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From:	Working Party on Frontiers/False Documents - Mixed Committee (EU-Iceland/Liechtenstein/Norway/Switzerland)
On:	4 December 2015
Subject:	Summary of discussions

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1.   General exchange of information

The **Presidency** informed the WP on the distributed Handbook by FRONTEX regarding impostor risk profiles. **CY** debriefed the WP on the new Cypriot drivers´ licence issued according to the 126/2006/EC Directive**. FR** gave information on the ID fraud project regarding issuance of birth certificates in Member States and third countries.

2.   Modus operandi of criminal organizations/networks trafficking in false and falsified documents

No information was provided under this point.

3.   Information on a new passport

UK gave information on the new Series B UK e-passport, its design and its security features. A discussion with questions from **SK** and **SE** on the specific techniques used in the creation of the e-passport followed.

4. Information on the Irish passport card

IE informed the WP regarding the Irish passport card (recognised only in the EU and EEA), its validity period and its security features. The **Commission** asked for a specimen, while a number of delegations (**ES, EL, BE, IT, SE**) had questions concerning its maximum validity period, the functions of the electronic chip and the recognition of the card by third countries.

5. Information on the new EU laissez-passer

The **Commission** informed the WP that the first 1000 new EU laissez-passer were produced and since 24 November, 2015, they were being introduced into the circulation. As a consequence, since 25 November, 2015, all old EU laissez-passer are no longer valid, notwithstanding their expiry date (exceptions apply if a still valid visa is affixed, in which case the laissez-passer remains valid for the same period as visa and should be used in conjunction with a valid travel document). Because of the still outstanding publication of the new "EUE" code for the European Union by ICAO and ISO, which is foreseen for mid 2016, the new EU laissez-passer would not be recognisable by the e-gate readers. Meanwhile, the Commission asked delegations to inform their competent authorities that the error message should not block the passage of the holder. The Commission is in contact with **AT** concerning the description of the new EU laissez-passer in FADO and PRADO.

6. Quick Check Card concept and FRONTEX request to use iFADO images for the creation of QCC´s

The **FRONTEX** representative informed the WP on the structure and on the aims of the concept of QCCs and invited delegations to give consent to FRONTEX to use *iFADO* images. Some delegations had security concerns regarding the transmission of information (**DK, CY**) and on the scope of the QCC concept which includes joint operations' officers (**NL**). Several delegations were in favour of the proposition, but asked for the inclusion of the Reference Manual into *iFADO* in exchange, along with images being exchanged(**SE, PT, LT**). According to the **Council Legal Service**, it would be advisable to submit a question to Coreper to give mandate to the WP to decide on a case by case basis on providing access to third parties to *iFADO* content. **FRONTEX** was asked to provide more detailed information, in particular on the target group for QCCs; the WP will revert to the issue at the next WP meeting under the NL Presidency.

7. **INTERPOL Dial-Doc System**

The **INTERPOL** representative gave a general overview of INTERPOL´s priorities and functions, briefed the WP on Dial-Doc, the "Digital Interpol Alert Library - Document" , a secure platform for information exchange containing 17 databases. Moreover, he gave information on INTERPOL´s S-PRINT project, aiming at tracking intaglio printing machines and other high-quality equipment in order to establish a bona fide lifecycle chain. A number of delegations (**IS, DE, LT**) pointed at possible duplications of databases and proposed to explore additional possibilities for exchanging information through a unique common depository of data.

8. **Detecting fraud in e-passports from an electronic perspective**

The Luxembourgish public organisation **INCERT GIE Luxembourg** informed the WP on the challenges and on the necessary steps in detecting fraudulent e-passports.

9. **DELETED**

10. Information on the FADO system

The **FADO team of the General Secretariat of the Council (GSC)** presented a summary of the state of play of the FADO system and on the outcome of the FADO User Group meeting of 3 December 2015, as set out in the ANNEX.

11. AOB

EL provided information and specimen regarding the new residence permit card, which will be circulated in the autumn of 2016. **BE** informed the WP on the issue of stolen Belgian visas; more information to follow in writing. **NL** presented the programme and the priorities of the incoming presidency. The next WP meetings under the NL presidency will be held on 10 February, 28 April and 30 June 2016.

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Agenda pt. 10: Information on the FADO System

- Presentation by the FADO team in the GSC

Expert FADO, *iFADO* and PRADO

State of Play

**Report to the Working Party on Frontiers / False Documents - Mixed Committee
(EU - Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland)**

Friday, 4 December 2015

A. Planned Expert FADO user trainings

User trainings for Expert FADO linguists: basic and advanced: Tuesday, 19 January 2016

Whole day trainings for originators, starting at 10:00 hours:
- Basic user training: Wednesday, 20 January 2016
- Advanced user training (feedback session):   Thursday, 21 January 2016

Requests for participation to be sent to **helpline.FADO@consilium.europa.eu**

A minimum of 3 participants per training session is required.

