

Project A.S.S.E.T. – New Benchmark for International Cooperation in Global Asset Seizure

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From 19–22 May 2026, Europol conducted 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 sectors.

Project A.S.S.E.T. was further supported by Eurojust, INTERPOL's Financial Crime and Anti-Corruption Centre (IFCACC), the EPPO, and the Authority for Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism (AMLA), highlighting the unprecedented level of cooperation.

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 €5.64 million. They also located two suspected criminals, with one arrest carried out via the European Network of Fugitive Active Search Teams (ENFAST).

Furthermore, the operation 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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