WHO WE ARE

EULEX Kosovo was launched in 2008 as the largest civilian mission under the Common Security and Defence Policy of the European Union. Its mission is to support selected Kosovo rule of law institutions on their path towards increased effectiveness, sustainability, multi-ethnicity and accountability, free from political interference and in line with international human rights standards and best European practices.

WHAT WE DO

EULEX implements its mandate through the Monitoring Pillar and the Operations Support Pillar. The Mission is committed to fulfil its obligation to mainstream gender and human rights in all its activities, both within the Mission and while working with Kosovo institutions.

Quick facts

Head of Mission:
Giovanni Pietro Barbano from Italy

📅 14 June 2023 – 14 June 2025

.identity 400 local and international staff

📍 Pristina, Kosovo

Legal basis:
• Council Decision (CFSP) 2023/1095
• Council Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP of February 2008
• UN Security Council resolution 1244 (1999)

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EULEX assesses the functioning of the Kosovo judiciary in terms of procedural, legal and human rights compliance through monitoring of selected cases at the entire chain of the criminal justice system, i.e. on police, prosecutorial and judicial level.

From June 2018 to 14 June 2023, EULEX’s justice monitors attended 1940 court sessions in 330 active criminal and civil cases including high-profile cases, war crimes cases, gender-based violence cases, corruption cases, and cases previously dealt with by EULEX. This monitoring results in reports with findings and recommendations for the Kosovo authorities aimed at improving the justice system.

EULEX supports the Kosovo Correctional Service’s efforts to develop a professional senior management team through monitoring, mentoring and advising. Since 2021, EULEX is also supporting the Kosovo Probation Service.

EULEX’s Correctional Unit staff: conducted over 800 field visits to various correctional facilities and to regional probation offices held around 665 meetings with Kosovo Correctional Services staff and 69 meetings with Kosovo Probation Service staff to support the management in addressing strategic issues Supported training sessions for over 1,830 participants

EULEX’s Formed Police Unit is Kosovo’s second security responder, as part of a three-layer security responder mechanism. EULEX can only engage at the explicit request of the first security responder in order to contribute to the maintenance and promotion of public order and security in cases of civil disturbance.

EULEX’s Formed Police Unit carries out daily reconnaissance patrols to gain situational awareness

15 June 2018 - 14 June 2023
Crowd-and-riot control exercises
10 trainings with the Kosovo Police and KFOR
11 trainings with the Kosovo Police
70 trainings with KFOR

EULEX facilitates the exchange of information between the Kosovo Police and Interpol, Europol or the Serbian Ministry of Interior.

Requests received and sent by EULEX from 15 June 2018 to 14 June 2023

EULEX continues to manage its own witness protection programme.

EULEX EXPERTS work with local counterparts at
THE INSTITUTE OF FORENSIC MEDICINE to determine the fate of missing persons by offering expertise and advice

THE MISSION HAS CONDUCTED:

2009 14 JUNE 2023

736 field operations to locate missing persons including 198 exhumations
The remains of 491 individuals have been identified including 339 missing persons

The Mission assists the Kosovo Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor’s Office with logistic and operational support in line with relevant Kosovo legislation.