A first basic user training session for the new participating member state Croatia is planned to take place at the Point of Presence.

B. Third countries' documents – descriptions in FADO - who does what in 2015/16: document ST 8173/1/15 REV 1 FAUXDOC 6 COMIX 82

18 participating countries (out of 31) had answered, only 15 of them committed themselves in April 2015 to introduce third countries' documents during the months to come.

Up to now only 30 of the documents mentioned in the above mentioned table have been introduced into FADO, but many more other documents have been introduced in 2015 up to now.

Some member states have reaffirmed their plans during the informal FADO User Group (FUG) meeting on 4 December 2015; the FUG will come back to the above mentioned planning document in 2016.

C. New promotional flyers for PRADO

New promotional PRADO flyers have been produced for the first time in all 24 official languages:

The (not printer friendly!) online PDF versions you can view online and download from the EU bookshop:

http://bookshop.europa.eu/en/do-you-check-identity-documents-or-identity-documents--pbQC0115618/

If printer friendly PDFs or hardcopy printouts are needed in any of the languages, please contact **helpline.FADO@consilium.europa.eu.**

D. New version of the FADO Writing Rules

The FADO Writing Rules document, version 5.09 from 22 October 2015 has been issued as ST 13087/15 FAUXDOC 22 COMIX 498. For the first time translations into all currently supported languages will be provided. They are planned to be finalised mid January 2016.

E. Cooperation in the area of document fraud

In preparation of the incoming NLD Presidency, the FADO team in the GSC is in regular contact with NLD experts & technicians in order to enable direct access from *iFADO* to the DISCS (Document Information System of Civil Status) system (in the version only describing civil status documents), without the need to log on a second time

Planned: Direct access to DISCS both for iFADO users of the GSC central proxies, as well as for *iFADO* users connected via national proxies, without a 2nd log-on

Planning: Implementation during the NLD Presidency. Details will be communicated to the Working Party by the incoming NLD Presidency (& by the GSC as deemed appropriate).

Advantage for iFADO users: Immediate access to information on (in partiucular third countries') breeder documents, which are currently not described in iFADO

F. Cooperation in the area of document fraud

The proposal by Frontex to provide the electronic (inter-active) PDF version of the new Handbook on Impostor Risk Profiles for adding it to iFADO was welcomed by the FADO User Group on 03.12.2015. This new handbook will be made available to *iFADO* users as soon as possible.

Up to now 3 meetings – initiated by the LUX Presidency, of theFADO team in the General Secretariat of the Council with Frontex, the Commission and with Interpol have taken place in Brussels.

Authentic documents:

Frontex QCC (Quick Check Cards) for 1st line verification; planned also for some third countries and for airlines: One A4 page only, but better image quality than PRADO. Considered useful & necessary & planned to be available to 1st line officers and airport (airline) staff. Details to be provided by Frontex. The FUG has been informed; the Working Party will be dealing with the possible dissemination of information from *iFADO* to Frontex for this purpose.

Currently planned actions for more user-friendliness & to improve international and inter-institutional communication and cooperation include:

- a common FADO terminology (glossary) for Interpol DialDoc & for Frontex QCCs
- a uniform file name reference structure (document codes) for the Frontex QCCs
- the use of common (FADO) templates for Frontex alerts and specimen
- further investigations on improved interoperability to avoid (part of the) duplication of work
- member states should define a policy on information exchange with third countries - only concerning Frontex using *iFADO* information for QCCs, or a more general approach are thinkable.

G. FADO User Group meeting

The informal FUG on 03.12.2015

- has agreed on the new USOR (User Security Operational Requirements) document version 1.04, in which in particular two residual confidentiality risks are accepted on the basis of personal trust and
- has taken note of the information of member states that, generally speaking, the usage of iFADO is steadily increasing – and in some MS on a high level of usage -, but that no particular impact on the usage of iFADO since the beginning of the refugee crisis has been noted. Increased awareness in the first line has up to now not led to a significant increase of detections of false documents (rather of imposters).

H. New visual identity of the Council family

Integration of PRADO into the Council website: PRADO is now again fully integrated in the Council website; the PRADO pages have been moved from http://prado.consilium.europa.eu/ back to **http://www.consilium.europa.eu/prado/**.

New PRADO layout: PRADO has been revamped in order to comply with the new visual identity, style guide and web accessibility requirements for all EU Council web pages.

The changes applied include:

- Mobile friendliness: Including the automatic adaption of the layout to the screen size and change the PRADO web pages from full width to fixed width. The "MOBILE" url has been removed & replaced by automatic screen adaption to the browser and screen size
- Use mega-menus as on other Council pages and adapt the navigation bar
- "Search by document country" and "Search by title" as independently accessible gliders
- Links to the lists of accepted travel documents, issued by the Commission, have been added
- Changes in the typography and of the layout
- Improved online help which leads to the respective chapter of the PRADO glossary
- Web accessibility requirements: WCAG 2.0 AA rules are now fulfilled
- Minor improvements in the regeneration tasks.

