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THE 1st EUROMED FORUM OF THE PROSECUTORS GENERAL

GENERAL PRESENTATION

The First EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General represents a key phase for the improvement of the judicial cooperation between the EU Member States and the South Partner Countries (SPCs). It constitutes the cornerstone of the much-needed mechanism of a high-level cross-regional consultations and dialogue.

The main purposes of the EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General are to enhance the cross-regional cooperation within the EuroMed Area of Justice and to build at high-level the trust and the confidence.

It provides a unique opportunity for the Prosecutors General to address, at the optimum level, the issues of special interest and concern for the criminal justice systems, judicial and law enforcement cooperation.

PARTICIPANTS

- Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the South Partner Countries and from the European Union Member States (EU MS)
- Representatives of the European Commission's main stakeholders: 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), the Council of Europe – European Committee on Crime Problems (CoE-CDPC) and Consultative Council of European Prosecutors (CCPE)- and the International Association of Prosecutors (IAP).
- Members of CrimEx
- EuroMed Police

OBJECTIVES:

1. The First EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General will initiate the high-level dialogue and discussions regarding the relevant Euro-Mediterranean trends of cross-border crime and the policy initiatives to counter serious and organised crime.

Sharing their experiences and good practices in judicial cooperation in criminal matters, the use of mutual legal assistance instruments and investigation techniques, the Prosecutors General will provide high-level judicial inputs and actively contribute to the development and implementation of cross-regional cooperation.

The Forum will address the priorities identified in the EuroMed Justice Areas: countering terrorism, fighting organised crime, in particular the smuggling of illegal migrants, combating cybercrime and gathering digital evidences.

2. The Forum will consider and reflect on the usefulness and operational modalities for the establishment of an effective EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General.

The quadripartite meetings of the Chief-Prosecutors from France, Belgium, Spain and Morocco, the Consultative Forum of the Prosecutors General and Directors of Public Prosecutions of the Member States of the European Union, the Network of Public Prosecutors or equivalent institutions at the Supreme Judicial Courts of the Member States of the European Union (NADAL Network), or other models to create an "EuroMed Forum of Prosecutors General" – serving as a cross-regional consultative body and functioning as an informal and flexible high level dialogue structure – should be explored.

3. The **Road Map** for the establishment of the EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General and the **Declaration** of the EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General, finalised during the 5th CrimEx Special Session, will be discussed and endorsed by the Forum.

The EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General will take place in English and French, with simultaneous interpretation to Arabic, English and French.

Tuesday 23rd January 2018

09.00 **Opening and Welcome**

- Prosecutor General of Spain
- European Commission

09.20 Presentation of the **draft Road Map and the draft Declaration in order** to be endorsed/adopted by the EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General and the working Sessions during the Special 5th CrimEx

- EuroMed Justice Key Experts

09.30 **(I) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General**

- Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the South Partner Countries regarding the objectives 1 to 3: **Algeria, Egypt, Israel and Jordan**

10.30 **Coffee Break**

11.00 **(II) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General**

- Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the South Partner Countries regarding the objectives 1 to 3: **Morocco, Lebanon Palestine and Tunisia**

12.00 **(III) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General**

- Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the European Union Member States regarding the objectives 1 to 3: (to be confirmed)

13.00 **Lunch Break**

14.30 **(IV) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General**

- Interventions of the Prosecutors General, Attorneys General and Directors of Public Prosecutions from the European Union Member States regarding the objectives 1 to 3: (to be confirmed)

15.30 **(V) EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General**

- Interventions of the representatives of: Eurojust, EJM, UNODC, UN-CTED, CCEP, IAP, and other International Organisations

16.30 Coffee Break

17.00 Approval of the Declaration of the 1st EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General and of the Road Map towards the EuroMed Forum of the Prosecutors General