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From:	Presidency
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
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Subject:	Appointment of the Members of the Supervisory Committee of the European Anti-fraud Office (OLAF)
	Call for applications

The Presidency's information note from 2 March 2016¹ launched the procedure aimed at selecting the persons who will be put forward to the tripartite *ad hoc* group of high level representatives established with the task of elaborating a common proposal of candidates.

In order to ensure that the Council will be able to put forward a sufficient number of qualified candidates to the tripartite *ad hoc* group of high level representatives of the three institutions, the Presidency has decided to extend the deadline for applications to Monday 25 April COB.

Delegations which have not done so yet may put forward one candidate each, fulfilling the professional and personal criteria listed in the Annex.

The *curricula vitae* of the candidates proposed should be transmitted to the Presidency, via the Antici group, by 25 April 2016 (close of business), at the latest.

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<u>Professional and personal criteria for the appointment of</u> the members of the Supervisory Committee of OLAF

Professional criteria

- Practical and executive experience, preferably including significant related management experience, as a (high ranking) public prosecutor or judge or lawyer or auditor/investigator, ideally specialized in combating economic crime (including EU fraud) and international cooperation, or
- Expertise and management experience with regard to irregularities and fraud in relation to custom matters and European/international cooperation customs; knowledge of the budget and/or administrative experience in managing EU funds, or
- Practical or academic longstanding and high level expertise in protecting fundamental rights in investigations; or
- Practical or academic longstanding and high level expertise in criminal and/or administrative law with regard to the protection of the financial interests of the EU.

Personal criteria

- Should not have a political function when taking his/her function, either at national or European level;
- Should have sufficient general knowledge of the EU institutions, policies, legal framework and working methods;
- Should have the relevant language skills in two official languages of the institutions of the European Union necessary for the performance of the duties (candidates should also indicate their level of knowledge of other official languages);
- Should be sufficiently available to comply with his/her tasks in an efficient way (1.5 days of meeting per month and necessary preparation time);
- Must be independent from the European bodies and institutions.
- Must not be a current member of a national anti-fraud coordination service within the meaning of Article 3 (4) of Regulation 883/2013

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