

Dear EURIEC partner,

We look back on a period for the EURIEC full of wonderful collaborations and knowledge exchanges. There was a lot of interest in the information meeting for German partners about the (organisation of the) administrative approach in the Netherlands and Belgium. We are also proud of the guide to the Dutch local BRP regulation, which indicates how Dutch municipalities may share data from the population register with EU countries. In this way, we have taken the international exchange of data a step further.

You can read about this and many other activities in this newsletter.

With kind regards,

Rob Hutschemaekers
Head of EURIEC



RESULTS IN PRACTICE

On May 8, 2022, investigative agencies in Kleve conducted simultaneous searches in six properties. The purpose was to check the living conditions of migrant workers. The migrant workers were employed by Dutch temporary employment agencies and were housed in German homes. The investigation continues against two suspects. The investigation focuses on the sometimes miserable conditions in which the migrant workers lived as well as the withholding of rent from their salaries.



ACTIVITIES SINCE START OF SECOND PROJECT PHASE:



126 meetings



47 new case requests



15 new information products

INFORMATION



**SHARING
KNOWLEDGE**

Data from the Dutch population register may not be shared with foreign municipalities just like that. This also applies to data that are supposed to be shared in the context of the administrative approach to organised crime. In order to make it possible to share these data under certain conditions with foreign municipalities, it is required that Dutch municipalities amend their local BRP regulations. The EURIEC prepared a **manual** for this purpose.

CONFERENCE APELDOORN

Annelore Eichel, Account Manager Germany, presented the EURIEC in the workshop “Unterwanderung und Kriminalitätsbekämpfung” at the security conference in Apeldoorn on 12 May 2022. She reported on cases and experiences from 3 years of cooperation in the administrative approach.

Find out more: [click here](#)



AWARENESS

On Friday April 29th and Thursday May 5th, the EURIEC organised two info days for German partners to learn more about the RIEC-LIEC organization and the ARIEC organization. In the city hall of Maastricht, delegates of the attending partners received an introduction on the role of the RIEC's and ARIEC's in tackling crime in Belgium and the Netherlands.

The info days were attended by delegates of the following German organisations: Landeskriminalamt (LKA) NRW, Bundeskriminalamt (BKA), students and professors of the Hochschule für Polizei und öffentliche Verwaltung NRW (HSPV), Bundespolizei, Universität Osnabrück, Ministerium für Heimat, Kommunales, Bau und Gleichstellung des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen, StädteRegion Aachen, Staatsanwaltschaft Aachen, Innenministerium NRW, Steuer Aachen, Staatsanwaltschaft Kleve, Bundespolizei and SiKoRuhr.

[Click here](#) for more information and the program.

WITHIN THE COMMUNITY

- The ARIEC Antwerp published the 'drug labs and dumping of drug waste' playbook. This script discusses the problem of drug labs and dumping of drug waste, what possibilities there are for an integrated approach, what authorities can work on and which partners are relevant. Consult the scenario on the [sharepoint](#) of ARIEC Antwerp.
- The RIEC Oost-Nederland presented a [study](#) and associated practical action framework on criminal investments in vacation parks. For questions about this, please contact [the RIEC Oost-Nederland](#).
- After Nordrhein-Westfalen, Lower Saxony is now also interested in the administrative and integrated approach to organized crime and the Dutch RIEC-LIEC structure. In August, members of the EURIEC will tell more about this during a theme day organized by the University of Osnabrück.



Information days organized for our German partners



Gennard Stulens gives a guest lecture

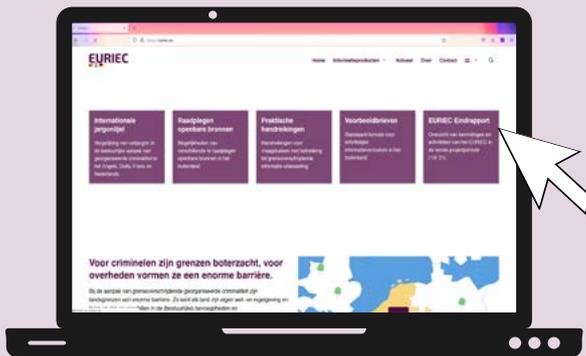
GUEST LECTURE UM

Coordinator Luud Geerlings and Public Affairs - Account managers Vera Huijgens and Gennard Stulens gave a guest lecture to forensic accountancy students at Maastricht University.

