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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: Law Enforcement Working Party (Customs)

Date: 17 November 2025
Time: 10:00
Venue: COUNCIL
LEX BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 145, 1048 BRUSSELS

Format: 2+2 (Presidency 2+2)¹

- Adoption of the agenda**
- Information by the Presidency**
14690/25 (to be issued)

¹ Items 4 to 11 in the presence of EPPO, Europol and Frontex. Item 6 in the presence of EUCAB and item 9 in presence of WCO.

3. Preparations for Customs Threat Assessment (CTA) 2027

14699/25 *(to be issued)*

- Presentation by the Presidency
- Exchange of views

4. 13th Action Plan of the Law Enforcement Working Party (Customs) 2026 – 2027

4.1. Action 13.1 Tackling irregularities in cash movements

14695/25 *(to be issued)*

- Presentation by the action leader (FR) on draft mandate
- Exchange of views and possible agreement

4.2. Action 13.3 Combating drug smuggling in sea and air transport

14696/25 *(to be issued)*

- Presentation by the action leader (FR) on draft mandate
- Exchange of views and possible agreement

4.2. Action 13.7 Challenges in customs procedure 42 – cooperation between customs authorities

14671/25

- Presentation by the action leader (DE) on draft mandate
- Exchange of views and possible agreement

5. 12th Action Plan LEWP-C Action Plan (2024-2025)

5.1. Action 12.3 Customs financial fraud: undervaluation

14623/25

- Presentation by the action leader (HU) on draft final report
- Exchange of views and possible agreement

5.2. Action 12.5 Illicit production and trafficking of cannabis

14700/25 *(to be issued)*

- Presentation by the action co-leader IT on the results of Operation THICKening BAD
- Presentation by the action leader (IE) on draft final report
- Exchange of views and possible agreement

6. EU Customs Alliance for Borders (EUCAB)

- Presentation by EUCAB on state of play of the Air & Post, Maritime, Land Border and Mobile Cooperations Units
- Exchange of views

7. Horizon Europe projects on border security relevant for customs authorities

- Presentation by the Commission on Borderlink, BAG-INTEL etc.
- Exchange of views

8. Combating maritime smuggling through new technologies, including drones

- Presentation by Spanish delegation
- Exchange of views

9. Detector dogs

- Presentation by WCO on new canine programme, accreditation standards and project on synthetic drugs detection
- Exchange of views

10. EMPACT Joint Action Days Finestra, Pirates and White Sea

- Presentation by Frontex on the operational results
- Exchange of views

11. Follow up on strengthening resilience of customs authorities

- Presentation by the Presidency on Preparedness note
13046/1/25 REV 1
- Presentation by the Presidency on the Handbook on Resilience
13437/25
- Exchange of views

12. Implementation of the ProtectEU: Internal Security Strategy

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- Presentation by the Commission on state of play from a customs perspective

13. Any other business

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