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**11**

**(Priority Area 11 “Security”)**

**Reported period: from 01/08/2015 to 30/06/2016**

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# Executive summary

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| *Question 1: Summary of progress achieved during the reporting period.* |
| During the fifth year of the implementation of the EUSDR, PA 11 achieved tangible results in various fields of cooperation within the area of security. The last year marked a period of significant development of the projects implementation corresponding to all PA 11 targets. The main topics that PA 11 focused on during the last year are combatting terrorism, fight against cybercrime, and property crime.  One of the main points during the last year was the amendment in PA 11 targets and actions, which were backed up with high political level decisions. During the reported year the PA 11 portfolio was significantly enriched by embracing the topics of combatting terrorism and migration management in the Danube region. |

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# Progress of the PA

## Progress on policy level

### Policy areas at focus

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| *Question 2: What are the policy areas (important policy topics/thematic issues) that the PA selected as main focus (i.e. priority) for work during the reporting period?* |
| The main topics that PA 11 focused on during the last year are combatting terrorism, fight against cybercrime, and property crime. |
| *Question 3: What are the main arguments for selecting those policy areas as priority ones?* |
| * At present the global terrorist threat has reached unprecedented level. Counterterrorism has to be addressed adequately also within the framework of Priority Area Security of the Danube Region Strategy in order to reflect current developments. PA 11 is in the process of identifying main challenges in order to find comprehensive responses and to set realistic and feasible common initiatives into motion. * Crime against property is becoming an ever more important issue in police investigations. Especially in the field of domestic burglary, an increase in the number of incidents is recorded throughout Germany and Europe. EUSDR member countries are affected in different ways. Countries on the upper reaches tend to be somewhat more a target for burglaries whereas the lower reaches harbour some of the perpetrators. Cooperation within EUSDR in this field could help discouraging property crime and reducing incident numbers. * Nowadays cybercrime represents a significant risk for various actors (states, companies, individuals), having a serious impact on the economic development of a region. Internet has no boundaries. Therefore the transnational cooperation between the law-enforcement authorities is crucial for the success of the efforts in the field. |

### Main policy achievements

| *Question 4: Based on what has been reported under section 2.1.1: what are the PAs’ main policy achievements and developments during the reporting period?* |
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| PA 11 Coordinators are guided by the view that security is a necessary prerequisite for good governance, effective political institutions and stronger rule of law.  The active political engagement in PA 11 continues to be a solid pillar for encouraging the participation of EUSDR states and stakeholders. Reviewing set objectives and adding new focuses of cooperation is crucial in order to ensure that the implementation of the PA 11 of the EUSDR is guided by the strategic challenges for the Region.  During the reported year PA 11 portfolio was significantly enriched by embracing the topics of combatting terrorism and migration management in the Danube region.  The Ministers responsible for home affairs and authorised representatives of the respective Ministries of the Danube Region countries,gathered in Sofia, Bulgaria, on 21 and 22 January 2016 on the occasion of a **Ministerial Conference on Combating Terrorism in the Danube Region**, pointed out that the Danube Region countries should find proactive and comprehensive responses and set realistic and feasible common counter-terrorism initiatives into motion. The Ministers agreed that in order to achieve efficiency in countering terrorism, the cooperation in the areas of prevention, border security, critical infrastructure protection from terrorist attacks and information exchange should be intensified. Since then the EUSDR gained the new action “Combatting Terrorism”  Significant progress was also achieved in other two main areas: “**Combating Cybercrime”** and strengthening the cooperation in the field of **“Property Crime”.**  The development of strengthening and improving information security, sharing (software) tools, information and trainings for security teams, including best-practice exchange are among the most important development in the area of combatting cybercrime in the Danube region.  The cooperation in the area of strengthening the cooperation in the field of property crime resulted in tangible results such as enhanced exchange of information and setting up a network of experts with states of origin of the perpetrators, with the states affected by the perpetrators and with Europol. |

