



Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs
The Chairman

Brussels, 10 October 2023

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

Subject: Invitation to the 4th inter-parliamentary meeting on evaluation of the activities of Eurojust, 7th November 2023, 9.00-12.30

Honourable Chairperson,

I have the pleasure of inviting you to the 4th Inter-parliamentary meeting on the control of activities of Eurojust which will take place on **7th November 2023 at 9.00 in the European Parliament.**

In accordance with Article 85(1) TFEU and Article 67 (3) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 on the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust), the President of Eurojust shall appear once a year for the joint evaluation of the activities of Eurojust by the European Parliament and National Parliaments within the framework of an interparliamentary committee meeting, to discuss the agency's current activities and to present its annual report or its other key documents.

The last such meetings were organized by the European Parliament in December 2020 and in January 2022 (for 2021 exercise) and in November 2022 which also marked 20th year of Eurojust's establishment. As a consequence of the war in Ukraine, the Eurojust regulation has been amended with new provisions providing it with capacity to store and analyse and share evidence on core international crimes, outcome of which is the establishment of the Core International Crimes Evidence Database (CICED). In addition to setting up a Joint Investigation Team with Ukraine, six EU Member States and International Criminal Court, International Centre for the Prosecution of the Crime of Aggression Against Ukraine (ICPA) has been established within Eurojust. In other areas, the Eurojust has reinforced its cooperation with other EU bodies and agencies and has concluded several new agreements to structure more efficiently such cooperation.

Against this background, the LIBE Committee, in cooperation with Spanish Congress of Deputies and the Spanish Senate, would like to invite Members of National Parliaments to the 4th interparliamentary committee meeting on "**The evaluation of Eurojust activities**". The meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, **7th November 2023, from 9.00 to 12.30**, in room Antall 4Q2 at the European Parliament premises in Brussels (in-person meeting).

The topics to be addressed include a discussion on Eurojust's annual report and outlook on its activities and challenges for future cross-border judicial cooperation in criminal matters. In addition, the number of Eurojust's activities with regard to Ukraine, including the assessment of its enhanced mandate will be discussed. Finally, it is relevant to assess regularly Eurojust's activities with regard to inter-agency cooperation, where this ICM would focus on its cooperation with Europol, in particular with regard to the organised crime.

I am therefore pleased to invite up to four Members of the relevant committee(s) from each national Parliament (two from each Chamber in the case of bi-cameral Parliaments) to attend this meeting.

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Should you be unable to attend, I would welcome any written contribution, which would be distributed to our respective Members and other participants.

Practical details regarding the meeting will be forwarded in due course to your Parliament's services for relations with the European Parliament.

I sincerely hope that you will be able to accept this invitation and I am looking forward to welcoming you to the European Parliament on 7th November 2023.

Yours sincerely,



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