



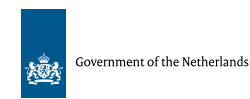
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EL PACCTO

2.0

EU-LAC Partnership
on justice and security

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OUTCOMES AND AGREEMENTS REACHED



The Justice Policy Cycle (C-JUST) is composed of 3 regional justice networks: AIAMP, COMJIB and CJI.

OBJECTIVE OF THE MEETING: to unite the efforts of Latin American and European regional justice institutions to move towards more effective legal cooperation, discussing priority actions and instruments for judicial cooperation between both regions, including issues such as mutual legal assistance, asset recovery, extradition, joint investigation teams, digitalisation of judicial systems or electronic evidence.

2022

The **EU-Latin America Justice Policy Cycle** is an initiative promoted from 2022 by the EU's EL PACCTO Programme. C-JUST is a mechanism to facilitate judicial cooperation between Latin American regional justice institutions and the main EU justice institutions.

**Panama
March 2024**

Launch of EL PACCTO 2.0:

- Commitments are renewed with the signing of the 'Declaration of Panama'.
- Meeting with the CATS Committee is scheduled in Brussels under the Belgian EU Presidency.

**Brussels
30-31 May 2024**

EU-Latin America Senior Officials Meeting on Justice Cooperation. cooperation in the field of justice.

AIAMP, COMJIB and CJI sign the Programmatic Planning Agreement for the Justice Policy Cycle (2025-2027):



- » An agenda of six-monthly meetings is established.



- » It is proposed to the European Union to organise regular meetings, starting in 2025, in parallel to the Standing Committee on Operational Cooperation on Internal Security of the Council of the European Union (COSI) and the Latin American Committee on Internal Security (CLASI).



- » The coordination of C-JUST with the security policies developed by the Latin American Committee on Internal Security (CLASI) will be promoted.



- » EL PACCTO 2.0 is recognised as the programme that articulates the actions of C-JUST.



- » The cooperation priorities are ratified:
 - Organised crime-related offences: corruption, economic crime, drug trafficking, arms trafficking, human trafficking and smuggling, money laundering.
 - Cybercrime.
 - Crimes against the environment and cultural property.



- » The commitment to human rights, the gender approach, the protection of victims of organised crime and the strengthening of mechanisms for the protection of legal professionals is ratified.

WITH THE CATS COMMITTEE

(Coordination Committee in the field of police and judicial cooperation in criminal matters)

Agreements

- » Commitment and interest of both regions in advancing bi-regional dialogue on justice issues.
- » The position of EL PACCTO 2.0 as a privileged strategic interlocutor to enhance the EU-LAC partnership in the field of justice and security was widely recognised.
- » Support of the forthcoming EU Council Presidencies for the bi-regional dialogue on justice.



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PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES

For Latin America. Regional Justice Networks:

- » **Ibero-American Association of Public Prosecutors' Offices-AIAMP:** Presidency and Permanent General Secretariat (SGP).
- » **Conference of Ministers of Justice of Ibero-American Countries-COMJIB:** General Secretariat and Permanent General Secretariat (SGP).
- » **Ibero-American Judicial Summit:** Permanent Secretariat and the Summit Coordination and Follow-up Committee.

For the European Union:

- » **Coordination Committee in the field of Judicial Cooperation in Criminal Matters (CATS) of the European Union.** Representatives of Belgium, Spain, Hungary and Poland.
- » **General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union.**
- » **European Commission:** Directorate-General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA); Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers (DG JUST); Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs (DG HOME).
- » **European External Action Service (EEAS).**
- » **Eurojust.**