



**ACTIVITY OF THE
PERMANENT
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The Permanent Chambers monitor and direct the investigations and prosecutions conducted by the European Delegated Prosecutors, ensure the coordination of investigations and prosecutions in cross-border cases and, by implementing the decisions adopted by the College, ensure coherence, efficiency, and consistency in the EPPO's prosecution policy throughout the participating Member States.

Cases are allocated randomly to the Permanent Chambers immediately after registration. Each of the 15 Permanent Chambers consists of a chairperson and two other European Prosecutors, who are its permanent members.

Additionally, the European Prosecutor supervising an investigation or prosecution in an individual case takes part in the deliberations and decision-making of the Permanent Chamber in that individual case.

Each Permanent Chamber relies on legal and administrative support, so as to ensure proper and thorough monitoring of each of the investigations.

In 2023, the Permanent Chambers held 481 meetings.

NUMBER AND TYPE OF PERMANENT CHAMBERS' DECISIONS

REGISTRATION AND VERIFICATION

Decisions instructing the EDP to exercise the EPPO's competence	Evocation cases	14
	Initiation cases	37
Decisions to reopen an investigation		1

INVESTIGATIONS

Instructions for EDPs		39
Decisions on the review of assisting measures		0
Decisions to merge cases concerning the jurisdiction of more than one Member State		7
Decisions to split cases concerning the jurisdiction of more than one Member State		4
Decisions to reallocate to another EDP	In the same Member State	11
	In another Member State	4
Approved requests for exceptionally costly investigative measures		2

CONCLUSION OF CASES

NUMBER OF TERMINATION DECISIONS

Decisions to prosecute before a national court	135 ⁷⁵	
Decisions to apply a simplified prosecution procedure	51 ⁷⁶	
Decisions to dismiss a case	206 ⁷⁷	
Decisions to refer a case	According to Art. 34(1) ⁷⁸ EPPO Regulation	67 ⁷⁹
	According to Art. 34(2) ⁸⁰ EPPO Regulation	4
	According to Art. 34(3) ⁸¹ EPPO Regulation	89
Number of cases where national authority did not accept the case (Art. 34 (5) EPPO Regulation)	2	

COURT PROCEEDINGS

Decisions to lodge or maintain the appeal	7
Decisions not to lodge an appeal	27
Decisions to withdraw the appeal	4

ORGANISATIONAL MATTERS

Decisions on the request of the EP(s) to conduct the investigation personally	3
Decisions to reallocate to another EDP in the same Member State in case of conflict of interest	2
Number of cases reallocated to another Permanent Chamber	136