Annex A

Activity Overview

"Border Security and Management Seminar"
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Background Though the intensity of migrant flows that have significantly affected Europe during the past several years has diminished, the challenges to the law enforcement and migration authorities caused by the developing dynamics of migration are becoming increasingly diversified. Exploited by national and transnational organized crime groups these challenges have thus additionally worsened. The countries along the migrants' routes have responded by adopting additional measures within their national security structures, as well as increased international cooperation and complementary actions in dealing with illegal migrations, violent extremism and terrorism. Thus, border security and management authorities are under increased pressure while controlling and balancing the migration stream through the affected countries.

The Seminar will focus on strengthening the capacity-building in the context of Border Security and Management in South-Eastern Europe, while the topics will cover a wide array of expertise in the field of national and international policies and mechanisms in cross-border movement and migration management (risks assessment and management, return and readmission of migrants, migrant interviews and the role of the military in border management).

Purpose and Objectives The purpose of this event is to continue addressing the challenges in border security and management, to identify current and future challenges and to support the implementation of the Border Security and Management Concept of the OSCE Participating States in South East Europe as well as the DCAF Integrative Internal Security Governance Concept and its Western Balkan Border Security Initiative. The aim is to improve efficiency of the border management authorities in SEE and foster mutual cooperation in mitigating current and potential security threats.

Participation Approximately 30 representatives - police officers and civilian officials responsible for border security and migration from the ministries of interior/security, ministries of finance, representatives of the customs, drug control, border guard/border police national services and other relevant ministries from the SEE region.

Methodology The event is designed as a Seminar and it will be conducted as a series of individual presentations, exchange of experiences and expert consultations. The Seminar working language is English.

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