Slightly adapted Expert FADO and *iFADO* layout.

I. *Operating FADO*

- Replacement of Expert FADO crypto boxes in MS+ PoPs - planning:

New call for interest finalised	Q3 2015
Call for interest - evaluation of results ongoing	Q4 2015 - Q1 2016
Contract signature with the succeeding company	Q2 2016
Deployment of new crypto devices	Q4 2016 - Q1 2017

- Croatia-connection to Expert FADO   -   state of play:
  - Internet lines and Crypto boxes are functional – from a technical point of view, the Croatian Point of Presence is connected and active since several weeks.
  - Certificates and passwords have been provided to Croatia by the GSC.
  - Now the GSC is awaiting a signed SoC to be submitted by the Croatian National Security Authority to the GSC Security Accreditation Authority - then the user accounts can be activated.
  - User trainings are planned to be provided by the GSC in 2016.

- New GSC datacentre – migration of the central FADO infrastructure
  - Setup of the new RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED datacentre in the Justus Lipsius building

  Migration of all RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED systems in the GSC to the new datacentre
    - including FADO
  - Replacement of the GSC internal FADOLAN by the GSC ROLAN (RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED).

- Maintenance Release (MR) 17:

  Improvements and bug-fixes in Expert FADO (including DocLab) , iFADO and PRADO are deployed in production on 4 December 2015.

- Maintenance Release (MR) 18:
  - Upgrade of the FADO hardware and software infrastructure
  - 2 new physical servers for the production environment
  - 3 new Virtual Machines for the production environment
  - 5 new Virtual Machines for the test environment
  - Move from Windows Servers to Linux Red Hat Enterprise servers
  - Upgrade of the Oracle application server and RDMS to the latest stable versions
  - A new webmail application (ZCS) will be available for all Expert FADO users
  - Upgrade of the FADO application to the new software infrastructure
  - Security inspection of the new infrastructure necessary.

  Why ?
  - The currently used physical servers in the production environment are no longer supported
  - End of the extended support of Windows 2003 server
  - End of the extended support of Oracle RDBMS 11.1.07
  - End of the premier support of Oracle application server 10.1.3

  For technical and organisational reasons - part of the infrastructure is not only used for FADO - deployment in production of MR 18 has been postponed to June 2016.

- Maintenance Release (MR) 18.1 (application related) - project scope:
  - Adapt the classic FADO introduction functionality to conform with the new DocLab functionalities (both user interfaces will be kept in parallel)
  - Configurable system paths
  - Resolve problems with the advanced search, and cosmetic problems with the DocLab, when using Internet Explorer 11
  - Technical improvements, like the removal of Hazelcast
  - Upgrade GWT (Google Web Toolkit) to version 2.7
  - Enable the export of images showing the Outside back cover and the "Cover (generic information about the cover)" to iFADO and to PRADO documents
  - Alerts for all new comments on the discussion board
  - Unique URL addresses for documents in iFADO and PRADO for the lifecycle of a document
  - Improve the full text search in particular in the English language
  - Remove title texts from the full text search results
  - Align the font style in Expert FADO
  - Change the mechanism for downloading the document package from the DocLab
  - Improve the export pre-selection for third countries' documents to be included in PRADO
  - Fix of bugs: e.g. the UV feature header is currently sometimes displayed in PRADO, although no other information is displayed; other fixes of small bugs
  - Include a new email system into Expert FADO
  - Improve the client certificate verification mechanism.

  As part of the application software updates are dependent on MR18, also the deployment in production of MR 18.1 is postponed to June 2016.

- Maintenance Release (MR) 19 - project scope:
  - Create a tool to fill up the FADO test database with representative data
  - Create new iFADO and PRADO search pages by document type
  - Include Closed lists phrases in the Full text search
  - Changes in the rules for exporting to iFADO and PRADO
  - Include all documents of a country in the "Quick Access" section of originators
  - Remove creation of "ALL" 3rd countries in iFADO and PRADO
  - Additional improvements for Expert FADO, iFADO and PRADO
  - Draft documents in iFADO and PRADO will be replaced only when deleted or newer version is exported.

  Deployment in production of MR 19 is currently planned for June 2016.

J. *Statements of Compliance*

According to the Council's security rules for systems with information up to RESTREINT UE / EU RESTRICTED, accreditation & re-accreditation of the system including all PoPs is obligatory every 3 years at the latest.

The Statement of Compliance form is to be filled in & signed by the responsible National Security Accreditation Authority (NSA) and the original sent back to the GSC accreditation authority.

