EU-LISA'S ROLE IN THE DIGITALISATION OF JUSTICE IN THE EU

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EU-LISA'S JUSTICE PORTFOLIO

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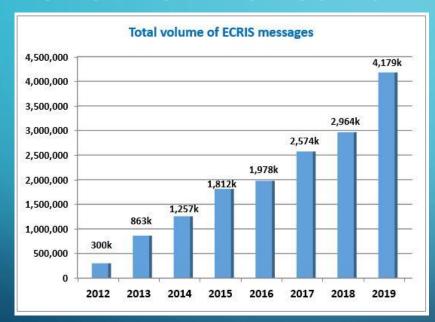
ECRIS REFERENCE IMPLEMENTATION

- Obligation to inform the MS of nationality and MS of nationality maintains a central repository of all convictions handed down against its nationals
- Decentralised system, uses EuroDomain network + limited acces
- Used in 27 Member States (+ the UK)
- Operational since April 2012
- eu-LISA provides technical maintenance since 2020





ECRIS RI STATISTICS 2012-2019



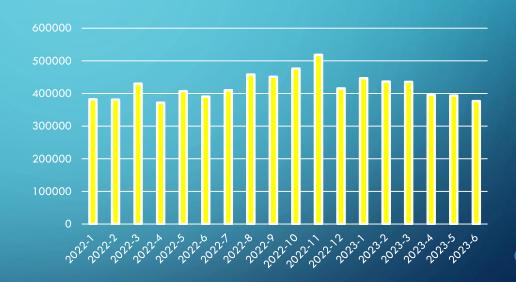
COM Report concerning the exchange through the European Criminal Records Information System (ECRIS) of information extracted from criminal records between the Member States 2017-2019

- Rapidly growing yearly volume of messages exchanged between April 2012 and December 2019
- O 4,2 million messages in 2019 with an average of 348,000 messages per month.



ECRIS RI STATISTICS 2022-2023

- More than 5 million exchanges in 2022;
- On average over420,000 exchangesper month.





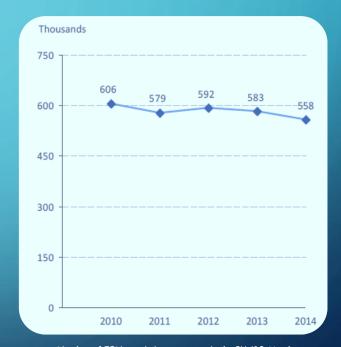
ECRIS-TCN

- Specific need as ECRIS RI is inefficient for exchanging information on TCNs' convictions
- Centralised 'hit/no hit' system complementing ECRIS
 - When there is a hit on a TCN, further information needs to be exchanged via ECRIS
- To be used by 25 Member States + Agencies
- Under development by eu-LISA.



ECRIS-TCN ESTIMATES

- In 2010-2014, there were on average 6-700,000 convictions of TCN recorded per year in the EU.
- Only 8% of the total ECRIS requests concern TCNs.



Number of TCN convictions per year in the EU (19 Member States)
Extract from Feasibility study and cost assessment of the establishment of a centralised ECRIS-TCN solution (2017)



ECRIS-TCN - NOVELTIES IT BRINGS

- Collect information on all legacy TCN convictions
- Inclusion of biometric data (FP and later on FI)
- Integrated in interoperability architecture, using IO components
- Flagged records to be used by ETIAS and VIS to support EU border management and internal security
- Direct access by EU Agencies and EPPO



E-CODEX

- Launched under the multiannual e-Justice action plan
 2009-2013 and maintained by a consortium
- e-CODEX Regulation + other legal acts
 - O Digitalisation of judicial cooperation and access to justice in cross-border civil, commercial and criminal matters
 - e-Evidence package
 - O Digital information exchange in terrorism cases
- Handover to eu-LISA is ongoing



E-CODEX

- Ensures an interoperable solution for cross-border exchange of judicial data
- Decentralised system = does not replace national solution by central approach or duplicate national system at EU level
- Use open standards
- New stakeholders



JOINT INVESTIGATONS TEAMS COLLABORATION PLATFORM

Joint investigation team set by two or more States for a specific criminal investigation with a cross-border impact and for a limited period of time.



JOINT INVESTIGATIONS TEAMS COLLABORATION PLATFORM

- Centralised system
- Available online, accessible through an appropriate identification and authentication mechanism
- Consists of the (non-interoperable) 'JIT collaboration spaces'
- Under development by eu-LISA





JOINT INVESTIGATONS TEAMS COLLABORATION PLATFORM

- Instant messaging, chat feature, audio/video
 conferencing and a replacement for standard emails
- Exchange of large files
- Storing the data to transfer
- Evidence traceability
- Daily management of the work of the JIT

NUMBER OF JITS



Source: Eurojust, JIT Network Secretariat



ROADMAP WHERE THE NEEDS DRIVING THE PROCESS

Finalisation of e-CODEX takeover

Development and EiO of ECRIS-TCN

Complete rewrite of ECRIS RI(?)



Implementation of DPS within e-CODEX

Development and EiO of JITs CP



EU-LISA'S ROLE

ROLE OF EU-LISA

DEVELOPMENT,
OPERATIONAL
MANAGEMENT





TRAININGS

RESEARCH AND
PILOT
PROJECTS





STATISTICS AND REPORTING

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DIFFERENT SYSTEMS SYSTEM SPECIFIC SOLUTIONS



Centralised vs decentralised Takeover – own development – off shelf solution Using secure network or internet

Different users' community

High volume of data or high number of exchanges

Built in silo or interlinked with other systems



DIFFERENT SYSTEMS STANDARDISED SOLUTIONS







- where the Agency's role is data processor
- Provide specific technical trainings
- Requirements for data quality standards



DIFFERENT SYSTEMS STANDARDISED SOLUTIONS





Set up governance bodies – building community



Fit for purpose and for the service they deliver

Standardised solutions while respecting particular business needs

Serve the end-users and community

Promote digitalisation of justice

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