



Press release *Rail Action Day Active Shield* **19th – 20th January 2022**

RAILPOL, the European Association of Organizations responsible for policing the railways in Europe, organized the Rail Action Day “Active Shield”, on 19th and 20th January 2022.

A coordinated action which took place in fifteen member Countries of RAILPOL. Performed in full compliance with the containment measure provided for the Covid-19 outbreak.



The main objective of the action is to enhance and intensify international railway police cooperation in Europe. The concept of the Active Shield is to perform several checks on trains - mainly high speed and international - and in the stations, with the aim of identifying passengers and, where necessary, checking their baggage to prevent threats and to guarantee to passengers a safe travel across Europe.

During the action **13.810** Police Officers were involved. They performed **37.887** checks on persons and checked **5.536** baggage, when required. **300** luggage shops and **589** automatic lockers were also checked. Additional means such as metal detectors or dogs were used as needed.



The overall activities have resulted in the patrol of **6.900** train stations and check of **6.708** trains, where the Police Officers prevented numerous offences across varying crime types by the reporting of **1.198** persons.

Poland also participated in the action as guest Country, contributing to the good result of the coordinated activities.