### Policy lessons learned

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| *Question 5: Based on what has been reported in sections 2.1.1and 2.1.2: what are the policy related lessons learned (positive or negative) from the PAs implementation during the reporting period (with focus on those that are important for the future EUSDR policy development)?* |
| **Excellent cooperation with stakeholders** – The broadening scope of PA 11 work and the wide variety of activities carried out during the last year prioritized the necessity of substantial involvement of the relevant actors in the Danube region – the EU institutions and agencies, European and regional law enforcement agencies and NGOs among others. The actively involved countries gained benefits from that cooperation by increasing their capacities in the relevant areas.  **The significance of continuously enriching the content of our work -** When the implementation of the EUSDR started PA11 focussed on the most important aspects as creating a close cooperation between the member states and information exchange. Having achieved this goal PA11 wanted to deepen the thematic work. In 2015 PA11 updated and amended its targets and actions in order to achieve more effectively our key objectives and to meet successfully the security challenges in the region.  **The necessity to communicate our work-** Communicating the work and giving the appropriate visibility of achievements (having in mind the specificity of the security related topics) are crucial for achieving commitment of the participating countries and attracting potential financial sources.  All these lessons learned are closely related to the future EUSDR policy development. |

### Future policy development

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| *Question 6: Based on what has been reported in section 2.1.3: what next steps and challenges for future policy development the PA finds important to share for further consideration discussion or development (incl. possible solutions to overcome the challenges)?* |
| **The challenges of the horizontal cooperation - tool for creating synergies within the EUSDR**  Horizontal cooperation adds new impetus in cooperation within EUSDR and possibilities for establishing such cooperation with other Priority Areas must be further explored; (the cooperation with PA 1a is currently on-going and broadening its frameworks), different possibilities are explored to cooperate with PA 6 and PA 10.  **The necessity of identifying funding sources** Our experience taught us to actively and increasingly look for funding opportunities. Continuous efforts were made to search possible alternative sources, for example – funding from NGOs and yet importantly – the EU funding (via the respective funds, ex. ISF, AMIF, etc.) Our experience shows that this is a successful practice and our intention is to continue investing efforts in this respect.  **The necessity to maintain and identify the established cooperation and networks between the experts of the member states.**  **Involvement/support of DG Home in PA 11 work is further needed.** |

## Progress on PA’s targets

*Table 1: Progress on targets during the reporting period*

| *PA Targets*  *(number and wording of the target)* | *Progress during the reporting period* | | | | *Clarifications* |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| *Completed* | *Satisfactory progress* | *Delayed progress* | *Other* |
| *(a)* | *(b)* | *(c)* | *(d)* | *(e)* | *(f)* |
| Target I - Security offensive - Enhancing police cooperation with the aim of improving security and tackling serious and organised crime in the EUSDR countries and strengthening the efforts against terrorism threats |  |  |  |  |  |
| Target II - Developing strategic long-term cooperation between law enforcement actors along the Danube river by strengthening networks for cooperation by 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Target III - Improving the systems of border control, document inspection management and cooperation on consular related issues in the Danube region |  |  |  |  |  |
| Target IV - Promoting the rule of law and the fight against corruption. |  |  |  |  |  |

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| *Question 7: Based on the information provided in Table 1, what is the PAs overall self-evaluation with regards to reaching the applicable targets? Any other positive experience or other important information to that respect that the PA considers necessary (or good) to be shared should be included here as well.* |
| As reported above the overall progress in achieving PA 11 targets is satisfactory, the activities planned and carried out reflect the variety in PA 11 portfolio and the efforts for balanced approach in the implementation of all the targets. |
| *Question 8: What, if anything, was/is missing in order to achieve the progress in reaching the targets as previously planned?* |
| *Not applicable* |
| *Question 9: Are there any plans (or needs) for revising/updating the list of targets, applicable for the PA? If so, please provide details.* |
| Since the last revision of the targets was done less than a year ago, PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 Steering Group consider the targets and their respective actions to be adequate both to the latest EU agenda on security and most importantly – to the actual trends and development in the field of security in the Danube region. |

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## Progress on PA’s actions

*Table 2: Progress on actions during the reporting period*

| *PA Targets (number)* | *Progress on action for reaching the targets during the reporting period* | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| *A1* | *A2* | *A3* | *A4* | *A5* | *A6* | *A7* | *A8* | *A9* | *A10* | *A11* | *A12* | *A13* | *A14* | *A15* | *A16* | *A17* |
| *(a)* | *(b)* | *(c)* | *(d)* | *(e)* | *(f)* | *(g)* | *(h)* | *(i)* | *(j)* | *(k)* | *(l)* | *(m)* | *(n)* | *(o)* | *(p)* | *(q)* | *(r)* |
| *I* | *ASP* | *ASP* | *ASP* | *ASP* | *ASP* | *ASP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *II* | *ASP* | *ASP* | *ASP* | *ASP* | *ANS* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *III* | *ASP* | *ASP* | *ASP* | *ANS* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *IV* | *ASP* | *ASP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

