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Preface

This monograph is the last and final part of the project 'European Investigation Order – legal analysis and practical dilemmas of international cooperation – EIO-LAPD' within the framework of the EU Justice Programme. It presents a contribution to the Europe-wide discourse on how to enhance the effectiveness and the practical implementation of the EIO. Its objective is to equip target groups with specialised knowledge about the cross-border evidence gathering procedure described in the Directive 2014/41/EU. Unlike other parts of the project, this monograph is targeted at the legal community, students of law, NGOs and the interested public. Its goal is to achieve a greater inclusion of dilemmas connected with the practical application of the Directive into the legal and public discourse.

The partners of the project were chosen according to the following criteria: (a) only institutions where the members of the applicant's department for criminal law personally know and vouch for at least one person to participate in the project were considered; (b) institutions which previously successfully cooperated with the applicant or members of its department for criminal law in EU funded projects were given priority; (c) institutions which do not have sufficiently experienced personnel or connections with the relevant State institutions to perform the project activities were not considered.

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List of Abbreviations

AICCM Act on International Cooperation in Criminal Matters

AJCEU Act on Judicial Cooperation in Criminal Matters with Member States

of the European Union

AO Abgabenordnung (Fiscal Code of Germany)
ARHG Auslieferungs- und Rechtshilfegesetz

Art. Article
Arts. Articles
Assoc. Associate

AVIDICUS Assessment of Video-Mediated Interpreting in the Criminal Justice

System

BGBl. Bundesgesetzblatt

BlgNR Beilage(-n) zu stenographischen Protokollen des Nationalrates

BT-Drs. Bundestagsdrucksache

BVerfG Bundesverfassungsgericht (German Federal Constitutional Court)

Cass. Pen. Cassazione penale

CCMMSEUA Act Amending the Cooperation in Criminal Matters with the Member

States of the European Union

CFR Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU

CISA Convention Implementing the Schengen Agreement

CJEU Court of Justice of the European Union

Corte cost. Italian Constitutional Court

CPA Croatian Code of Criminal Procedure/Slovenian Code of Criminal

Procedure

CPP Codice di procedura penale (Italian Code of Criminal Procedure)/Có-

digo de Processo Penal (Portuguese Code of Criminal Procedure)

Dir. Pen. Cont. online Diritto penale contemporaneo online

Dir. Pen. Proc. Diritto penale e processo
Dir. Un. Eur. Il diritto dell'Unione Europea

Doc. Document

DRB Deutscher Richterbund EAW European Arrest Warrant

ECHR European Convention on Human Rights

ECJ European Court of Justice

e-CODEX e-Justice Communication via Online Data Exchange

ECtHR European Court of Human Rights

EEA-VStS-G Federal Act on the European Investigation Order in Administrative

Criminal Matters (Austria)

eEDES e-Evidence Digital Exchange System

EEW European Evidence Warrant EIO European Investigation Order EIO Directive Directive 2014/41/EU regarding the European Investigation Order in

Criminal Matters

EIO-LAPD European Investigation Order – Legal Analysis and Practical Dilem-

mas of International Cooperation

EJN European Judicial Network

EU European Union

eucrim European Criminal Law Associations' Forum (Journal)

EU-FinStrZG Federal Law on Cooperation in Financial Criminal Matters with the

Member States of the European Union (Austria)

EU-JZG Federal Act on Judicial Cooperation in Criminal Matters with the

Member States of the European Union (Austria)

European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation

EVIDENCE2e-CODEX Linking EVIDENCE into e-CODEX for EIO and MLA procedures in

Europe

EXEC Electronic Xchange of e-Evidences

FD Framework Decision

FinStrZG Federal Act on Financial Criminal Cooperation with the Member

States of the European Union

GIP Giudice per le Indagini Preliminari (Italian Judge for preliminary in-

vestigations)

GP Gesetzgebungsperiode (Austria)
GSC General Secretariat of the Council

IP Internet Protocol

IRG Gesetz über die international Rechtshilfe in Strafsachen (German Act

on International Cooperation in Criminal Matters)

IT Information Technology

Italian Decree Italian Legislative Decree no. 108 of 21 June 2017

JHA Justice and Home Affairs

JI Justiz und Inneres (Justice and Home Affairs)

MLA Mutual Legal Assistance
mn. marginal number(s)
MS Member State

n. footnote

Nice Charter Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union (7 Dec. 2000)

OJ Official Journal of the European Union

OJ C C-Series of Official Journal of the European Union
OJ L L-Series of Official Journal of the European Union

OWiG Ordnungswidrigkeitengesetz (German Administrative Offences Act)

PGR Procuradoria-Geral de República (Portugal)
RB Rahmenbeschluss (Framework Decision)

Report on legal imple- Slovenian Report on legal implementation and practical application

of the EIO

RiVASt Richtlinien für den Verkehr mit dem Ausland in strafrechtlichen An-

gelegenheiten (Germany)

RL EEA Richtlinie Europäische Ermittlungsanordnung

RV Regierungsvorlage

Sec. Section

mentation

SMMP Sindicato dos Magistrados do Ministério Público (Portugal)

SPSA State Prosecution Service Act StAG Staatsanwaltschaftsgesetz

StPO Strafprozessordnung (Code of Criminal Procedure)

TEU Treaty on the European Union

TFEU Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TREIO TRaining on European Investigation Order

WKStA Wirtschafts- und Korruptionsstaatsanwaltschaft (Public Prosecutor's

Office for Combatting Economic Crime and Corruption) (Austria)

ZfiStW Zeitschrift für Internationale Strafrechtswissenschaft (Journal)
ZIS Zeitschrift für Internationale Strafrechtsdogmatik (Journal; since

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