



*Visa Information System Supervision Coordination Group
12th meeting on 13 June 2018*

Summary report

The 12th meeting of the Visa Information System Supervision Coordination Group ('VIS SCG') was hosted at the European Parliament on 13 June 2018. The VIS SCG meeting was organised back-to-back with the Schengen Information System SCG and the Eurodac SCG as usual.

The Group, which comprises national Data Protection Authorities ('DPAs') and the European Data Protection Supervisor ('EDPS'), each acting within their own competences, is tasked with ensuring coordinated data protection supervision of the VIS.

The Group invited, as it regularly does, representatives of the Commission and the data protection officer of the European Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice ('eu-LISA'). The data protection officer of eu-LISA updated the group on the overall performance of the VIS and the latest developments related to the quality of data in the system. The representative of the Commission (DG Migration and Home Affairs) then gave a presentation of the Proposal to amend the VIS Regulation tabled by the Commission in May 2018 which includes important changes from a data protection perspective.

The Group finalised and adopted its report on the implementation of Article 41 of the VIS Regulation, which relates to the data protection audit of national systems that DPAs shall carry out at least every four years. The Group also finalised and adopted its analysis of the data protection law applicable to external service providers (ESPs) and recommendations for the use of ESPs.

In addition, the Group adopted a questionnaire to work on another topic of its Work Programme: the training on data protection provided to staff of authorities accessing the VIS.

Finally, the Members of the Group updated their colleagues with information about their national inspections or other relevant developments at national level.

The next meeting of the VIS SCG will be held in Autumn 2018.