

# ECRIS SUPPORT PROGRAMME

## NEWSLETTER

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### Welcome

This is the second edition of the ESP newsletter. The project team intend to release this document monthly with the aim to bring you regular updates on developments and on queries processed by the team.

### Next ESP Conference

So far the ESP team have hosted two conferences (London 17th November, Prague 13th January) with EU Member States, where countries had the opportunity to discuss operational matters and preparation activities for the ECRIS go live.

We are pleased to confirm that the next ESP conference will take place in Copenhagen on 9th March. For more information and registration forms, please email an expression of interest to [support@ecrisic.eu](mailto:support@ecrisic.eu)

### ESP on CIRCABC



The ESP team have made a website available for the project on CIRCABC, which is a follow on site from CIRCA and provides users with an interactive space to share documents and participate in discussions.

In order to access the site, you will need to register to CIRCABC at the following link:

<https://circabc.europa.eu/faces/jsp/extension/wai/navigation/container.jsp>

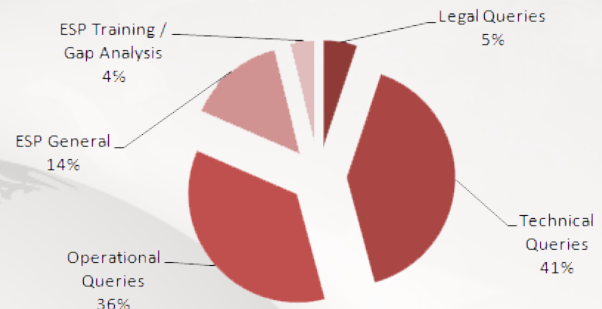
The following guidance documents are available from the Information Centre upon request:

- How to Register
- Information on CIRCABC
- How to Manage Your Country Page

The new website holds information on research project outcomes, roadmap activities (Phase 2 Verification of Conformity in particular), reference documentation on the ESP project, a detailed document library on ECRIS and country-specific information. The website also hosts a discussion forum that registrants can use to ask specific questions to all Member States.

### Information Centre

The Information Centre has so far dealt with 157 queries from all EU Member States. Below is a breakdown of the nature of queries received:



Queries were received on technical questions on the ECRIS RI (for example the decision change type feature, password policy), training on the ECRIS RI (attendance, dates, content), Verification of Conformity Phase 2 (the making available of country specific test cases) and the translation of the national reference tables.

The ESP team are currently compiling a list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), which will be made available on the ESP website.

### Country Visits

The ESP team have now visited 24 Member States. For each visit a questionnaire has been completed and a short report sent to the European Commission. The team aim to complete the visits by March 2012. A detailed analysis phase will then begin.

### New Questionnaire

As the country visits for the foreseen gap analysis began in October 2011, and some of the information contained within the questionnaires may now be out of date, especially in the area of technical preparation, the ESP team will email all Member States at the beginning of March with specific update questions. We would be grateful if you could take the time to respond to these emails in detail.

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