



Public access to Eurojust documents – Number of requests 2017

The number of requests for public access to Eurojust documents increased slightly in 2017, with a total of 18 requests compared to 15 in 2016. In addition, Eurojust received three consultation requests in accordance with Art. 4(4) of Regulation 1049/2001, as a third-party author of the requested document. One confirmatory application was received in 2017.

Of the 18 requests received, 14 concerned **non-case-related documents**.

- In three cases, the requested documents were not held by Eurojust.
- With regard to the remaining 11 requests, access was granted or partially granted (e.g. to a redacted version) to all requested documents.

Eurojust also received four requests for **case-related documents** in 2017.

- In two cases, access was refused on the basis of the exceptions in Article 4(1)(a) on the protection of the public interest as regards fulfilment of Eurojust's tasks in reinforcing the fight against serious crime and as regards national investigations and prosecutions in which Eurojust assists.
- In the other two cases, the requested documents were not held by Eurojust.

In 2017, one confirmatory application was received and access to the requested documents was partially granted after redaction.

Finally, Eurojust continued to update the Public Register of documents. The growing list of documents made directly available to the public via the Public Register is designed to make it easier for citizens to access documents held by Eurojust without the need to make a formal access to documents request, and to further increase transparency and the availability of information about Eurojust's activities.