



INTERPOL SUPPORT TO EL PACCTO

Enhancing interregional police cooperation in fugitive investigations

The rate of organized crime across Latin America is one of the highest in the world and poses an immediate threat to security in the region.

The movement of international fugitives in this region who evade the rule of law and justice strains not only

good governance but also trust in law enforcement and public safety.

Within this context, INTERPOL's Fugitive Investigative Support (FIS) unit has launched a new project fully funded by the European Union: INTERPOL Support to EL PACCTO (Europa-Latinoamérica Programa de asistencia contra el crimen transnacional organizado: por el Estado de Derecho y la Seguridad ciudadana).

► INTERPOL'S ACTIVITIES

The project, based on the INTERPOL INFRA-RED (International Fugitive Round-Up and Arrest) operation model, aims at

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establishing a permanent mechanism to strengthen policing capacity in six Latin American countries: Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Panama and Peru. The purpose is to strengthen three key areas of interregional cooperation in fugitive operations: investigation, cooperation and modernization.

► OPERATIONAL AND SPECIALIZED SUPPORT

FIS provides operational and specialized investigative support to law enforcement officers in Latin America. INTERPOL's capabilities focus on creating and developing a fugitive network dedicated to identifying, prioritizing and targeting high-risk criminals with the support of INTERPOL Red and Blue Notices, and Diffusions.

The unit is developing a mechanism for law enforcement in participating countries to standardize, analyze and exchange data with each other via INTERPOL's I-24/7 secure global police communication system. The aim is to better understand the movement of fugitives, and identify travel facilitators and modus operandi in order to facilitate their location and arrest by national law enforcement.

► TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

Through INTERPOL's global policing capabilities, participating countries will benefit from specialized fugitive investigation techniques on new types of transnational organized crime, including cybercrime.

The INTERPOL Support to EL PACCTO project will improve policing capacity through best-practice training and workshops and expand the use of INTERPOL tools to improve international police cooperation in participating member countries.

► EXPECTED RESULTS

- Long term ability for law enforcement to conduct joint fugitive investigations through increased interregional police cooperation and information exchange between law enforcement officers in the region.
- Arrests and/or positive location of targeted high-risk fugitives in Latin America, hence mitigating the threat posed by organized criminals on the run in the region.
- Enhanced best practice working methods in fugitive investigations in the region.

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