

# Eurojust & OLAF Increase Cooperation

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At a high-level meeting between OLAF and Eurojust on 11 July 2019, both bodies agreed to [reinforce cooperation](#) in tackling crimes against the EU budget. Eurojust and OLAF committed to contacting each other at an early stage in order to form joint investigation teams. In addition, the number of coordination meetings between Eurojust national members and OLAF investigators will be increased.

*Ladislav Hamran*, President of Eurojust, highlighted that Eurojust's and OLAF's mandates are complementary; however, stepping up cooperation is in the interest of both bodies. *Ville Itälä*, Director-General of OLAF, pointed out that the institutional landscape when fighting fraud will change considerably once the European Public Prosecutor's Office starts its operational work. Therefore, adaptations governing the cooperation between OLAF and Eurojust may be necessary.

Currently, the cooperation between OLAF and Eurojust is formally based on an [agreement concluded in 2008](#).

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