

## Operation of Specialized Investigation Teams as a (new) Challenge in the Investigation of Economic Crime

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Coordinated (co)operation of competent state bodies and institutions in dealing with economic crime and corruption, joint priorities, motivated and skilled investigators (who are able to perform their tasks within a specialized multidisciplinary investigation team), represent effective ways for restricting this type of crime with greater efficiency. Besides, it is a step forward in strengthening the rule of law and people's confidence in law. In order to ensure the smooth and undisturbed operations of specialized investigation teams, it is of utmost importance that members of the investigation team and heads of competent state bodies assign top priority to solving tasks related to work of the specialized investigation team.

In the most demanding cases of economic crime and corruption, the multidisciplinary approach in the form of specialized investigation teams ensures that a case is dealt with in a quick, complex and coordinated manner. The legal expertise and experiences of the state prosecutor, as well as the knowledge of criminal investigation tactics, forensic sciences and methodology, and the knowledge of experts from other state bodies and institutions are thus joined in one place. At the same time, the specialized investigation team provides for the useful and necessary exchange of knowledge and experiences between participants of the team.

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