

Press release

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## EU.Pol plays a key role in supporting the establishment of the Police Intergroup in the European parliament

Thanks to the long-standing exchange and close cooperation between EU.Pol and several members of the European Parliament, the MEP Police Intergroup was founded on December 11, 2024. EU.Pol was part of this aspiration and looks positively into the future, together with the MEPs of this group.

The European Parliament is taking a clear stance on policing. Our police officers now have a voice in Europe," says Assita Kanko, who will chair the Intergroup.

Over the past two years, MEPs Assita Kanko (ECR, N-VA), Lena Dupont (EPP, CDU), Jeroen Lenaers (EPP, CDA), and Malik Azmani (Renew, VVD) have organized meetings in the European Parliament with representatives of police organizations from various European countries to address violence against police officers. Together, they advocated for greater attention to the needs of law enforcement and for research into their challenges at the European level.

On December 11, 2024, the European Parliament established a new MEP Police Group.

Since its foundation, EU.Pol has been in very close, trusting and good contact with the above-mentioned MEPs and has always emphasized the importance of this intergroup. As a result of this close relationship, numerous exchanges, workshops and conferences have been held in the European Parliament, enabling EU.Pol to present the needs and concerns of police officers in Europe. The concerns were heard and EU.Pol contributed significantly to the founding of the Police Intergroup. The strong lobbying of the management is bearing fruit. The European Police Federation EU.Pol is looking forward to the cooperation and is sure that together improved conditions for police officers in Europe can be defined.

EU.Pol is a collective alliance of European Police trade Unions, that acts and participates on a European level. Its purpose is safeguarding, developing and promoting the professional and union-related interests of police officers as well as guaranteeing and promoting established labour laws. EU.Pol is the largest European Federation of Police Unions.

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