



Ad-Hoc Query on National Contact Points responsible for Local Border Traffic

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1. Background Information










According to Article 12 Paragraph 2 of the Regulation (EC) No 1931/2006 Of The European Parliament And Of The Council of 20 December 2006 laying down the rules on local border traffic at the external land borders of the Member States and amending the provisions of the Schengen Convention, Member States shall designate a national contact point responsible for providing information about the local border traffic.

2. Responses

		Wider Dissemination?	1. We would like to know, if there are any national contact points responsible for providing information about the local border traffic in your country? 2. If such a national contact point exists, please provide its address, phone, e-mail.
	Austria	No	This EMN NCP has provided a response to the requesting EMN NCP. However, they have requested that it is not disseminated further
	Czech Republic	Yes	Not applicable.



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	Estonia	Yes	Estonia does not have a such national contact point.
	Finland	Yes	There is no local border traffic at our land borders. Therefore contact point does not exist.
	Germany	Yes	The Federal Republic of Germany has not issued local border traffic permits based on Regulation (EC) 1931/2006 and a national contact point for the purposes of this Regulation has not been designated. Since the accession of Switzerland to the Schengen Area on 12 December 2008 Germany does not have Schengen external land borders, to which that regulation might apply.
	Italy	Yes	Italy has no external land borders.
	Latvia	Yes	As the traffic of the local border population takes place in accordance with the general state residence provisions (issuance of visas) there is no specially developed national contact point. In accordance with the mentioned Regulation Latvia has not yet fully concluded agreements about the local border traffic regime with the third neighbours (BY, RU). However in accordance with the developed projects of the normative acts and agreements (when they will be adopted) it is planned to introduce the information about the permits of the local border traffic into National Visa Information System and thereby the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs might be regarded as national contact point. It is planned that OCMA will be the keeper of the data base which will maintain NVIS operation and maintenance.
	Lithuania	Yes	National contact point in Lithuania is not yet designated (as is stated in Regulation 1931/2006 Article 12 Paragraph 2). There are also no bilateral agreements signed on local border traffic (neither with Russian Federation nor with Belarus Republic). Implementing Article 12 Paragraph 2 of the Regulation, only the administration of data on local border traffic permits is foreseen in the Aliens register (the regulations of the Aliens register were amended by the decree of the Government).
	Netherlands	Yes	The Netherlands is at landside borders neighbouring Germany and Belgium; these are internal Schengen Borders. Therefore, regarding the Schengen Borders Code, there is no standard passport control and no registered local border traffic at the land borders. There are no special rules regarding local border traffic. At the sea border (North Sea coast), local border traffic across the sea (to the UK for example) is very rare. A Joint Border Coordination Center of both the border guards of Germany (Bundespolizei) and the Netherlands (Koninklijke Marechaussee) exists in Goch, Germany. However, this centre is meant for data exchange of illegal migrants across the border and it coordinates repatriation operations. Therefore, the Border Coordination Center is not a national contact point responsible for local border traffic as meant in Article 12 of Regulation (EC) No 1931/2006.
	Poland	Yes	1. Yes 2..Head of the Office for Foreigners address: ul. Koszykowa 16 00-564 Warsaw phone: +48 22 60-139-09, e-mail: wykaz@uric.gov.pl
	Slovak Republic	Yes	1. The Slovak Republic established national contact point responsible for providing information on the local border traffic. 2. Department of Central Visa Authority, OCP UHCP, Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic Address: Vajnorská 25, 812 72 Bratislava Tel.: + 421 9610 50753, + 421 9610 50754

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	Sweden	Yes	Not applicable
	United Kingdom	Yes	Not applicable.