SoCs of 4 FADO partners are outdated. These 4 FADO partners urgently need to take action now to avoid the risk of being disconnected: **GRC, IRL, ISL, ITA.**

2 other countries (**BGR, LUX**) will have an outdated SoC **before the end of this year**, they should start to launch the process of renewing their SoC. Please contact your responsible national security authority.

N° ²	Partner	SoC		N°	Partner	SoC	
		Status	Dated			Status	Dated
1	Austria	Up to date	28.03.2014	16	Latvia	Up to date	05.01.2015
2	Belgium	Outdated	17.10.2014	17	Lithuania	Up to date	30.12.2014
3	Bulgaria	Up to date	06.12.2012	18	Luxembourg	Up to date	17.12.2012
4	Czech Republic	Up to date	14.01.2013	19	Malta	Up to date	20.08.2015
5	Cyprus	Up to date	12.06.2014	20	Netherlands	Up to date	02.08.2013
6	Denmark	Up to date	04.02.2014	21	Norway	Up to date	17.03.2014
7	Estonia	Up to date	09.05.2013	22	Poland	Up to date	20.12.2013
8	Finland	Up to date	04.07.2013	23	Portugal	Outdated	04.03.2015
9	France	Up to date	11.06.2015	24	Romania	Up to date	26.06.2013
10	Germany	Up to date	01.07.2015	25	Slovakia	Up to date	28.05.2013
11	Greece	Outdated	12.07.2012	26	Slovenia	Up to date	10.01.2013
12	Hungary	Up to date	10.12.2014	27	Spain	Up to date	08.04.2014
13	Ireland	Outdated	24.10.2012	28	Sweden	Up to date	22.09.2014
14	Island	Outdated	15.11.2012	29	Switzerland	Up to date	07.08.2013
15	Italy	Outdated	31.05.2012	30	United Kingdom	Up to date	22.01.2015

K.   Expert FADO and iFADO document statistics

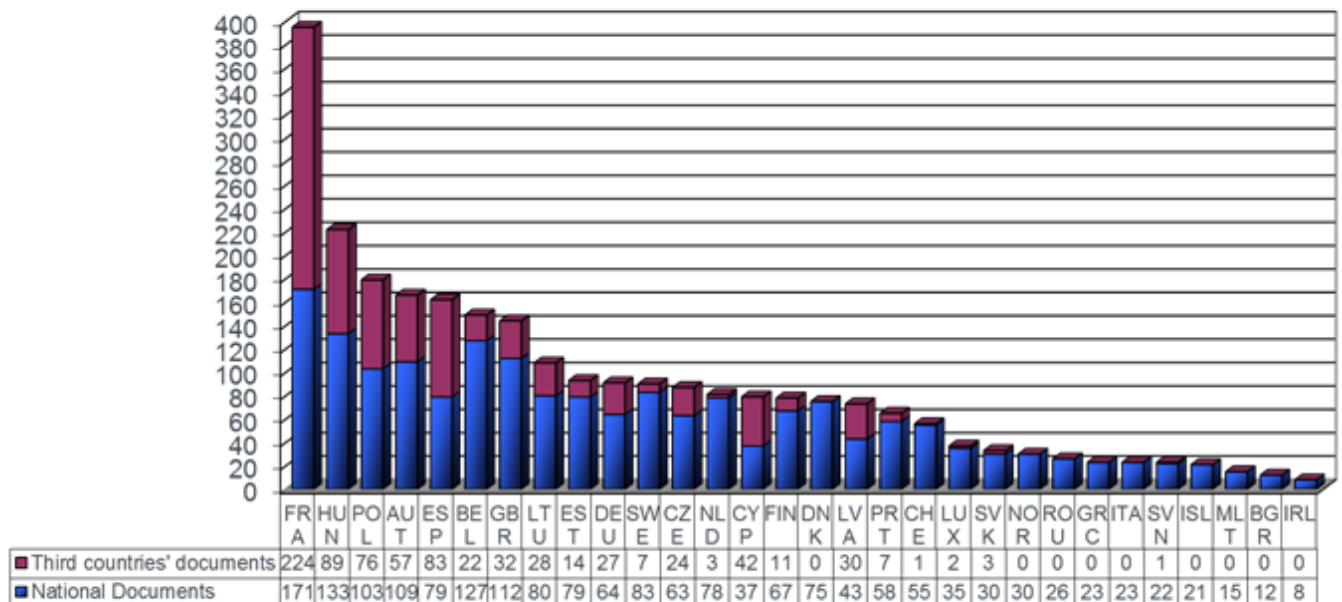**Documents finalised Dec. 2014 - Nov. 2015** *(without national alerts)***:**

AUT	**58**	**LVA**	**18**	**LTU**	**3**
HUN	**36**	**POL**	**18**	**SVN**	**3**
ESP	**19**	**DEU**	**17**	**FRA**	**2**
		SVK	**11**	**GRC**	**2**
		CZE	**8**	**LUX**	**2**
		NOR	**7**	**FIN**	**1**
		CYP	**6**	**NLD**	**1**

