

High-Level Conference on Customs Fraud

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From 12 to 13 November 2025, OLAF and the Danish Council Presidency hosted a [high-level conference in Copenhagen](#), in which over 100 senior customs officials discussed ways to tackle customs fraud. This was the fourth edition of annual conferences on customs fraud organised by OLAF with the rotating EU Council Presidencies. This year's conference focused on pressing operational challenges in the fight against customs fraud, such as cross-border export fraud, security and defence. Participants also exchanged views on how OLAF can better support Member States' efforts in detecting, preventing, and investigating fraud. Another key discussion point dealt with the use of new technologies and automation to improve efficiency of fraud detection.

It was stressed that the effective cooperation in the fight against customs fraud is essential to prevent the EU from the deprivation of much-needed revenue and the distortion of the internal market.

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