*Legend:*

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| ASP | actions, whose implementation is satisfactory progressing (according to what was initially planned in the Roadmap); |
| APD | actions, whose implementation is progressing with delays (comparing to what was initially planned in the Roadmap); |
| ACcp | actions completed in current reporting period; |
| ACpp | actions completed in previous reporting period(s); |
| ANS | actions, whose implementation has not started yet; |

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| *Question 10: Based on the information provided in Table 2, what is the PA’s overall self - evaluation regarding the progress in implementing the actions? A positive experience or other important information to that respect that the PA considers necessary (or good) to be shared should be included here as well.* |
| As reported above the overall progress of PA 11 is satisfactory, the activities planned and carried out reflect the variety in PA 11 portfolio and the efforts for balanced approach between our targets.  As a PA 11 good practice we could point out the balanced approach in the activities and the implementation of the targets as well as the efforts to maintain our work corresponding to the current EU and regional security challenges (ex. the introduction of the two topics of utmost importance – combatting terrorism and migration management). |
| *Question 11: What, if anything, was/is missing in order to achieve the progress in implementing the actions as previously planned?* |
| Not applicable |
| *Question 12: Are there any plans (or needs) for revising/updating the actions, applicable for the PA? If so, please provide details.* |
| Since the last revision of the actions was done less than a year ago, as for the moment PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 Steering Group consider the targets and their respective actions to be adequate for achieving the targets. |

## Progress on milestones

*Table 3: Progress on milestones during the reporting period*

***(PA actions are numbered from 1 to 17: 1-6 correspond to Target I, 7-11 to target II, 12-15 to Target III and 16-17 to Target IV)***

| *PA Actions (numbers)* | *Progress on milestones during the reporting period* | | | | | | | | | |
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| *M1* | *M2* | *M3* | *M4* | *M5* | *M6* | *M7* | *M8* | *M9* | *M10* |
| *(a)* | *(b)* | *(c)* | *(d)* | *(e)* | *(f)* | *(g)* | *(h)* | *(i)* | *(j)* | *(k)* |
| *A1* | *MSP* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A2* | *MSP* | *MNS* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A3* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A4* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A5* | *MSP* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A6* | *MCcp* | *MSP* | *MNS* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A7* | *MSP* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A8* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A9* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A10* | *MSP* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A11* | *MNS* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A12* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A13* | *MSP* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A14* | *MSP* | *MNS* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A15* | *MNS* | *MNS* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A16* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *A17* | *MSP* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

*Legend:*

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| MSP | milestones that are satisfactory progressing (according to what was initially planned in the Roadmap); |
| MPD | milestones that are progressing with delays (comparing to what was initially planned in the Roadmap); |
| MCcp | milestones completed in current reporting period; |
| MCpp | milestones completed in previous reporting period(s); |
| MNS | milestones, whose implementation has not started yet; |

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| *Question 13: Based on the information provided in Table 3, what is the PAs overall self - evaluation regarding the progress in reaching the milestones? A positive experience or other important information to* *that the PA considers necessary (or as good) to be shared should be included here as well* |
| As reported above the overall progress of PA 11 is satisfactory, the activities planned and carried out reflect the variety in PA 11 portfolio and the efforts for balanced approach between our targets. |
| *Question 14: What, if anything, was/is missing in order to achieve the progress in reaching the milestones as previously planned?* |
| Not applicable. |

## Progress on activities

*Table 4 Activities undertaken to progress on PA implementation*

***(PA actions are numbered from 1 to 17: 1-6 correspond to Target I, 7-11 to target II, 12-15 to Target III and 16-17 to Target IV)***

