With the increase in the number of cases and investigations, the volume of operational personal data processed by the EPPO rose significantly in the course of 2023. The same applies, as regards the volume of administrative personal data processed, stemming from the expansion of the EPPO staff.

Following from the 2022 operational visit by the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS), in April 2023, the EDPS conducted its first audit of the EPPO, which focused on the dedicated processing environment for analysis of operational personal data for case analysts. The audit also focused on the implementation of data subject access requests to operational personal data.

In October, the EPPO welcomed the EDPS to its office in Lisbon, providing an overview of the daily work of a European Delegated Prosecutor, including the practical aspects of running investigations and prosecutions. In the context of the integration of the EPPO into the national environment from a data protection perspective, a few of the EPPO’s decentralised offices also welcomed visits from the EPPO’s Data Protection Officer.

During 2023, the EPPO received no access requests or requests to exercise other data subject rights, neither in relation to operational nor administrative personal data.