

Europol's Joint Supervisory Body further criticises the European Commission's proposal for a new Europol Regulation.

In its second opinion on the proposed regulation¹, adopted on 9 October, the JSB focusses on the consequences of the various provisions in this proposal on Europol's operational activities and on data protection. Linking these two areas is essential for a better understanding of the impact of these provisions. This second assessment confirms in detail the conclusion of the first JSB opinion that the data protection level presented in the regulation is much weaker than the one provided for by the Europol Council Decision. It also confirms that the regulation will not achieve the intended flexibility for Europol to achieve its tasks.

¹ Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation and Training (Europol) and repealing Decisions 2009/371/JHA and 2005/681/JHA.