



## EUPOL COPPS supplies specialized equipment to fight Arson crimes

EUPOL COPPS handed over specialized equipment to the Palestinian Civil Police (PCP) in Ramallah to enhance their capacities to conduct effective Arson investigations. The kits contain large quantities of essential items for the Criminal Police Department (CID), such as protective clothing, safety masks and evidence bags to assist the investigators in collecting samples from Arson crime scenes in a manner which avoids contamination of evidence.



## Uniformed Palestinian police receives traffic training course

With the support of EUPOL COPPS, the Palestinian Civil Police (PCP) embarked on a comprehensive traffic training programme for members of the Traffic Department to enhance their capabilities in traffic surveillance and road safety. The two-month long programme, which started in mid January at the Jericho-based Palestine College for Police Sciences (PCPS), targets some 200 members of the police from West Bank districts.



## EUPOL COPPS holds a workshop on Community Policing

EUPOL COPPS held a workshop in Ramallah for some 50 Palestinian Civil Police (PCP) officers to exchange best practice models of community policing and to show how a good working relation between police and the public can serve as a crime prevention tool. The Mission assists the PCP in carrying out several activities to inform the public about their role in serving the community. The latest effort involved erecting huge banners in major cities of the West Bank to support greater interaction with the population.



## Improving policies of the Ministry of Justice

The Palestinian Minister of Justice Ali Muhanna held a consultative forum in Ramallah, in which he presented a draft "vision" for his Ministry to members of civil society. This document, which aims at improving the policies of the Ministry of Justice, is an outcome of a project being implemented by the UK consultancy firm "Social Pioneers" with EUPOL COPPS's support, and funding from the UK Government. The Minister consulted with both civil society and other key justice institutions in an effort to encourage transparency and openness in proposed reforms of the justice sector.



## EUPOL COPPS concludes fire response course

EUPOL COPPS organised fire response training courses for 74 Palestinian Police officers of Correction and Rehabilitation centres in seven West Bank districts to raise safety procedures for both inmates and prison staff members. EUPOL COPPS also donated fire extinguisher kits, including 88 water and dry powder extinguishers to the districts. The safety of prison staff and inmates in custody remains a high priority of the Palestinian Civil Police and EUPOL COPPS.



## EUPOL COPPS participates in International competition with Palestinian law students

Three EUPOL COPPS experts participated in Ramallah in the National Palestinian rounds of the Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition involving 45 students from six Palestinian law faculties. The team from Birzeit University won the event and will participate in international finals in Washington D.C. in April 2013. Moot trials and courts help prepare students for future careers in the judiciary, as lawyers and in the public service.

