CCTV Privacy Statement

The Europol premises shall be kept under constant electronic surveillance and all necessary physical protections measures shall be taken to prevent unauthorised access to the Europol premises, and in in particular to its IT infrastructure and sensitive data. The Security Coordinator may authorize, in all occasion when considered necessary, the installation of video cameras and other surveillance equipment in the premises. The controller of this processing operation is the Europol Security Unit.

CCTV footage allows the Security Unit to select, control and view all cameras and reconstruct situations in order to obtain relevant information regarding possible threats or incidents related to safety and security. The recorded material can be used for further analysis, investigations or evaluations, especially in the framework of Administrative Inquiries. In these cases, the recipients of the data are Europol’s Security Department Management, uniformed security guards, security engineers as well as other authorized Europol staff in the framework of Administrative Inquiries.

The images of cameras are recorded continuously and stored for at least 7 days. After a maximum period of 14 days, the images are automatically deleted from the system. Recordings of cameras placed in the parking of the WFCC are retained for maximum 72 hours only. After this period, the images are automatically deleted from the system.

CCTV recordings which were extracted for further analysis, investigations or evaluations, are tracked in a register and are deleted as soon as it is established that the data is not relevant and no later than 4 weeks except when the data is necessary or legally required on important public interest grounds, or for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims.

CCTV footage is processed in accordance with article 32 and article 67 of Regulation (EU) 2016/794 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 (the Europol Regulation), and Article 5(b) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data.

Europol Data Protection Function is the initial point of contact for all data protection related matters (dpf@europol.europa.eu). You also have the right of recourse at any time to the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS@edps.europa.eu).