



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
EUROPEAN ANTI-FRAUD OFFICE (OLAF)

The Director-General

*[Ambassador  
of the Member State's  
Permanent Representation to the  
European Union  
- address ]*

Brussels

Subject: **Designation of anti-fraud coordination service - AFCOS**

Dear *Mr./Madam* Ambassador,

I would like to draw your attention to Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No 883/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 September 2013 concerning investigations conducted by the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), which entered into force on 1 October 2013.

Article 3(4) stipulates the designation of an 'anti-fraud coordination service' (AFCOS) by each Member State, to facilitate effective cooperation and exchange of information with OLAF.

The Member States that joined the European Union since 2004 have already designated their AFCOS in the course of their accession negotiations. Other Member States are expected to do so in the coming months, if this has not yet been done, and to inform OLAF.

Enclosed you will find the AFCOS Guidance note, prepared by OLAF. The note gives more information about how AFCOS is expected to work and is intended to support the Member States' national administrations in designating the service.

If you need additional information or explanation I would ask you to address your questions to the OLAF contact person Mr Dušan Sterle ([dusan.sterle@ec.europa.eu](mailto:dusan.sterle@ec.europa.eu)), phone number +32 229 85038.

Sincerely,

Giovanni Kessler

Encl: AFCOS Guidance note

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