAFT DECLARATION OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> EUROMED FORUM OF PROSECUTORS GENERAL

During the Special Session of 22 January 2018 the CrimEx representatives from the national prosecution services have to finalise the draft Declaration of the 1<sup>st</sup> EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General. The draft of the Declaration has been prepared by the Project Management Team (PMT) and sent in advance for comments. The Declaration commits, *inter alia*, the Prosecutors General:

- to share experiences and good practices in judicial cooperation in criminal matters, the use of mutual legal assistance instruments and investigation techniques in investigating and prosecuting serious and organised crime;
- to discuss relevant regional and cross-regional trends of cross-border crime and the policy initiatives to counter them, assess their impact on the work of prosecutorial authorities, and formulate common observations or opinions.
- to provide high level judicial inputs and actively contribute to the development and implementation of cross-regional cooperation.

## OBJECTIVE 2: FINALISING THE DRAFT OF THE ROADMAP TOWARDS THE EUROMED FORUM OF PROSECUTORS GENERAL

During the Special Session of 22 January 2018 the CrimEx representatives from the national prosecution services have the following tasks:

1. To finalise the proposals for the Road Map containing the main steps for the creation of the EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General;
2. The Draft Roadmap was prepared by the Project Management Team and sent in advance to the Prosecutors General, CrimEx, Eurojust, EJN and International Organisations for written comments;
3. The amended draft will be debated and a consensus reached prior to the Prosecutors General's Forum of 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018;

## METHODOLOGY:

The 5<sup>th</sup> Special CrimEx Session will be moderated by EuroMed Justice PMT.

CrimEx representatives from the national prosecution services have to present the position of their respective national prosecution authorities and reach the consensus regarding the content of the Road Map and the Declaration.

The CrimEx representatives from the Ministries of Justice and the Judiciary, the representatives from Eurojust, EJM, and other International Organisations are invited to present their comments to the content of the Declaration and the Road Map.

The Fifth Session of CrimEx will take place in English and French, with simultaneous interpretation to Arabic, English and French.

## EXPERTS

- EU Agencies and International Organisations:
  - Eurojust
  - European Judicial Network in criminal matters –
  - UN (UNODC, UN-CTED), The Council of Europe (CDPC, CCEP)
  - International Association of Prosecutors (IAP)
  
- EuroMed Justice Key Experts:
  - *Mrs. Victoria PALAU - Team Leader (FIIAPP - Spain)*
  - *Mr. Virgil IVAN-CUCU - Capacity Building (EIPA - Luxembourg)*
  - *Mrs. Dania SAMOUL - Coordinator (FIIAPP - Spain)*
  
- EuroMed Police Tem Leader:
  - *Mr. Michel QUILLÉ*

## Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018

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09.00 **Opening and Welcome** Speech

09.15 **Introduction of the 5<sup>th</sup> CrimEx Special Session by the EuroMed Justice Key Experts**

- Presentation of the drafts on the Road Map and the Declaration

09.30 **(I) CrimEx Special Session – debates on the draft Declaration** of the 1<sup>st</sup> EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General

**Tour de table:** CrimEx representatives of the prosecution authorities from Algeria, Egypt, Israel and Jordan.

10.30 **(II) CrimEx Special Session – debates on the draft Declaration** of the 1<sup>st</sup> EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General

**Tour de table:** CrimEx representatives of the prosecution authorities from, Morocco, Lebanon, Palestine and Tunisia.

11.30 **Coffee Break**

11.50 **(III) CrimEx Special Session – debates on the draft Declaration** of the 1<sup>st</sup> EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General

**CrimEx representatives** from the Ministries of Justice and the Judiciary are invited to present their comments

**Representatives** of: Eurojust, EJM, UNODC, IAP, and other International Organisations are invited to present their comments.

12.15 **Approval of the draft Declaration of the 1<sup>st</sup> EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General**

12.45 **Lunch Break**

14.00 **(IV) CrimEx Special Session – debates on the draft of the Road Map** towards the EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General

**Tour de table:** CrimEx representatives of the prosecution authorities from Algeria, Egypt, Israel and Jordan.

15.00 **(V) CrimEx Special Session – debates on the draft of the Road Map** towards the EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General

**Tour de table:** CrimEx representatives of the prosecution authorities from, Morocco, Lebanon, Palestine and Tunisia.

16.00 **Coffee Break**

16.20 **(VI) CrimEx Special Session – debates on the draft of the Road Map** towards the EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General

**CrimEx representatives** from the Ministries of Justice and the Judiciary are invited to present their comments

**Representatives** of: Eurojust, EJM, UNODC, IAP, and other International Organisations are invited to present their comments.

17.00 **Approval of the draft Road Map towards the EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General**

**\*\*\* End of the 5<sup>th</sup> Special CrimEx Session \*\*\***