Overall overview *(without national alerts)*:

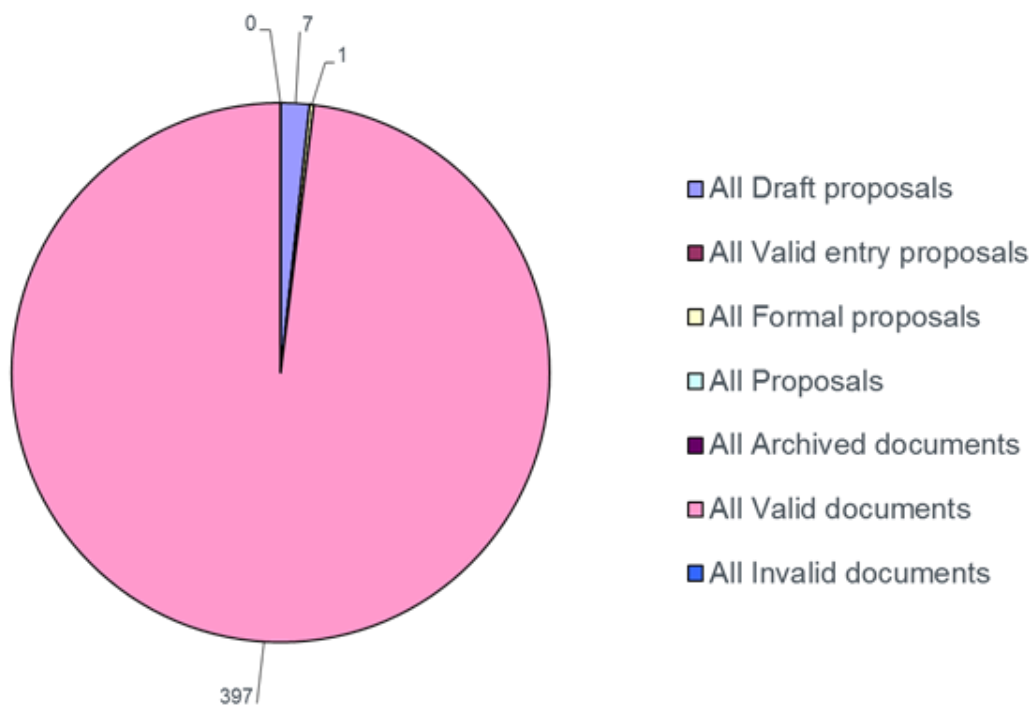|	Approved authentic & false documents (accepted by the Drafting Committee)	Authentic documents visible to all users	False alerts (documents) visible to all users	Authentic and false visible to all users
❖ 12/2004:	0	2	0	2
❖ 12/2005:	30	190	0	190
❖ 12/2006:	328	408	0	408
❖ 12/2007:	472	501	34	535
❖ 12/2008:	674	668	70	738
❖ 05/2009:	767	815	77	892
❖ 12/2009:	1058	1039	97	1136
❖ 05/2010:	1154	1098	113	1211
❖ 12/2010:	1244	1179	125	1304
❖ 05/2011:	1405	1340	157	1497
❖ 12/2011:	1597	1495	194	1689
❖ 05/2012:	1751	1601	226	1827
❖ 11/2012:	1974	1786	260	2046
❖ 02/2013:	2087	1869	294	2163
❖ 12/2013:	2290	2012	349	2361
❖ 11/2014:	2489	2128	393	2521
❖ 06/2015:	2534	2172	394	2566
❖ 11/2015:	2644	2294	398	2692

> **Expert FADO statistics** - Again a growing number of document descriptions: Now already more than **2800** document descriptions are in the database, more than **2690** of them are visible to all Expert FADO and *iFADO* users.

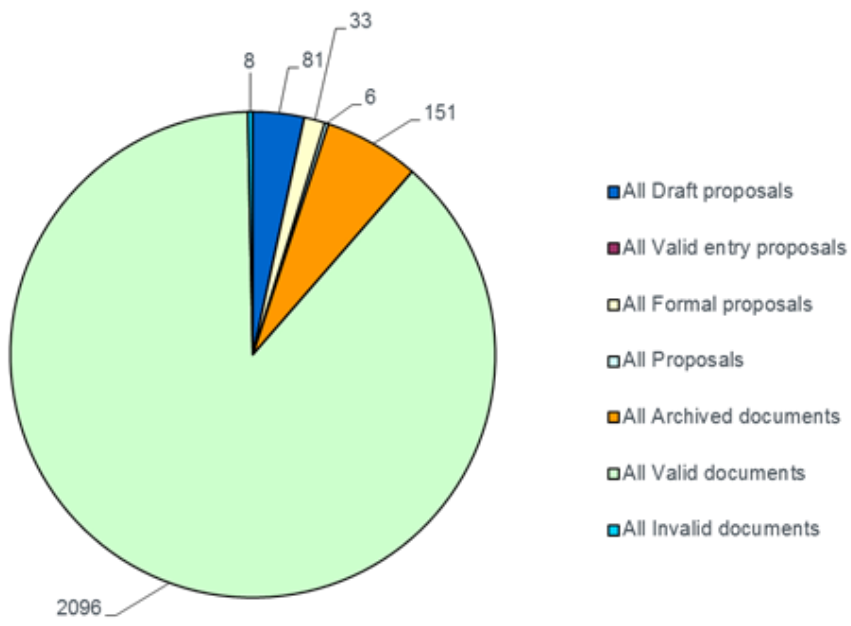## FADO - approved valid documents (including third countries' documents) status: 20.11.2015