| *PA Actions (numbers)* | *Activities undertaken during the reporting period to progress on PA implementation* |
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| *(a)* | *(b)* |
| *A1* | * Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Countering trafficking in persons” |
| *A2* | * Workshops and final conference within the framework of PA 11 project “Cooperation Southeast Danube Region” * Efforts for setting up the follow-up project “Cooperation Southeast-Drugs and Firearms” * Workshop on strengthening the cooperation between Police and Customs in combating drug trafficking |
| *A3* | * Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 projects “Combating Cybercrime in the Danube Region - Law Enforcement 2.0” and ”Cybersecurity in Danube Region” |
| *A4* | * Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Illicit trafficking of firearms in the Danube region” |
| *A5* | * Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Danube Property Crime Project” |
| *A6* | * Ministerial conference on combatting terrorism in the Danube region |
| *A7* | * 4th Joint Operation concerning the DARIF Project- DEMETER |
| *A8* | * Participation in PA 11 SG meeting and joint participation in stakeholders events; support to project implementation |
| *A9* | * Planning activities between the PA 11 coordinators and the SG |
| *A10* | * Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Central-European CBRN-E Training Centre” |
| *A11* | * No activities during the reported period |
| *A12* | * Planning activities between the PA 11 coordinators and the relevant stakeholders |
| *A13* | * Preparing Symposium on Documents Management and Security of Travel Documents in the Danube region |
| *A14* | * Drafting Manual on border control checks (jointly with PA 1a). Planning the Implementation of joint measures to improve the border control |
| *A15* | * No activities during the reported period |
| *A16* | * Planning follow up initiatives of already completed pilot initiatives in PA 11 (Project “Rule of Law”) |
| *A17* | * Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Strengthening of information cycle management in fight against the organized crime and illegal migration for increasing the European security” |

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## EUSDR Strategic Projects

*Table 5: Projects identified and proposed by PA (PACs + SG) as EUSDR strategic project (SP)*

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| *Title of project proposed by PA as ESDR SP during the reporting period* | *Date of PA meeting when the project was approved as potential ESDR SP* | *To which PA target the project is relevant?* | *Main project activities of the EUSDR SP* | *Targeted funding source(s) for the SP* |
| *(a)* | *(b)* | *(c)* | *(d)* | *(e)* |
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| *Question 15: Were any of the projects included in Table 5 already approved for funding during the reporting period? If so, please complete Table 6 below with the information only for those projects.* |

*Table 6: Proposed EUSDR strategic projects, which were approved for funding*

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| *Title of project proposed by PA as ESDR SP, approved for funding* | *Total amount of approved funding* | *Approved funding source(s) for the EUSDR SP* |
| *(a)* | *(b)* | *(c)* |
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# Funding

## Main achievements in terms of funding

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| *Question 16: What is considered as PAs main achievement/s with regards to funding sources and opportunities for EUSDR projects? Short analysis relevant only to the duration of the reporting period needs to be provided.* |
| PA 11 succeeded in identifying diverse funding opportunities:   * Excellent cooperation with NGOs and Foundations (eg. financing from Hanns Seidel Foundation to PA 11 project “Danube Property Crime Project” and financing from Konrad Adenauer Foundation for PA 11 project “Comprehensive and Integrated Approach in Prevention and Fight against Organized Crime in the Danube Region”) * Good experience with the START instrument * Good opportunity to support the participation of the non-EU countries by using the TA Grant |

## Lessons learned

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| *Question 17: What are the lessons learned (positive or negative) during the reporting period, with regards to funding sources and opportunities for EUSDR projects and what responses to those the PA considers as relevant?* |
| At the start of the EUSDR implementation funding was scares. To keep the PA 11 vital securing different funding sources is necessary. |

## The future

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| *Question 18: Based on what has been reported so far in Sections 3.1and 3.2, what next steps and challenges in terms of funding sources and opportunities for EUSDR projects that are important to be shared for further consideration, discussion or development (incl. possible solutions to overcome the challenges)?*  *Please answer also the same question with respect to better alignment of funding to support the PA and the EUSDR in general.* |
| * PA 11 needs to continue active seeking of funding opportunities also in view of the limited financial resources of the Danube Transnational Programme. * Alternative funding sources (such as instruments for Danube region projects, eg. START or using the possibilities of web databases, ex. EuroAccess) and partnerships (eg. with NGOs and Foundations) are to be identified. * Better use of the possibilities provided by EU funds in the field of security (eg. ISF, AMIF) and particular programs/platforms (eg. EMPACT) is important. |

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# Governance

## Organisation and functioning of PA

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| *Question 19: Describe shortly any significant changes that have occurred during the reporting period on PA’s governance in terms of organisation and functioning of PACs and SGs?* |
| The PA’s governance is well functioning and information exchange between PACs and SG is permanently guaranteed. We don’t see the need for changes. The cooperation between the three PACs of PA 11 is excellent. The PA 11 Coordination Bureau will continue to be the driving force to the daily work, ensuring the active participation of the SG members and the stakeholders as well as to support the PACs in the strategic planning of PA 11 activities. |

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| *Question 20: Please provide in Table 7 the requested information on attendance (+/-) of Danube countries at SG meetings held during the reporting period.* |

*Table 7: Attendance of SG meetings*

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| *SG meeting* | *AT* | *BA* | *BG* | *CZ* | *DE* | *HR* | *HU* | *MD* | *ME* | *RO* | *RS* | *SI* | *SK* | *UA* |
| X SG meeting  May 2016 | x | x | x | x | x | - | x | x | x | x | - | - | x | x |

## Coordination and cooperation activities

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| *Question 21: Based on what has been reported in Section 2.5, please provide short description on what has been achieved with the undertaken activities for coordination, cooperation and establishing links with other PAs? Please describe also any methods/tools that are put in place as a result (if applicable).* |
| With the undertaken activities we achieved a better communication of PA 11 work and results. The joint activities and participation in other PA’s activities create synergies and give added value to the work.The cooperation with PA 1a is currently on-going and broadening its framework, different possibilities are explored to cooperate with PA 6 and PA 10.  Methods – workshops, meetings and discussions |
| *Question 22: Based on what has been reported in Section 2.5, please provide short description on what has been achieved with the undertaken activities for coordination, cooperation and establishing links with EU institutions (EC, EP, CoR, EESC, etc.) and/or other institutions (national, regional, international, as appropriate). Same applies also for activities for using the funding opportunities of the EC centrally managed programmes. Please describe also any methods/tools that are put in place as a result (if applicable).* |
| With the undertaken activities we achieved a close involvement and good information of EC, DG Home. The implementation of the activities could only take place because of a very good cooperation with EC, DG Regio and the DSP.  Methods – day-to-day communication, meetings and discussions |
| *Question 23: Based on what has been reported in Section 2.5, please provide short description on what has been achieved with the undertaken activities for cooperation between the PA (PACs and SG) and the authorities dealing with ESIF funding and more specifically with the Managing Authorities and the Monitoring Committees of programs of interest to the PA. Please describe also any methods/tools that are put in place as a result (if applicable).* |
| With the undertaken activities we achieved a close involvement and good information exchange with the Joint Secretariat of the Danube Transnational programme.  Methods – meetings and discussions |

## Activities for involvement of stakeholders and civil society

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| *Question 24: Based on what has been reported in Section 2.5, please provide short description on what has been achieved with the undertaken activities for involvement of stakeholders, incl. civil society (e.g. stakeholder conferences, activities with national/regional parliaments, other events, networks, platforms, etc.). Please describe also any methods/tools that are put in place as a result (if applicable).* |
| With the undertaken activities we achieved a positive influence on stakeholders by their participation in the SG meetings as well as in activities and projects. Concerning SG work, not only attendance has to be ensured but also the quality of participation is important - representatives in the SG meetings with clear mandate and broad continuity of support.  Methods: meetings and day-to-day communication |

## Publicity and communication activities

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| *Question 25: Based on what has been reported in Section 2.5, please provide short description on what has been achieved with the undertaken activities for better publicity and communication (e.g. publications, website developments, etc.). Same applies also for activities for better communication of PA’s results and work as well as those related to public debate(s) on the macro - regional approach. Please describe also any methods/tools that are put in place as a result (if applicable).* |
| We launched a new website in May 2016. PA 11 SG is encouraged (with a “friendly competition” within the SG) to send regularly information to be uploaded on PA 11 website. Furthermore we plan to draft and publish informational brochure on PA 11 activities, projects and successful stories.Besides we also submit advertising material for the EUSDR. |

## Lessons learned

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| *Question 26: Based on what has been reported so far in Section 4: what are the lessons learned (positive or negative), in terms of PA governance during the reporting period and what responses to those the PA considers as relevant?* |
| * An active political engagement (e.g. ministerial conference) is important for encouraging participation of stakeholders and ensuring the visibility of the EUSDR within the participating countries. * Encouraging activities of participating countries is important to achieve broader commitment in cooperation of essential number of stakeholders. |

## The future

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| *Question 27: Based on what has been reported so far in Section 4: what next steps and challenges for better PA governance in the future that the PA finds important to be shared for further consideration (incl. possible solutions to overcome the challenges)?* |
| The PA’s governance is well functioning and information exchange between PACs and SG is permanently guaranteed. Next steps for improving PA governance could be:   * enhanced cooperation between PA 11 and other PAs * better involvement of the Non-EU-Countries * better external communication |

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# Annex I: Roadmaps to implement each PA action

*Table 8: Roadmap to implement an action*

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| **Roadmap for Action** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target I - Security offensive - Enhancing police cooperation with the aim of improving security and tackling serious and organised crime in the EUSDR countries and strengthening the efforts against terrorism threats | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Action 1 – To foster the cooperation in the field of countering smuggling and trafficking in human beings | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
|  | | | | | |
| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Efficient countering of trafficking in human beings and smuggling in the participating countries* | *2016-2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |
| *M2* | *Building up and strengthening a regional joint mechanism for investigating cases of trafficking in human beings and smuggling* | *2016-2018* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target I - Security offensive - Enhancing police cooperation with the aim of improving security and tackling serious and organised crime in the EUSDR countries and strengthening the efforts against terrorism threats | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 2 –* To enhance the cooperation in the area of combating illicit drug smuggling | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Conducting practical exercises* | *2016-2018* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |
| *M2* | *Development of new project(s) in the area of combatting the drug trafficking in the Danube region* | *2017-2019* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |
| *M3* | *Conducting capacity building activities* | *2018* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
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| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 3 -* To intensify the cooperation in combating the Internet crimes (cybercrime) | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Development of strategic partnerships to exchange best practises and operative information in real time* | *2018* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target I - Security offensive - Enhancing police cooperation with the aim of improving security and tackling serious and organised crime in the EUSDR countries and strengthening the efforts against terrorism threats | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 4 -* To enhance the fight against illicit trafficking of firearms in the Danube Region | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Establishment of a platform of stakeholders dealing with the illicit traficking of firearms between the criminal police, prosecutors and boost research in the Danube Region* | *2016-2017* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target I - Security offensive - Enhancing police cooperation with the aim of improving security and tackling serious and organised crime in the EUSDR countries and strengthening the efforts against terrorism threats | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 5 -* To strengthen and intensify the law enforcement and police cooperation in the field of property crime | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Joint operations between the law enforcement/border police authorities* | *2019* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |
| *M2* | *Standardization of the practices between the EUSDR member states* | *By 2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target I - Security offensive - Enhancing police cooperation with the aim of improving security and tackling serious and organised crime in the EUSDR countries and strengthening the efforts against terrorism threats | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 6 -* To intensify the common approach in the fight against terrorism | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Ministerial declaration on Combating Terrorism in the Danube Region, prioritizing 4 areas of cooperation* | *2016* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |
| *M2* | *Expert workshops and exercises on the 4 areas of cooperation to enhance the fight against terrorism in the Danube region* | *2019* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |
| *M3* | *Development and implementation of projects related to the fight against terrorism in the Danube region* | *2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target II - Developing strategic long-term cooperation between law enforcement actors along the Danube river by strengthening networks for cooperation by 2020 | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 1 -* To establish a network of contact and coordination centers along the Danube River | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Expert workshops and joint operations on strengthening the cooperation between law enforcement actors along the Danube* | *2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |
| *M2* | *Development and implementation of projects on developing a network of contact and coordination centers along the Danube River* | *2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target II - Developing strategic long-term cooperation between law enforcement actors along the Danube river by strengthening networks for cooperation by 2020 | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 2 -* To strengthen the cooperation with key stakeholders – Europol, Southeast European Law Enforcement Center (SELEC), Regional Cooperation Council (RCC) and others | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Joint initiatives – workshops, seminars on topics of mutual interest* | *Constant till 2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target II - Developing strategic long-term cooperation between law enforcement actors along the Danube river by strengthening networks for cooperation by 2020 | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 3 -* To work towards the involvement of the customs authorities in the cooperation within PA 11 | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Conducting meetings and seminars on topics of mutual interest* | *Constant till 2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target II - Developing strategic long-term cooperation between law enforcement actors along the Danube river by strengthening networks for cooperation by 2020 | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 4 -* To establish standardised operational procedures for joint activities in case of transboundary technical-technological water traffic accidents and to strengthen the naval transport protection | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Expert dialogue between the law enforcement authorities along the Danube* | *Constant till 2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |
| *M2* | *Strengthening the horizontal cooperation with PA 1a and involvement of the waterway sector* | *2016-219* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target II - Developing strategic long-term cooperation between law enforcement actors along the Danube river by strengthening networks for cooperation by 2020 | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 5 -* To continue demining in the mine-suspected areas of the Danube region | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Exploring the possibilities to continue the demining in the mine-suspected areas of the Danube region* | *By 2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target III - Improving the systems of border control, document inspection management and cooperation on consular related issues in the Danube region | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 1* - To further develop well-functioning border-management systems | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Strengthening and Development of the Institutional Capacity of the Border guard services of the EUSDR member states* | *2018-2019* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target III - Improving the systems of border control, document inspection management and cooperation on consular related issues in the Danube region | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 2 -* To enhance the cooperation on Consular and Visa Issues in The Danube Region | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Symposium on Document management and security of travel documents in the Danube region* | *2016* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |
| *M2* | *Development of best practices and standards in the field between the EUSDR states* | *2016-2018* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target III - Improving the systems of border control, document inspection management and cooperation on consular related issues in the Danube region | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 3 -* To foster the cooperation and exchange of best practices on document inspection management | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Joint seminar on the measures to improve the checks and the document inspection management (participation of border police authorities and waterway sector)* | *2016-2018* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |
| *M2* | *Implementation of joint measures to improve the border control* | *2016-2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target III - Improving the systems of border control, document inspection management and cooperation on consular related issues in the Danube region | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 4 -* To address the topic of better managing migration issues in the Danube Region | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Ministerial conference on migration management in the Danube region* | *2017* | | *PA 11 Coordinators* | |
| *M2* | *Implementation of follow up activities (workshops) on different sub-topics of migration management in the Danube region* | *2017-2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target IV - Promoting the rule of law and the fight against corruption | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Action 1 - To enhance the joint efforts in combating corruption and organised crime | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Regular expert-level dialogue through workshops and seminar on best practises and common measures in the fight against corruption* |  | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

