

Political Compromise Reached on eu-LISA New Regulation

□ Today, the European Parliament (LIBE Committee) and the Council (COREPER) reached a political compromise on the Commission's proposal to strengthen the mandate of the eu-LISA.

Welcoming the compromise agreement, Commissioner for Migration, Home Affairs and Citizenship Dimitris Avramopoulos and Commissioner for the Security Union Julian King said:

Commissioner for Migration, Home Affairs and Citizenship Dimitris Avramopoulos: *"Today's agreement represents another crucial building block towards a more secure and resilient European Union. A strengthened eu-LISA will be the nerve centre for the development and maintenance of all our information systems on migration, border management and security, and crucially, their interoperability. We want to connect all the dots, not just legally but also operationally – and a stronger and more efficient eu-LISA will precisely help us do this."*

Commissioner for the Security Union Julian King added: *"In the future, eu-LISA will play a pivotal role in helping keep Europe safe. Today's agreement means that the Agency will have the resources it needs to manage the EU's information systems for security and border management, help them to interact more efficient and improve the quality of the data they hold – an important step forward."*

On hearing about the outcome of the meeting, eu-LISA's Executive Director Krum Garkov said: *"Reaching a political compromise on our revised mandate is the biggest step towards the Agency's future so far. It opens the door for eu-LISA to significantly increase its contribution to the Member States and to the EU as a whole. I am confident that all of us at the Agency are looking forward to the day we can start to implement our new mandate using the preparation work we have been putting in place over the last months. These are very exciting times for the Agency and I am eager to take it to the next level."*

The compromised text agreed in today's final trilogue will now have to be formally adopted by the European Parliament and the Council.