

Towards and Area of Freedom, Security and Justice

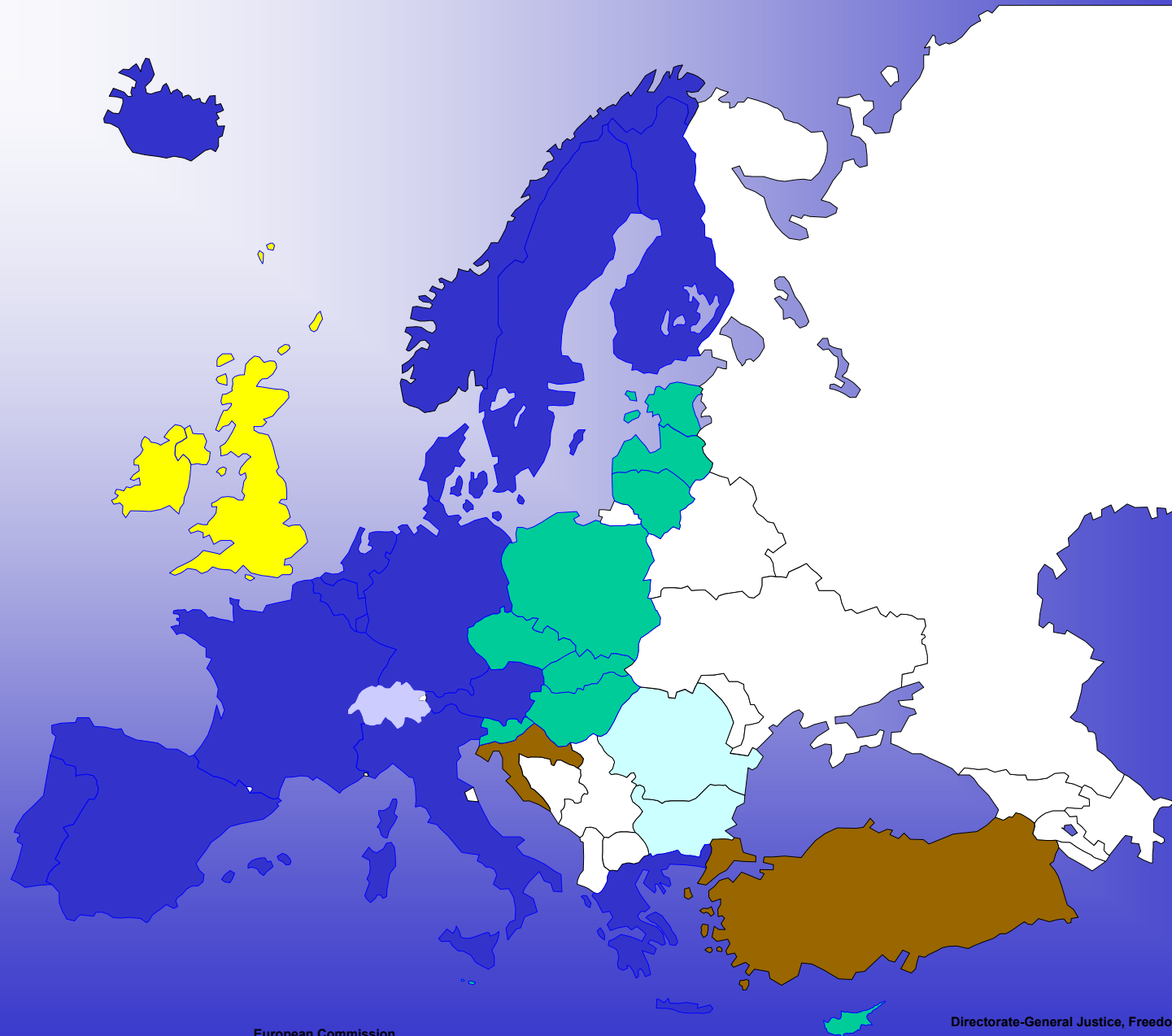
European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders (FRONTEX)

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Council Regulation (EC) N° 2007/2004 of 26 October 2004 (Establishing FRONTEX)

Main tasks (I):

- **Coordinate operational cooperation**
- **Assist Member States on training of national border guards, including the establishment of common training standards**
- **Carry out risk analyses**

FRONTEX (Main tasks (II))

- **Follow up on the development of research relevant for the control and surveillance of external borders**
- **Assist Member States in circumstances requiring increased technical and operational assistance at the external borders**
- **Provide Member States with the necessary support in organising joint return operations**

Objectives of FRONTEX

- Facilitate and render more effective the application of existing and future Community measures relating to the management of external borders

FRONTEX in an international context

- **Facilitation of operational cooperation with third countries and cooperation with competent authorities of third countries**
- **Cooperation with Europol and international organisations**

FRONTEX – future developments

- **Evaluation in 2007**
- **Customs, phytosanitary and veterinary controls?**
- **Rapid Reaction Teams**
- **European system of border guards?**