

Online consultation with juvenile justice experts

FRA is currently preparing the research. It will collect information through [legal and social research](#). FRA will interview lawyers, police, judges, prosecutors and other juvenile justice professionals, as well as children on their experiences and perspectives in criminal proceedings. Participants of the expert meeting have been working for organisations like International Juvenile Justice Observatory, Defence for Children International, Terre des Hommes and Child Circle. FRA gathered the experts' views and feedback on key considerations, data gaps and priority areas to consider when conducting the fieldwork. FRA experts and the Agency's multidisciplinary research network, FRANET, will collect the data. The findings will complement and build on FRA's comprehensive evidence base relating to the rights of the defence, to a fair trial and the rights of people deprived of their liberty, alongside a wide array of work by FRA related to child-friendly justice.

FRA joins kick-off meeting of Hungarian Roma Programme

FRA introduced its role as partner, based on its experience in other EU Member States under the Grants' Programmes. The meeting also provided an opportunity for the Hungarian authorities, the FMO and FRA to introduce the teams that will work under the Roma Programme. The meeting took place on 13 January.

Immigration implications of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement

The [note](#) includes links pointing to the original legal sources.

Since the UK's withdrawal from the EU as of 1 February 2020, British nationals are now third-country nationals. From 1 January 2021, the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement govern legal relations between the EU and the UK.

Supporting Schengen evaluations

FRA being an observer to on-site missions is part of its broader support to the Schengen Evaluation and Monitoring Mechanism. This also includes an annual analysis for the Commission on the fundamental rights situation in the evaluated Member States in the field of return and external borders, and training future evaluators. This year's [Fundamental Rights Report](#) took stock of the recommendations delivered to Member States in the context of Schengen evaluations. It confirmed the added value of the mechanism in monitoring and supporting fundamental rights compliant application of EU law.

Update from the Executive Director of the EUIPO

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The Executive Director of the EUIPO, Christian Archambeau, has released a new video update on the latest developments at the Office.

Mr. Archambeau gave an update on current filing trends at the EUIPO and reviewed progress on the SME-focused initiatives at the Office, including the recently launched SME Fund as well as an SME portal and a new easy e-filing tool that will be up and running shortly.

Watch the video