



27 January 2023

To the Chair(s) of the committee(s) concerned

**Subject: Invitation to the 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of the JPSG on Europol on 26–27 March 2023**

Dear Chair,

Within the framework provided by Article 51 of the Europol Regulation (EU) 2016/794, we are pleased to invite you to the **12th Meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Scrutiny Group (JPSG) on Europol**, which will take place **on 26 and 27 March 2023 at the Swedish Parliament (Riksdag) in Stockholm**. The meeting will be held in person only.

The meeting will tackle a number of issues directly arising from the JPSG's prerogatives according to Article 51 of the Europol Regulation, including presentations by Ms Catherine DE BOLLE, Europol Executive Director, Mr Jérôme BONET, Chairperson of the Europol Management Board and Mr Wojciech WIEWIÓROWSKI, the European Data Protection Supervisor. During the meeting, there will also be keynote interventions by Ms Ylva JOHANSSON, European Commissioner for Home Affairs, and Mr Gunnar STRÖMMER, Minister for Justice of Sweden. Furthermore, the draft agenda includes two thematic debates, on *Europol's operational support to member states – with a special focus on the concept of High Value Targets/Operational Task Force (HVT/OTF)* and on *the fight against trafficking in human beings*.

**Written questions to Europol**

According to Article 4.2 of the JPSG Rules of Procedure, we kindly draw your attention to the right to address oral and written questions to Europol. Please find attached the Guide for Members on JPSG Written and Oral questions, explaining the procedure for submitting questions.

In order for Europol to prepare replies in time for the meeting, members/delegations wishing to submit written questions are kindly requested to send them to the JPSG Co-Chairs by **8 February at the latest**.

**General aspects**

We would like to recall that your Parliament/Chamber can be represented by up to four members in the JPSG (in the case of bicameral parliaments each Chamber with up to two members each). Members and their delegations will be asked to register for the meeting.

According to Article 4.3 of the JPSG Rules of Procedure, the working languages of the JPSG are English and French, therefore we would like to ask the delegations to submit all written questions, written comments or contributions in one of these two languages. Please send them to the JPSG Secretariat [jpsg.libesecretariat@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:jpsg.libesecretariat@europarl.europa.eu) and the Swedish Parliament [jpsg2023se@riksdagen.se](mailto:jpsg2023se@riksdagen.se).

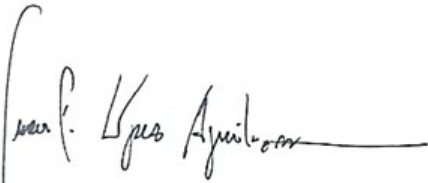
All documents submitted by Europol for the meeting in line with Article 51.3 of the Europol Regulation, as well as all contributions by the delegations to the JPSG and other relevant documents will be published on the [IPEX JPSG website](#) ahead of the meeting and distributed to delegations by email.

Further information and additional documents will be forwarded in due course to your Parliament's services.

Yours sincerely,



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Head of the Swedish Parliament Delegation to the JPSG



Mr Juan Fernando LÓPEZ AGUILAR, Co-Chair of the JPSG  
Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs  
European Parliament

Annex 1: Draft agenda of the 12th meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Scrutiny Group (JPSG) on the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol)

Annex 2: Guide for Members on JPSG Written and Oral Questions

Annex 3: Practical information