

Europol Cooperates with APPF



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On 7 November 2023, Europol and the Authority for European Political Parties and European Political Foundations (APPF) signed a [Memorandum of Understanding \(MoU\)](#). With the MoU, Europol and the APPF aim to strengthen their cooperation and reinforce the resilience of EU democracies against criminal threats such as the unlawful use of personal data (i.e., data theft, data leaks, and deepfakes) in an electoral context.

The APPF is an independent EU body established for the purpose of registering, controlling, and imposing sanctions on European Political Parties and European Political Foundations pursuant to [Regulation \(EU, Euratom\) No 1141/2014](#). Furthermore, it is tasked with imposing sanctions against European political parties and foundations that try to influence European elections by illegally abusing personal data, including by cyber-enabled means. The APPF has its seat in the European Parliament.

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