

## **General Matters**

*SEC-21-GM-2016-2017: Pan European Networks of practitioners and other actors in the field of security*





## **Pan-European networks of practitioners**

To free security practitioners from operational work to focus on forward-looking problem-solving by:

- exchanging views across borders,
- analysing the gaps in the tools they need to operate, and
- prioritising future R&D efforts





## Categories of Networks

- a. Practitioners from **the same discipline** and from across Europe
- b. Practitioners **from different disciplines** and concerned with current or future security or disaster risk and crisis management issues **in a particular geographical area**
- ~~c. Entities from around Europe that manage **demonstration and testing sites, training facilities** for practitioners~~
- d. **In addition, support will be given in 2017 to a consortium of formally nominated NCPs in the area of security research.**



## a. Practitioners in the same discipline and from across Europe

- 1. monitor research and innovation projects;*
- 2. express common requirements for innovation;*
- 3. indicate priorities as regards standardization.*

*some examples: **firefighters**; **police** and intelligence bodies; border guards, coast guards, and custom authorities; explosive specialists; forensic laboratories; medical emergency teams; think-tanks on security; etc.*





## **b. Practitioners from different disciplines addressing security issues in a particular geographical area**

- 1. monitor research and innovation projects;*
- 2. express common requirements for innovation;*
- 3. indicate priorities as regards standardization.*

### Selected geographical areas:

- The Mediterranean region (including the Black Sea):
- The Arctic and North Atlantic region
- ~~The Danube river basin~~
- The Baltic region





## Expected Impact

- *Common understanding of innovation potential*
- *Expression of common innovation and standardization needs among practitioners in the same discipline*
- *Coordinated uptake of innovative solutions among practitioners from different disciplines who are called to act together to face major crisis.*
- *Optimized use of investments in demonstration, testing, and training facilities for security practitioners*

