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A European Union's
Twinning Project for Serbia

Support to the preparation
for the establishment of
the “Supplementary
Information Request at the
National Entries” (SIRENE)
Bureau in Serbia



General Information

What is SIRENE?

SIRENE stands for *Supplementary Information Request at the National Entries*. Each Member State operating the Schengen Information System (SIS) has set up a national SIRENE Bureau, **operational 24/7**, that is **responsible for any supplementary information exchange** and coordination of activities connected to SIS alerts. Efficient SIRENE cooperation is a key element for the effective functioning of the concept of SIS. The cooperation between Member States may be one-to-one or one-to-many and always needs to be linked to a specific SIS alert. In order to ensure prompt, confidential and efficient follow-up of cases, communication is accomplished through the structured exchange of standardized forms via a secure network.

What are the tasks of the national SIRENE Bureaux?

- Providing supplementary information on alerts
- Validating alerts on persons wanted for arrest
- Contacting the Member State that issued the alert when a match (hit) has been made and the required action has been taken
- Contacting the Member State that issued the alert when the required action cannot be taken
- Supervising data quality and compatibility of alerts
- Coordinating cross-border activities related to SIS alerts
- Handling requests to access personal data.

TWINNING PROJECT

Overall objective

To contribute to meeting security standards for police information exchange between Serbia and EU Member States in accordance with EU standards based on the European Information Exchange Model (EIXM).

Specific objective

To prepare all the necessary technical, legal and human resources requirements necessary for the establishment of the "Supplementary Information Request at the National Entries"(SIRENE) Bureau in Serbia.

Project duration

March 2020 – March 2022 (24 months)



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Expected results

- **Component 1**
Legal framework for the establishment of the SIRENE Bureau in accordance with the SIRENE Manual improved
- **Component 2**
Roadmap for the establishment of the SIRENE Bureau in accordance with the SIRENE Manual drafted
- **Component 3**
To prepare HRM organization for the establishment of the SIRENE Bureau prepared and Functional HR analysis (with necessary number of staff) in line with the SIRENE Manual developed
- **Component 4**
Capacity of staff to take up positions in the SIRENE Bureau strengthened
- **Component 5**
Technical requirements for the establishment of the SIRENE Bureau identified and capacities of staff for the establishment of the required systems enhanced