

# Project A.S.S.E.T.: Setting a New Benchmark for International Cooperation in Global Asset Seizure



## News

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From 19–22 May 2026, Europol concluded the third and most successful operational [week of Project A.S.S.E.T.](#) (Asset Search & Seize Enforcement Taskforce). Project A.S.S.E.T., organised by Europol’s European Financial and Economic Crime Centre (EFECC), supports the fight against serious and organised crime and the seizure of criminal assets.

The operation was carried out in close cooperation with a broad international network of partners, including law enforcement agencies from 31 countries worldwide, asset recovery offices (AROs), financial intelligence units (FIUs), specialised anti–money laundering and organised crime units, as well as leading private-sector partners from the financial services and cryptocurrency industries.

Highlighting the unprecedented level of cooperation, the operation was further supported by Eurojust, INTERPOL’s Financial Crime and Anti-Corruption Centre (IFCACC), the EPPO, and AMLA.

As a result of this coordinated cooperation, authorities identified and traced 884 bank accounts, 80 companies, 55 crypto wallets, 74 vehicles and one vessel, and 44 real estate properties, including six valued at a combined EUR 5.64 million, and located two suspected criminals, with one arrest carried out via ENFAST.

The operation also generated significant intelligence on criminal financial networks and emerging money laundering methods, supporting ongoing investigations across participating jurisdictions and strengthening future cross-border enforcement efforts.

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