Engaging with existing networks The European Perspective

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- Belgian initiative in 2001
 - Consequent meetings in The Hague, Luxembourg, Vienna, Lisbon
 - 2006: Budapest
- Participants from over 35 nations, EC, UNODC, GRECO, ICAC, et al.

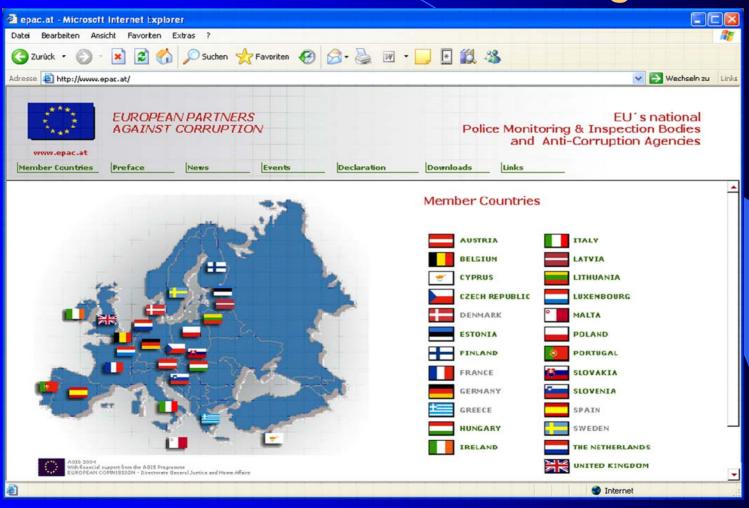
- TEU Art 29, 30 (1), 31, 34 (2)
- Action Plan to combat OC (1997)
 - Vienna Action Plan (1998)
- Tampere European Council (1999)
- European Security Strategy (2003)
- Comprehensive EU Policy against C. (2003)
 - Vienna Declaration (2004)
 - The Hague Programme (2005)
 - UN Convention Against Corruption (effective as of 14 Dec. 2005)

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 - ✓ Network sui generis



Vienna Declaration 2004

 The Heads and key representatives of the Police Monitoring & Inspection Bodies as well as the Heads and key representatives of the Anti-Corruption Agencies would welcome the idea of

a European Anti-Corruption Network (EACN)
based upon the existing structures and would
also welcome appropriate steps in this
direction by incoming
Presidencies of the European Union.

European Anti-Corruption Network → added value:

- based upon the existing structures
- harmonised, efficient and comprehensive approach towards police oversight & anticorruption in the EU context (operational level)
 - enhancement of trans-national & interagency cooperation
 - towards common standards
 - synergies → avoidance of duplications
 - experts' pool on EU level

- UNCAC (effective since 14. Dec. 2005)
- European Partners Against Corruption, EPAC:
 EU Council Decision (?)
 - European Healthcare Fraud and Corruption Network, EHFCN (Madrid, Oct.)
 - · IAACA, CHINA, October
 - AC-Conference TI, Guatemala, November
 - EPAC, Budapest, November
- Conference of State Parties, UNCAC, JORD., Dec.
 - INIOP, effec. Jan. 07 (?)



Interpol 75. General Assembly, Rio De Janeiro, 210906

International Anti-Corruption Academy in Austria



... looking forward to INIOP ...

Thank you

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