

**Question for written answer E-000169/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: The need to enhance information sharing between Frontex and Europol

At a time when organised crime in Europe is on the rise and terrorism continues to pose a serious threat to our citizens, enhanced cooperation and information sharing between Frontex and Europol is of crucial importance. The Commission acknowledges these threats and has undertaken, in its Political Guidelines, to improve daily cooperation in the fight against terrorism and crime for a safer and more secure Europe. This commitment is essential and to be welcomed.

However, on 8 January 2025, the European Data Protection Supervisor announced that it had reprimanded Frontex for failing to comply with Regulation (EU) 2019/1896¹ when transmitting the personal data of suspects of cross-border crimes to Europol². This shows the clear and urgent need to revise existing rules to enable the necessary flow of information between the agencies.

What actions does the Commission intend to take to address this issue and to enhance information sharing between Frontex and Europol?

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¹ Regulation (EU) 2019/1896 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 November 2019 on the European Border and Coast Guard and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1052/2013 and (EU) 2016/1624, OJ L 295, 14.11.2019, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/1896/oj>.

² https://www.edps.europa.eu/press-publications/press-news/press-releases/2025/edps-reprimands-frontex-non-compliance-regulation-eu-20191896_en#:~:text=The%20EDPS%20reprimands%20Frontex%2C%20the,agency%20for%20law%20enforcement%20cooperation.