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| **Roadmap for Action 1** | | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Target*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | Target IV - Promoting the rule of law and the fight against corruption | | | | |
| *EUSDR* ***Action*** *to which the Roadmap is related* | *Action 2 -* To support the Danube states in the administrative cooperation and improvement of qualifications of law enforcement | | *Deadline (year) for finalising implementation of the EUSDR* ***Action*** | | *By 2020* |
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| ***Milestones*** | *Definition of milestone* | *Planned deadline for achieving the milestone* | | *Responsible actors for the milestone* | |
| *M1* | *Joint project to enhance the capacities of the public administration in the area of international cooperation and qualification of law enforcement authorities* | *2020* | | *PA 11 Coordinators and PA 11 SG* | |

# Annex II: PA’s workplan for 1 year

*Table 9: PA’s workplan for 1 year*

| *Workplan for activities* | *Corresponding* | | | | *YEAR 1* | | | |
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| *Actions* | | | *Milestones* | *Q1* | *Q2* | *Q3* | *Q4* |
| *(a)* | *(b)* | | | *(c)* | *(d)* | *(e)* | *(f)* | *(g)* |
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| ***Policy development activities:*** | | | | | | | | |
| *Ministerial declaration on combatting terrorism in the Danube region* | *T I, A 6[[1]](#endnote-1)* | | | *M 1* |  |  |  |  |
| ***Activities related to Strategic projects:*** | | | | | | | | |
| ***Activities related to other projects:*** | | | | | | | | |
| Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Danube Property Crime Project” (the whole year) | *T I, A 5* | | | *M 1, M 2* |  |  |  |  |
| Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Strengthening of information cycle management in fight against the organized crime and illegal migration for increasing the European security” (till end of April 2016) | *T I, A 1, A 3*  *T IV, A 2* | | | *M 1 (T I, A 1)*  *M 1 (T I, A 3)*  *M 1(T IV, A 2)* |  |  |  |  |
| 4th Joint Operation on DARIF Project - DEMETER (May/June 2016) | *T I, A 1*  *TII, A 1*  *TII, A 2* | | | *M1*  *M1* |  |  |  |  |
| Workshop on on strengthening the cooperation between Police and Customs in combating drug trafficking (June 2016) |  | | | *M 1* |  |  |  |  |
| Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Countering trafficking in persons” (till 31 July 2016) | *T I, A1* | | | *M 1, M 2* |  |  |  |  |
| Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Combating Cybercrime in the Danube Region - Law Enforcement 2.0” (till end of June 2016) | *T I, A 3* | | | *M 1* |  |  |  |  |
| Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project ”Cybersecurity in Danube Region” (till the end of April 2016) | *T I, A 3* | | | *M 1* |  |  |  |  |
| Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Illicit trafficking of firearms in the Danube region” | *T I, A 4* | | | *M 1* |  |  |  |  |
| Symposium on Organised Property Crime-New approaches in combating domestic burglary (September 2016) | *T I, A5* | | | *M 2* |  |  |  |  |
| Symposium on Documents Management and Security of Travel Documents (September 2016) | *T III, A2. A3* | | | *M 1, M 2* |  |  |  |  |
| Workshop on best practices and joint actions between the border police authorities in the prevention of terrorism threats on the Danube region (October 2016) | *T I, A 6* | | | *M 2* |  |  |  |  |
| Final conference of the Cooperation Southeast Danube Region Project | *T I, A 2* | | | *M 1, M 3* |  |  |  |  |
| Workshops and implementation activities within the framework of PA 11 project “Central-European CBRN-E Training Centre” (since July 2016 ) | *T II, A 2, A 4* | | | *M 1 (T II, A 2)*  *M 1, M 2 (T II, A 4)* |  |  |  |  |
| ***Coordination and cooperation activities:*** | | | | | | | | |