	FRA	HUN	POL	AUT	ESP	BEL	GBR	LTU	EST	DEU	SWE	CZE	NLD	CYP	FIN	DNK	LVA	PRT	CHE	LUX	SVK	NOR	ROU	GRC	ITA	SVN	ISL	MLT	BGR	IRL
Third countries' documents	224	89	76	57	83	22	32	28	14	27	7	24	3	42	11	0	30	7	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
National Documents	171	133	103	109	79	127	112	80	79	64	83	63	78	37	67	75	43	58	55	35	30	30	26	23	23	22	21	15	12	8

Details - Expert FADO & *iFADO* document statistics:

FADO - false documents (including third countries' documents) status: 20.11.2015

0   7   1

All Draft proposals

All Valid entry proposals

All Formal proposals

All Proposals

All Archived documents

All Valid documents

All Invalid documents

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FADO - authentic documents (including third countries' documents) status: 20.11.2015

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8   81   6   151

All Draft proposals

All Valid entry proposals

All Formal proposals

All Proposals

All Archived documents

All Valid documents

All Invalid documents

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Not included in the above tables: national PDF alert distribution in *iFADO:*

State of play:

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04.12.2014:	**1251 PDFs**
24.11.2015:	**1744 PDFs**

L. iFADO usage statistics

Page views and visits per month are steadily growing. Mirroring *iFADO* in governmental Intranets guarantees a faster and easier connection.

iFADO Central Proxy: Direct access to the GSC site **https://www.ifado.consilium.europa.eu/**

iFADO National Proxies: Partners which make most use of iFADO as a rule use access via one or several local copies (national reversed proxies) to the iFADO site; e.g. France and the UK connect many thousand civil servants to iFADO by mirroring it in different national governmental Intranet networks.

