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Annex I: Overview of actions for which funds were committed in 2024

Organiser ¹	Title of the action	Location and date	Commission Contribution ²		
Seminars					
BDP Portugal	Pericles 2025 - A practical vision of the fight against counterfeiting (Euro protection 2025)	<u>Lisbon (PT)</u> : 18-20 March 2025	EUR 86 042.00		
	Main objective of the action: Increasing effectiveness in the authentication of euro coins and the classification of counterfeit euro coins.				
European Commission ECFIN	3rd EU-China Platform Meeting on the Protection of Currencies against Counterfeiting	Brussels (BE): 17-18 September 2024 The Hague (NL): 19 September 2024	EUR 117 000.00		
<i>Main objective of the action</i> : increasing effectiveness in the authentication of euro coins and the classification of counterfeit euro coins.					
European Commission ECFIN	6th Platform 1210 Meeting	Zagreb (HR): 2-3 October 2024	EUR 130 808.60		
Main objective of the action: Increasing effectiveness in the authentication of euro coins and the classification of counterfeit euro coins.					
BIBE Spain	Specialist counterfeiting course for Ibero- American countries 2025 (Curso Quito 2025)	Quito (EC): 25-28 November 2025	EUR 180 081.00		
Main objective	Main objective of the action: Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.				
	Technical trai	nings			
CNB Croatia	Euro counterfeit technical analysis training and enforcement of ALERT network in South-East Europe (ALERT)	Zagreb (HR): 8 November 2024 Techical training courses in the participating countries: ME, MK, RS, AL, TR, XK, BH, EL (February-June 2024) Istanbul (TR): 15-16 September 2025	EUR 119 377.33		
Main objective of the action: Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.					
BDE Spain	Training activity on counterfeit coins analysis for technical experts (TA-coins 2025)	<u>Madrid (ES</u>): June 2025	EUR 45 102.00		
Main objective of the action: Increasing effectiveness in the authentication of euro coins and the classification of counterfeit euro coins.					

The unabbreviated names of the organisers can be found in the list of competent national authorities referred to in Article 2(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1338/2001, OJ C 264, 12.8.2015, p. 2–29.

Amount committed in euro - Budget line: 06.030100-C1-ECFIN.

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Staff exchanges					
CCAFM Italy	Staff exchange on investigation techniques against currency counterfeiting (SEITACC5)	Rome (IT) - In 2025: 18-21 February (BH) 7-11 April (EL, MD, MK, XK) 14-16 May (AT) Visits in 2025 to the participating countries:	EUR 76 439.73		
		AT, BH, EL, MD, MK, XK (April-September) Secondments in 2025: 12-23 May: Austrian police expert to CCAFM 1-12 September: CCAFM expert to the Austrian authorities			
Main objective of the action: Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.					
GdF Italy	Italy and Türkiye agencies fight together against euro counterfeiting (2024-IT-INTEGRATE)	Italy: February 2025 Türkiye: April 2025	EUR 44 685.00 ³		
Main objective of the action: Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.					
BIBE Spain	Promotion of the establishment of an NCO in Uruguay 2025 (NCO Uruguay Project)	<u>Uruguay</u> : 5-9 May 2025 <u>Spain</u> : 9-13 June 2025	EUR 37 542.06 ⁴		
Main objective of the action: Strengthening cooperation and the exchange of know-how.					
Purchase of equipment					
PJ Portugal	Capacity building initiative for detection, analysis and report of counterfeit euro bAnknotes by Cape Verdean police authorities (COUNTERACT)	Praia (CV): 4-8 November 2024 10-21 March 2025 On-line assistance: 1 April-31 July 2025	EUR 76 908.62		
Main objective of the action: supporting the competent national authorities of third countries in their fight					
against euro counterfeiting E-grants tool					
European Commission ECFIN	Yearly eGrants fee	EUR 37 225.00			
The use of the eGrants tool, implies a yearly fee for its usage, which contributes to the sustainability and the technical support team of the eGrants platform conducting change requests and hosting infrastructure.					

Budget line 06.030100-C4-ECFIN. Budget lines: 06.030100-C1-ECFIN (EUR 15 770.72) and 06.030100-C4-ECFIN (EUR 21 771.34).