



Brussels, 19 June 2014

**9th MEETING OF THE EU ASSET
RECOVERY OFFICES' PLATFORM
(LJUBLJANA, 26-27 JUNE 2014,
Hotel Lev, Vosnjakova Ulica 1, Karantanija Hall)**

26 June 2014

09:00-9:30	Registration	
9:30-9:40	<p>1. Welcome and introduction</p> <p>Housekeeping points</p> <p>Objectives of the meeting and presentation of the agenda</p>	<i>Conference chairpersons</i>
9:40-9:55	<p>2. Opening address by Slovenia</p>	<p>Speaker: Boštjan Šefic, State Secretary, Ministry of Interior</p>
9:55-10:25	<p>3. The Italian Presidency of the Union</p> <p>The priorities of the Italian Presidency against organised crime</p>	<p>Speaker: Marco Bolognesi, Italian Ministry of Interior</p>
10:25-11:00	<p>4. Operational information exchange between the European Asset Recovery Offices</p> <p>The new Europol Focal point on asset recovery</p> <p>An update on the Europol SIENA System</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Speaker: Burkhard Mühl, Europol</p> <p><i>All</i></p>

11:00-11:30	Coffee break	
11:30-12:15	<p>5. Assessing the effectiveness of EU AROs: a programme of country visits</p> <p>Report on the visit to Spain</p> <p>Report on the visit to Hungary</p> <p>Further steps: Timetable of further visits and composition of the visiting teams</p>	<p>Speakers:</p> <p>Nico Geysen, ARO Belgium</p> <p>Burkhard Mühl, Europol</p> <p><i>All</i></p>
12:15-13:00	<p>6. The new Directive on freezing and confiscation of instrumentalities and proceeds of crime – implementation challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Legal issues - Precautionary freezing - Asset Management - Statistics <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Speaker:</p> <p>Sebastiano Tiné, DG Home Affairs, European Commission</p> <p><i>All</i></p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
14:00-14:30	<p>7. Asset recovery statistics</p> <p>An informal statistical data collection within the ARO Platform</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Speaker:</p> <p>Burkhard Mühl, Europol</p> <p><i>All</i></p>
14:30-15:00	<p>8. Best practices in asset management</p> <p>The management of seized assets in Austria</p>	<p>Speaker:</p> <p>Hannes Sedlak, Austrian ARO</p>

15:00-15:30	<p>9. Asset recovery initiatives in Ukraine</p> <p>A short overview of the Ukrainian asset recovery system and its future development</p>	<p>Speakers:</p> <p>Alexander Honchar, Ministry of Revenue and Duties, Ukraine</p> <p>Vasyl Yenborysov, Ministry of Interior, Ukraine</p>
15:30-16:00	Coffee break	
16:00	End of day 1	
16:15-17:30	<p>10. Break-out session: The application of financial sanctions against Ukrainian nationals and asset recovery cases (<i>optional</i>)</p> <p><i>Karantaniija Hall</i></p>	<p><i>Invitees:</i> representatives of European Commission, Europol and the countries having cases against Ukrainian nationals.</p> <p><i>Other interested participants are welcome to join.</i></p>
19:30	Dinner at Hotel Lev	<i>All</i>

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09:30-10:00	<p>11. Enhancing financial investigations in the European Union</p> <p>A common training programme for EU Financial Investigators: the CEIFAC project. An update</p> <p>The second edition of the CEART training project</p> <p>Other training initiatives</p>	<p>Speakers:</p> <p>Prof. Elena Pelliser, GRASCO</p> <p>Ruth Tabernero, Oficina de Localización de Activos y Relaciones Internacionales, Judicial Police (Spain) (TBC)</p> <p><i>All</i></p>
10:00-10:30	<p>12. New tools for tracing and tackling organised crime assets: the EBOCS Project</p>	<p>Speaker:</p> <p>Paul Farrell, European Business Registers</p>
10:30-11:00	<p>13. Analysing and preventing organised crime investments in the economy: the Organised Crime Portfolio, ARIEL and IARM Projects</p>	<p>Speaker:</p> <p>Michele Riccardi, Transcrime</p>
11:00-11:30	<p>Coffee Break</p>	
11:30-11:50	<p>14. Initiatives under the CARIN Network</p> <p>The Spanish Presidency of CARIN</p> <p>The recent CARIN Regional Meeting</p>	<p>Speakers:</p> <p>Ruth Tabernero, Oficina de Localización de Activos y Relaciones Internacionales, Judicial Police (Spain)</p> <p>Burkhard Mühl, Europol</p>

11:50-12:20	<p>15. Recent developments in the Member States and non-EU countries</p> <p>Tour de table</p>	<p><i>Delegates are expected to report on developments on asset recovery in their country, e.g. new legislation, new structures, court cases, international cooperation, etc.</i></p>
12:20:12:50	<p>16. Case studies from the practice</p> <p>Case involving Belgium, Luxembourg and Cyprus</p> <p><i>Second case study TBC</i></p>	<p>Speakers:</p> <p>Nico Geysen, ARO Belgium; Michel Turk, ARO Luxembourg</p>
12:50:13:00	<p>17. The EU Internal Security Fund</p>	<p>Sebastiano Tiné, DG Home Affairs, European Commission</p>
13:00	<p>Closing of the Conference</p>	<p><i>Conference chairpersons</i></p>
13:00-14:00	<p>Sandwich Lunch</p>	