

ECRIS SUPPORT PROGRAMME

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome

Welcome to the first edition of the ESP newsletter. Many Member States have mentioned to us that you would find it useful to have regular updates on the progress of the project, as well as updates from the ECRIS Information Centre. This newsletter aims to bring you regular updates on developments and on queries processed by the team. We hope that you will find this useful.

Next ESP Conference

Following our first ESP Conference at the Imperial War Museum in London on 17th November we are pleased to announce that the next conference will take place at the Judicial Academy in **Prague, Czech Republic on 13th January**. For more information and registration please email an expression of interest to support@ecrisic.eu

New Documents on CIRCA

The following documents have been prepared by the ESP team and are now available on CIRCA for download:

Test Partners - VoC Phase 2

A document detailing test partners for each Member State to carry out Phase 2 of the Verification of Conformity:

https://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/jai/ecristechspecs/library?!=/04_test/06_voc_phase_2/choice_partners&vm=detailed&sb=Title

Test Cases - VoC Phase 2

A detailed test case document, which can be used when drafting test cases for Verification of Conformity Phase 2. This document is enhanced by Annex A, which provides more end user focused test data.

https://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/jai/ecristechspecs/library?!=/04_test/06_voc_phase_2/02_test_cases&vm=detailed&sb=Title

Requests - Accepted Languages

The team have prepared a matrix, which illustrates the languages accepted by each Member State, when receiving a request from another Member State:

https://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/jai/ecristechspecs/library?!=/11_esp&vm=detailed&sb=Title

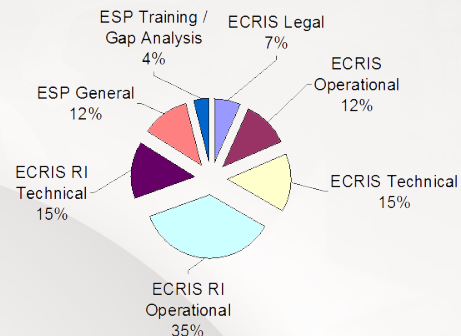
ESP Reference Document

The ESP Team have drafted a reference document, which sets out the aims of the ECRIS Support Programme and the operating procedures of the Information Centre:

https://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/jai/ecristechspecs/library?!=/11_esp&vm=detailed&sb=Title

Information Centre

The Information Centre has so far dealt with 113 queries from Member States. Below is a breakdown of the nature of queries received:



Queries were, for example, received on:

Phase 2 Verification of Conformity (choice of test partners, drafting and finalising common test cases)

Storage and retransmission of criminal conviction information.

Preparation and translation of the national reference tables (for example the mapping of national offences to ECRIS codes)

Contact details from other EU Member States

Technical questions on the ECRIS RI development in member States (liaison with the Commission's Technical Helpdesk)

Country Visits

The ESP team have now visited 18 Member States. For each visit a questionnaire has been completed and a short report sent to the European Commission. The team aim to complete the visits by the end of February 2012. A detailed analysis phase will then begin.

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