Find out more: [Click here](#).

COOPERATION WITH UNIVERSITIES

The EURIEC guided the student project „EURIEC – Administrative Strukturen zur (behördenübergreifenden) Bekämpfung der organisierten Kriminalität – Bestand und Entwicklung der organisierten Zusammenarbeit am Beispiel der niederländischen RIEC’s und der Siko-Ruhr“ of the Hochschule für Polizei und öffentliche Verwaltung NRW (HSPV NRW). This project was concluded at the end of June 2022 where the students presented their findings to several interested partners. The project report will also be published soon by the HSPV NRW.



EXPERT PLATFORM

In May, the EURIEC, in cooperation with the ARIEC Antwerp and Taskforce RIEC Zeeland-Brabant organized an expert platform. Several Belgian and Dutch municipalities and police districts participated in this expert platform. The focus of the expert platform was to identify shared problems in the border region of ‘the Kempen’. Several shared problems emerged from the consultation, as a result of which it was decided to focus on one specific theme in the next expert platforms. For example, the next consultation platform in October will focus on crime at (international) business parks.

THREE-COUNTRY CONFERENCE OF THE TAX AUTHORITIES

On Thursday 23 June, coordinator Luud Geerlings and Public Affairs - Account Manager for the Netherlands Vera Huijgens gave a workshop at the second three-country conference of the tax authorities of Belgium, the Netherlands and Germany (North Rhine-Westphalia and Lower Saxony). The conference took place in the beautiful historic buildings of Schloss Nordkirchen.

Find out more: [Click here](#).



ANNUAL MEETING PROFESSORS HSPV

Together with Prof. Dr. Christof Muthers and Prof. Dr. Marc Röckinghausen of the HSPV (Hochschule für Polizei und öffentliche Verwaltung) NRW, the EURIEC team discussed the objectives for the second project phase of the EURIEC in Germany. The EURIEC and the professors agreed that cases with a cross-border component will continue to be legally assessed by the above-mentioned professors of the HSPV. In addition, based on the existing cases and future cases, a kind of case book will be developed as a handbook for the interested partners. The scientific support by the two professors will also focus on the systematic analysis of the possibilities of obtaining information through public registers. Finally, the legal possibilities and limitations of a German legislation similar to the BIBOB legislation in the Netherlands will be investigated.

See: [Objectives 2nd phase](#)

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SIKORUHR

The EURIEC participated in the annual conference of the SiKoRuhr on “Clankriminalität” in Selm. Coordinator Luud Geerlings spoke about networking and cooperation of authorities in the Netherlands. Account Manager for Germany Annelore Eichel discussed the need for networking and cooperation of authorities with Dr. Kornut Bugdy (IM NRW), Police Commissioner Alexander Dieselhuis (Duisburg), Prof. Dr. Christian Endreß (ASW West e.V) and Prof. Dr. Bernhard Frevel (HSPV NRW).

More info: [Click here.](#)



WITHIN THE EURIEC



Vera Huijgens has been able to help quite a few municipalities in establishing international contacts and enabling data exchange after she started on February 1 as an account manager and PA officer.



Annet Klinkers now has a beautiful daughter and is still enjoying her maternity leave until early September.



Eucrim published an article written by **Gennard Stulens**. The article describes the role which local authorities can and should play in the fight against organised crime and against money laundering. You can find the full article [here](#).



Annelore Eichel and **Luud Geerlings** have worked together for years in the development of the EURIEC. Now they have been working together in the EURIEC for three years. The networks they have built up are very useful in this respect.



Laura Pauels has recently been working on the further development of the barrier model regarding undermining in licensing, in addition to organizing various meetings and expert platforms.



Sweet Oliver was born at the end of April 2022. **Naomi van Loon** will return from her maternity leave in early August and can be reached again for all communication questions on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.



As of July 1, 2022, our German lawyer **Dr. Valentin Urban** will start at a law firm in Germany. In addition, he continues to study for his second state legal exam.