Press release 24BLUE Rail Action Day
13 – 14 November 2019

RAILPOL, the European Association of Organizations responsible for policing the railways in Europe, organized the 18th 24BLUE Rail Action Day, on 13th – 14th November 2019.

A coordinated action which took place in the member countries of RAILPOL with the main aim to enhance and intensify international railway police cooperation in Europe, to prevent threats and guarantee the effectiveness of measures against cross-border crimes and, last but not least, to send a Pan-European message of Police collaboration.

The participating RAILPOL member states performed checks in the stations and on the trains, such as preventive actions to tackle the most common criminal phenomena of the railway environment with a special red line: checks to freight trains to counteract illegal migration.

During the action 13,921 Police Officers were involved. They performed 45,708 id-checks. The security services led to patrol of 5,324 train stations and check of 5,900 trains, where the Police Officers prevented numerous offences across varying crime types with the arrest and the reporting of 318 persons to the courts.