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protection of the euro against counterfeiting in 2024**

**Annex II: Overview of actions for which funds were committed prior to 2024 and implemented in 2024**

Organiser <sup>1</sup>	Title of the action	Location and date	Commission Contribution <sup>2</sup>
Seminars			
BIBE Spain	Specialised course in currency counterfeiting for Latin American countries 2024 (Curso B. Aires 2024)	Buenos Aires (AR) 25-28 November 2024	EUR 176 253.94
Main objective of the action: Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.			
Technical trainings			
OCRFM France	Technical and operational training on the protection of the euro against counterfeiting (TOTP)	Clermont-Ferrand (FR) 25-28 March 2024	EUR 47 055.98
Main objective of the action: Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.			
BDE Spain	Best practices on handling euro coins unfit for circulation (Coin fitness for coin-processing machines (CPMs))	<u>Madrid (ES):</u> 2-5 April 2024 and 17-18 December 2024	EUR 58 915.70
		<u>Vienna (AT):</u> 28-30 May 2024	
		<u>Lisbon (PT):</u> 19-21 June 2024	
Main objective of the action: Increasing effectiveness in the authentication of euro coins and the classification of counterfeit euro coins.			
BDE Spain	TA Coins - Training activity on counterfeit coins analysis for technical experts (TA Coins 2024)	<u>Madrid (ES):</u> 11-12 June 2024	EUR 42 510.74
Main objective of the action: Increasing effectiveness in the authentication of euro coins and the classification of counterfeit euro coins.			
Staff exchanges			
BDE Spain	Staff exchange on procedures, knowledge and experiences in order to improve internal work methods (Staff exchange NL-ES)	<u>Madrid (ES):</u> 21-26 April 2024	EUR 32 146.55
		<u>Zeist (NL):</u> 9-14 June 2024	
Main objective of the action: Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.			
CCAFM Italy	Staff exchange on investigation techniques against currency counterfeiting (SEITACC3)	Visits to the participating countries: BH, EG, HU, MT, TN, TR (January-May 2024)	EUR 63 664.73
		<u>Rome (IT):</u> 9-14 September 2024	

<sup>1</sup> The unabbreviated names of the organisers can be found in the list of competent national authorities referred to in Article 2(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1338/2001, OJ C 264, 12.8.2015, p. 2–29.

<sup>2</sup> Amount committed in euro - Budget line: 06.030100-C1-ECFIN.

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<i>Main objective of the action:</i> Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.			
GdF Italy	Technical and operational training on the protection of the euro against counterfeiting (2023-IT-LENTE)	Visits to the participating countries: AL, EL, HU, RS, TR (April-July 2024) <u>Rome/Naples (IT):</u> 4-8 March 2024	EUR 69 303.26
<i>Main objective of the action:</i> Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.			
CCAFM Italy	Staff exchange with Bulgaria (SEITACC4)	<u>Rome (IT):</u> 20-31 May 2024 <u>Sofia (BG):</u> 3-14 June 2024	EUR 21 836.83 <sup>3</sup>
<i>Main objective of the action:</i> Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.			
GdF Italy	Law Enforcement agencies against euro counterfeiting (2023-IT-LEGION)	<u>Rome/Naples (IT):</u> 22-28 September 2024 <u>Türkiye:</u> 30 September-11 October 2024	EUR 23 235.26
<i>Main objective of the action:</i> Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.			
<b>Mid-term evaluation Pericles IV Programme</b>			
European Commission ECFIN	Mid-Term evaluation of the Pericles IV Programme		EUR 156 502.50 <sup>4</sup>
Art. 13 of the Pericles IV Regulation indicates that the mid-term evaluation of the Pericles IV Programme shall be carried out no later than four years after its start, which was 2021. The mid-term evaluation (covering 2021-2023) will assess, amongst others, the achievements of the Programme's objectives against the criteria of effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and EU added value.			

<sup>3</sup> Budget lines: 06.030100-C1-ECFIN (EUR 15 430.12) and 06.039901-C5-ECFIN (EUR 6 406.71).

<sup>4</sup> Budget lines BGUE-B2023-06.010200-C1-ECFIN.