iFADO central proxy - usage statistics - status: 23.11.2015
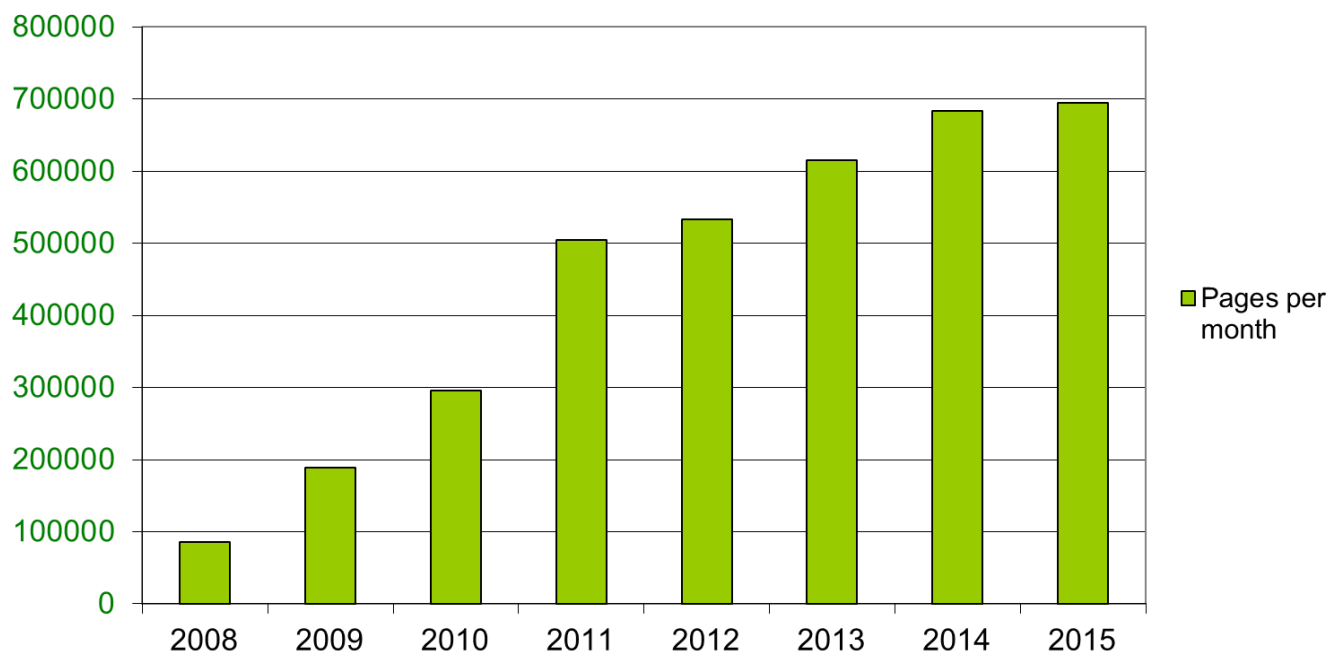
iFADO national proxies - usage statistics - status: 23.11.2015
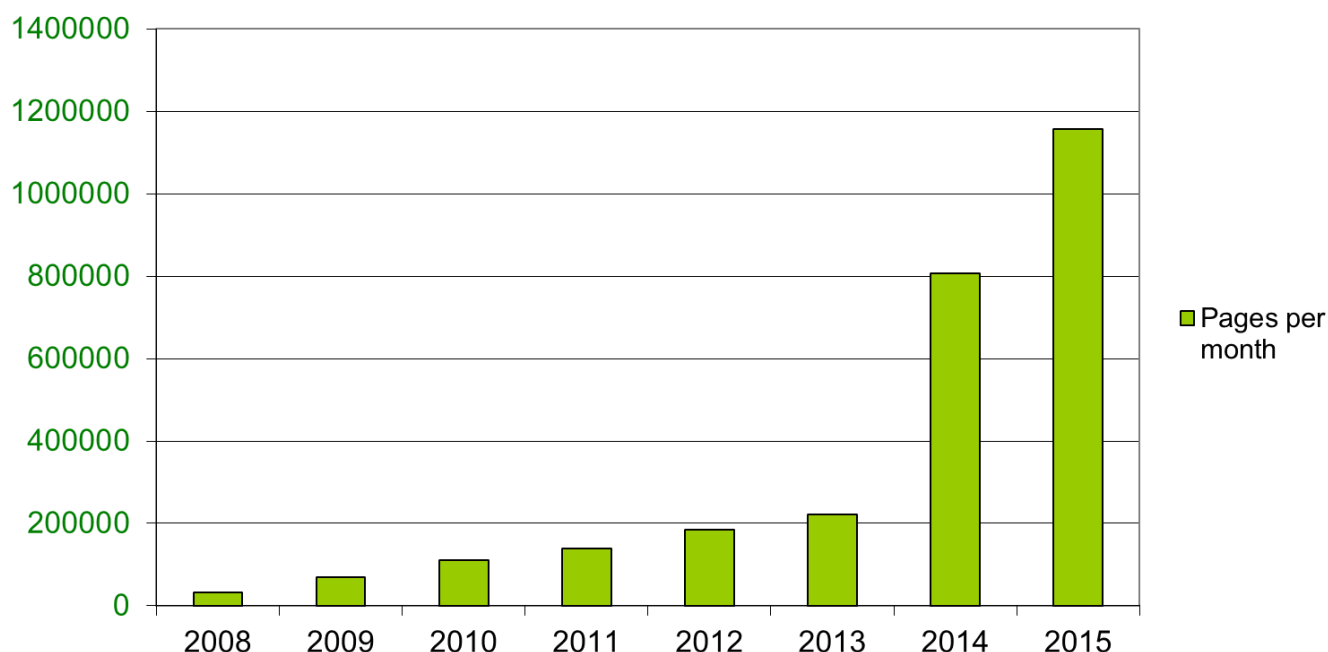
The above chart only displays the (usually automated) page views per month of the national proxies on the central GSC site which are needed to download the info; we do not have general overall information on the actual use of iFADO pages that are mirrored in national Intranets.
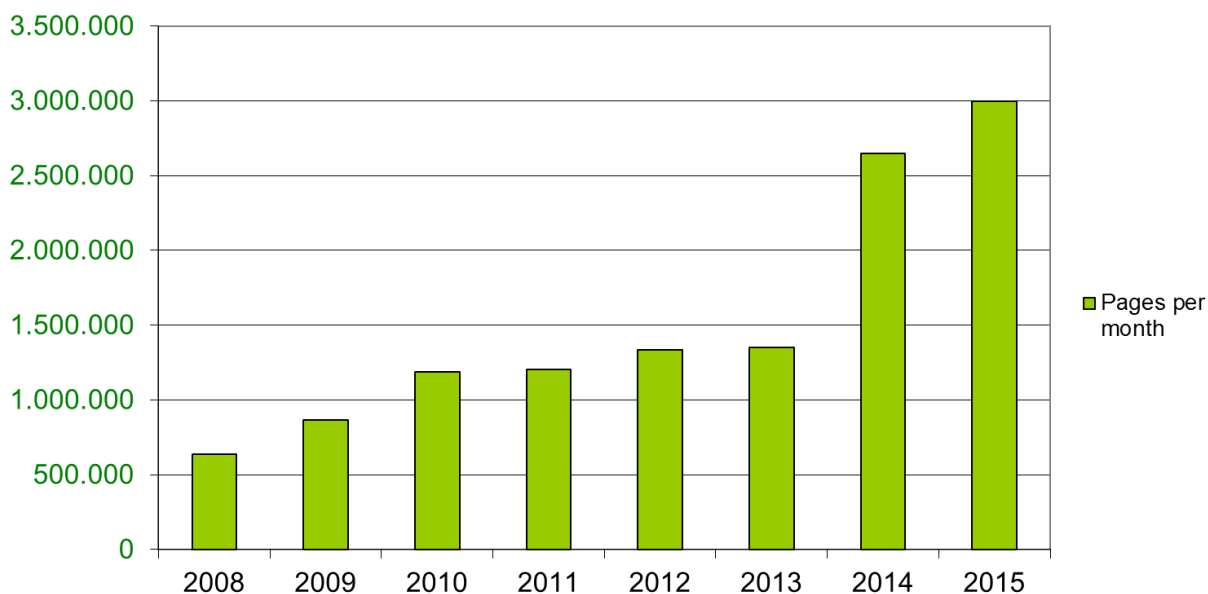
M. PRADO usage statistics

