

European Parliament Discussion on New Europol Regulation



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News

Following the Commission's [Proposal of 9 December 2020](#) for a Regulation amending [Regulation \(EU\) 2016/794](#) (→ [euclid 4/2020, 279](#)), European Parliament rapporteur [Javier Zarzalejos](#) (ES, EPP) published a [draft report](#) setting out a possible EP position on the Commission proposal on 10 May 2021. The rapporteur generally welcomes the targeted revision of the Europol Regulation as proposed by the Commission but suggests some amendments. The draft European Parliament legislative resolution focuses on the financial provisions, governance rules, and provisions relating to reporting and evaluation to ensure proper parliamentary scrutiny. At the end of May 2021, the draft report was discussed in the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE). and it is currently awaiting the [Committee vote](#). On 2 June 2021, the EP's Committee on Budgets reacted to the Commission Proposal and issued an [Opinion](#) revising its budgetary impact. Bar associations also reacted to the Commission's proposal – they took a more critical stance towards the planned Europol reform (→ separate news items below). The EDPS raised concerns over the impact of the plan on data protection in his opinion of 8 March 2021 (→ [euclid 1/2021, 15-16](#)).

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