The time for action has come. In the area of security, as in many other areas in Europe, fragmentation is what makes us vulnerable. Europe needs a genuine Security Union.

Jean-Claude Juncker, European Parliament, 12 April 2016
The only way to counter terrorism, organised crime, and cybercrime is to pool our resources and intelligence and to work together.

There is no freedom without security, and there is no effective security without effective cooperation and information exchange.
PREVENTING RADICALISATION

Extremist propaganda and hate speech

EU INTERNET REFERRAL UNIT AT EUROPOL

>12,000 referrals
94% led to content being removed
44 operational cases supported by Internet investigative support

IT COMPANIES AND THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Code of conduct
Signed to combat the spread of illegal hate speech online in Europe

EU INTERNET FORUM

EU Interior Ministers, Internet companies, Europol, and the EU Counter Terrorism Coordinator working together

Joint Referral Platform
To improve speed and effectiveness

Prevention, education and rehabilitation

RADICALISATION AWARENESS NETWORK CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

→ hub for connecting, developing and disseminating expertise
→ over 2,400 frontline practitioners
→ €25 million additional funding for the next 4 years

PRISONS

→ €8 million for rehabilitation and deradicalisation programmes, risk assessment tools and training of professionals

EDUCATION AND YOUTH OUTREACH

→ Erasmus+ programmes fostering inclusion and promoting fundamental values
→ €400 million for new policies and projects
→ an additional €13 million for grassroots initiatives
STRENGTHENING THE MANAGEMENT OF OUR BORDERS

EUROPEAN BORDER AND COAST GUARD

New reinforced Agency

With support from national authorities

SCHENGEN BORDERS CODE

Introducing mandatory checks at the external borders

On all persons, including EU citizens

BETTER USE OF IT SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGIES

→ SCHENGEN INFORMATION SYSTEM:
  Sharing of information on wanted or missing persons and objects

  75,000 alerts
  300% increase compared to June 2013

  3 billion searches
  50% increase compared to 2014

→ EURODAC: database for asylum applications

→ VISA INFORMATION SYSTEM: managing visa applications

→ EU ENTRY-EXIT SYSTEM: speeding-up, facilitating and reinforcing border check procedures for non-EU nationals travelling to the EU (implemented by 2020)

→ EUROPEAN TRAVEL INFORMATION AND AUTHORIZATIONS SYSTEM: pre-travel assessment for EU visa-exempt travellers
IMPROVING INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND OPERATIONAL COOPERATION

REINFORCING EUROPOL: EUROPEAN COUNTER TERRORISM CENTRE
- launched on 1 January 2016 to facilitate coordination and cooperation between national authorities
- future law enforcement intelligence hub

EUROPEAN CRIMINAL RECORDS INFORMATION SYSTEM
- created in 2012: electronic interconnection of criminal records databases
- being extended to third country nationals
- over 100,000 messages exchanged between national authorities each month

PASSENGER NAME RECORD DIRECTIVE
- adopted on 21 April 2016: regulates the transmission of passenger data by air carriers to Member States
- contains robust safeguards for privacy, data protection and the respect of fundamental rights
- data may only be processed for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences and serious crime

COMMON RISK INDICATORS
- concerns foreign terrorist fighters
- supports the work of national border authorities when conducting checks
- helps prevent criminals escaping detection by travelling through another Member State

PRÜM FRAMEWORK
- DNA analysis files
- fingerprint identification systems
- vehicle registration data
CUTTING THE ACCESS OF TERRORISTS TO FINANCING

- Directive criminalizing the financing of terrorist attacks and related activities
- FIU.net – decentralised computer network of the Member States’ Financial Intelligence Units
- Action Plan to:
  - Prevent the movement of funds and identify terrorist funding
  - Disrupt sources of revenue for terrorist organisations
- List of third countries with deficiencies in their regimes on anti-money laundering and countering terrorist financing
- EU legislation against illicit cash movements
- Mutual recognition of criminal asset freezing and confiscation orders, and a proposal on combatting fraud and counterfeiting on non-cash means of payment
PROTECTING EUROPEANS AGAINST FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES

- **Deactivated firearms are rendered irreversibly inoperable.**
- **Making it more difficult to acquire firearms in the European Union.**
- **Better tracking of legally held firearms.**
- **Limiting terrorists’ access to explosive precursors and detonators.**
- **Restricting access to illegal firearms and explosives.**

**Strengthening cooperation** between Member States
PROMOTING THE SECURITY RESEARCH AND INNOVATION DIMENSION

"The history of international security is also the history of technological innovation"

2016 World Economic Forum Global Risks Report

HORIZON 2020 SECURE SOCIETIES RESEARCH AND INNOVATION PROGRAMME

The European Commission supports the EU security industry through:

- Harmonisation of standards and certification procedures for security technologies - first targeting airport screening equipment and alarm systems
- New funding schemes - to reduce the gap between research and market
- Better exploitation of synergies - between civilian and defence research

€200 million in the past year to over 30 research projects that will offer innovative security solutions
Security and counter-terrorism experts deployed in EU Delegations
Algeria, Iraq, Jordan, Morocco, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia and Turkey.
The network will be expanded in the second half of 2016:
Lebanon and Pakistan Delegations - with bilateral mandates
Chad and Bosnia-Herzegovina Delegations - with regional mandates for the Sahel and the Western Balkans
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Next steps

Preventing Radicalisation
Radicalisation Awareness Network
High Level Conference
December 2016: EU Internet Forum meeting
Directive on combating terrorism
24/7 referral service and real-time access to referral information for Member States’ investigators

strengthening the Management of Our Borders
European Travel Information and Authorisation System
Action Plan on document security
Adoption of the Entry/Exit system
Revise the Schengen Information System to improve its added value for law enforcement purposes
Automated fingerprint search functionality added to the Schengen Information System

Improving Information Exchange and Operational Cooperation
EU Passenger Name Record Directive implementation plan
European Parliament and Council agreement to extend the European Criminal Records Information System to third country nationals
From Spring 2017, the Europol Regulation will apply, making Europol a hub for information exchange between law enforcement authorities in the EU
Address the problems of obtaining digital evidence in relation to criminal investigations

Cutting the Access of Terrorists to Financing
Harmonising money laundering criminal offences and sanctions
Proposal against illicit cash movement
Mutual recognition of criminal assets’ freezing and confiscation orders
Directive on combating fraud and counterfeiting of non-cash payments
Reinforcing customs’ powers and cooperation and addressing terrorism financing related to trade in goods
Report on a supranational assessment of money laundering and terrorism financing risks
Proposal against illicit trade in cultural goods