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Internal Security Fund – Instrument for financial support for police cooperation, preventing and combating crime, and crisis management

Internal Security Fund – Instrument for financial support for police cooperation, preventing and combating crime, and crisis management is a new financial mechanism established for the period between 1 January 2014 and 31 December 2020.

Objectives of the Fund

The general objective of the Instrument shall be to contribute to ensuring a high level of security in the Union.

Within the general objective, the Instrument shall contribute – in accordance with the priorities identified in relevant Union strategies, programmes, threat assessments and risk assessments – to meeting the following specific objectives:

- a. crime prevention, combating cross-border, serious and organised crime including terrorism, and reinforcing coordination and cooperation between law enforcement authorities and other national authorities of Member States, including with Europol or other relevant Union bodies, and with relevant third countries and international organisations;
- b. enhancing the capacity of Member States and the Union for managing effectively security-related risks and crises, and preparing for and protecting people and critical infrastructure against terrorist attacks and other security-related incidents.

To achieve the above objectives, the Instrument shall contribute to the following operational objectives:

- a. promote and develop measures strengthening Member States' capability to prevent crime and combat cross-border, serious and organised crime including terrorism, in particular through public-private partnerships, exchange of information and best practices, access to data, interoperable technologies, comparable statistics, applied criminology, public communication and awareness raising;
- b. promote and develop administrative and operational coordination, cooperation, mutual understanding and exchange of information among Member States' law enforcement authorities, other national authorities, Europol or other relevant Union bodies and, where appropriate, with third countries and international organisations;
- c. promote and develop training schemes, including regarding technical and professional skills and knowledge of
 obligations relating to respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, in implementation of European training
 policies, including through specific Union law enforcement exchange programmes, in order to foster a genuine
 European judicial and law enforcement culture;
- d. promote and develop measures, safeguards, mechanisms and best practices for early identification, protection and support of witnesses and victims of crime, including victims of terrorism, and in particular for child witnesses and victims, especially those who are unaccompanied or otherwise in need of guardianship;
- e. measures strengthening Member States' administrative and operational capability to protect critical infrastructure in all sectors of economic activity, including through public-private partnerships and improved coordination, cooperation, exchange and dissemination of know-how and experience within the Union and with relevant third countries;
- f. secure links and effective coordination between existing sector-specific early warning and crisis cooperation actors at Union and national level, including situation centres in order to enable the quick production of comprehensive and accurate overviews in crisis situations, coordinate response measures and share open, privileged and classified information;

g. measures strengthening the administrative and operational capacity of the Member States and the Union to develop comprehensive threat and risk assessments, which are evidence based and consistent with priorities and initiatives identified at Union level, in particular those that have been endorsed by the European Parliament and the Council, in order to enable the Union to develop integrated approaches based on common and shared appreciations in crisis situations and to enhance mutual understanding of Member States' and partner countries' various definitions of threat levels.

National Programme

In the framework of the Fund, each Member State shall submit its National Programme to the European Commission for approval. It is a multi-annual program and covers subsequent fiscal years in the period between 1 January 2014 and 31 December 2020. It shall serve as a guidance document for all measures planned for implementation in the framework of the Fund.

Załączniki

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