<u>Europol and Frontex to exchange</u> liaison officers



In December, Europol and <u>Frontex</u>, <u>the European Border and Coast Guard Agency</u> signed an agreement to exchange liaison officers. The agreement is part of the Joint Action Plan signed by the Executive Directors of the two agencies last year, aimed at strengthening the agencies' common effort in enhancing the security of EU citizens.

The liaison officers will contribute to information exchange between both agencies.

"I am looking forward to welcoming the first Europol liaison officer in Warsaw later this year. The exchange of information between the two agencies will improve the work of border guards and support investigations," said **Frontex Executive Director Fabrice Leggeri**.

"I am glad to welcome the Frontex liaison officer to our headquarters in The Hague. With more than 250 officers from almost 50 countries and agencies, Europol hosts the biggest law enforcement network in Europe. Liaison officers meet and network daily under one roof; they build strong international working relationships, coordinate operational cooperation, and securely share criminal information and best practices," added Europol Executive Director Catherine De Bolle.

The first liaison officers will start working in Warsaw and The Hague later this year.