The PRADO statistics on page views and visits per month again show a significant increase in usage, in particular in the first half of 2015.

In the first half of 2015 PRADO had nearly as many page views as the other Council and the European Council pages together, and more individual visitors than both of these two pages together - this shows the need for this public information.

Thank you and your colleagues who enter and share the information and make this success possible.
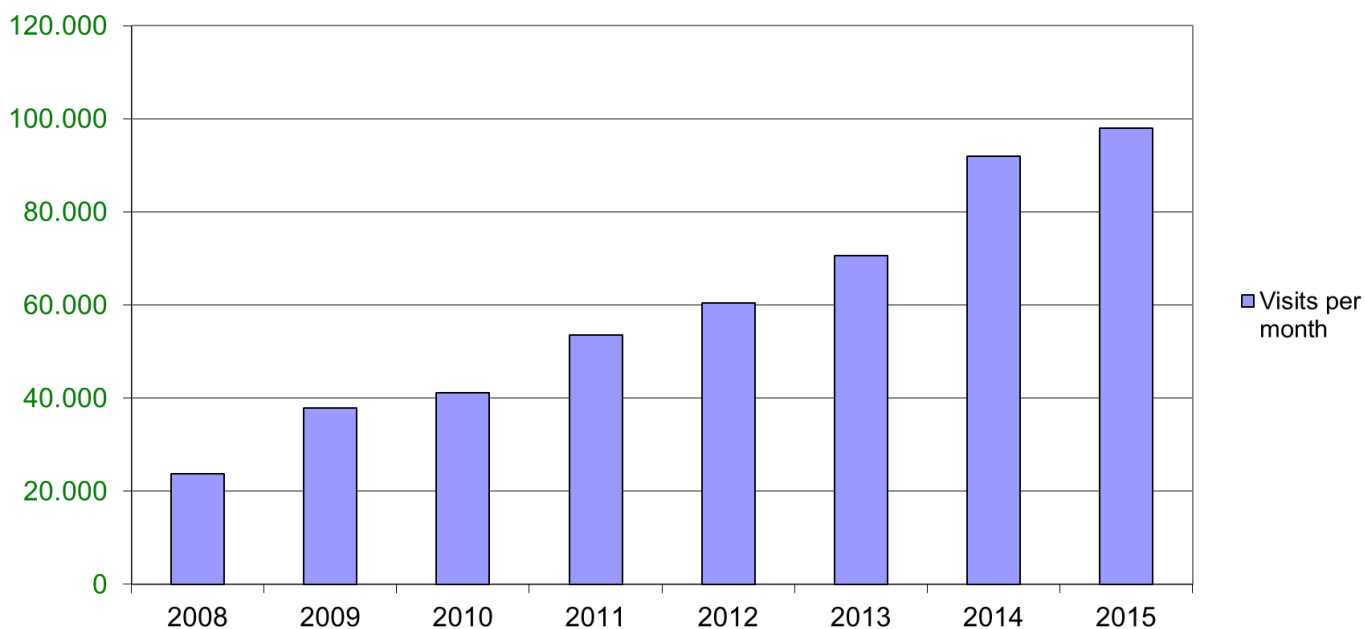
The monthly page views of PRADO have tripled since 2013:

PRADO - usage statistics - status: 23.11.2015

The number of visitors per month has in the same time increased by about 54 percent:

PRADO - Usage statistics (23.11.2015)

* PRADO visits per month: Visitors surfing from behind proxies, e.g. visiting PRADO from any GSC PC (coming from the same range of IP addresses), are only counted as one visitor.