| *Regular communications and meetings with the EC (the whole year)* | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Meetings and participation in events of PA 10 and PA 6 (the whole year)* | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Participation in meeting with the Secretariat of the DTP (September 2016)* | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |
| ***Activities for involvement of stakeholders and civil society:*** | | | | | | | | |
| *Regular communication and meetings with PA 11 stakeholders (the whole year)* | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Support from the NGOs (ex. Hanns Seidel and Konrad Adenauer Foundations) to PA 11 projects and initiatives (the whole year)* | |  | |  |  |  |  |  |
| ***Publicity and communication activities:*** | | | | | | | | |
| *Launching and updating PA 11 new website (the whole 2016)* | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Brochure on PA 11 work and successful stories (September-November 2016)* | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ***Management activities:*** | | | | | | | | |
| *Expert meeting between PA 11 coordinators and DSP (April 2016)* | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *PA 11 SG meetings (May 2016, November 2016)* | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *PACs meetings (January 2016, March 2016, May 2016)* | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *PA 11-PA 1a joint working group meeting (June 2016)* | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *PA 11 participation in the EUSDR Annual Forum (November 2016)* | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. Legend:

   **Target I - Security offensive - Enhancing police cooperation with the aim of improving security and tackling serious and organised crime in the EUSDR countries and strengthening the efforts against terrorism threats**

   A1: To foster the cooperation in the field of countering smuggling and trafficking in human beings

   A2: To enhance the cooperation in the area of combating illicit drug smuggling

   A3: To intensify the cooperation in combating the Internet crimes (cybercrime)

   A4: To enhance the fight against illicit trafficking of firearms in the Danube Region

   A5: To strengthen and intensify the law enforcement and police cooperation in the field of property crime

   A6: To intensify the common approach in the fight against terrorism

   **Target II - Developing strategic long-term cooperation between law enforcement actors along the Danube river by strengthening networks for cooperation by 2020**

   A1: To establish a network of contact and coordination centres along the Danube River

   A2: To strengthen the cooperation with key stakeholders – Europol, Southeast European Law Enforcement Center (SELEC), Regional Cooperation Council (RCC) and others

   A3: To work towards the involvement of the customs authorities in the cooperation within PA 11

   A4: To establish standardised operational procedures for joint activities in case of transboundary technical-technological water traffic accidents and to strengthen the naval transport protection

   A5: To continue demining in the mine-suspected areas of the Danube region

   **Target III - Improving the systems of border control, document inspection management and cooperation on consular related issues in the Danube region**

   A1: To further develop well-functioning border-management systems

   A2: To enhance the cooperation on Consular and Visa Issues in The Danube Region

   A3: To foster the cooperation and exchange of best practices on document inspection management

   A4: To address the topic of better managing migration issues in the Danube Region

   **Target IV - Promoting the rule of law and the fight against corruption.**

   A1: To enhance the joint efforts in combating corruption and organised crime

   A2: To support the Danube states in the administrative cooperation and improvement of qualifications of law enforcement. [↑](#endnote-ref-1)