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Report on meeting

Animal Rights Extremism conference

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From	04	[REDACTED]	26.11.2010
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Event	Animal Rights Extremism (ARE) conference Amsterdam
Subject	Animal Rights Extremism
Role in event	Participant
Place / Date	[REDACTED] November 2010
Organised by	[REDACTED]
Advisable to attend + why?	Europol is deeply involved in the fight against ARE extremists and must stay informed of any developments both in the public and in the private sectors.
Participants	[REDACTED]
Date of next meeting	Not foreseen yet
Special contacts	Yes
Related documentation	[REDACTED]

Main issues:

Europol had been invited for a long time to this conference, but was not associated to its preparation, nor was it invited to give a presentation.

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The conference was organised on one and a half day, the first afternoon being spent in visits of laboratories or a fur breeding farm; while the second day included a plenary session and 6 workshops.

- The plenary session was an opportunity for the [REDACTED] to present a document which summarises [REDACTED] strategy to tackle Animal Rights Extremism.
- A second presentation related to a study on radicalisation of ARE extremist and comparison with other radicalised extremists was very interesting and brought some relevant comments.
- [REDACTED]
- The Europol representatives attended four of the six workshops (International cooperation, Intelligence sharing, communication and prevention. These generated some interesting discussion between representatives from the private sector, from government and from Law Enforcement.

CONCLUSION:

[REDACTED] still offered us an opportunity to confirm to all partners that Europol CI Units is still deeply involved in the fight against ARE violent extremists and plays a central role in the exchange of information at EU level. To be noted, a number of participants quoted the positive role and impact of the TE-SAT2009 and 2010 in spreading information about such a phenomenon as ARE violent extremism towards the national and EU Institutions.

Special contacts:

