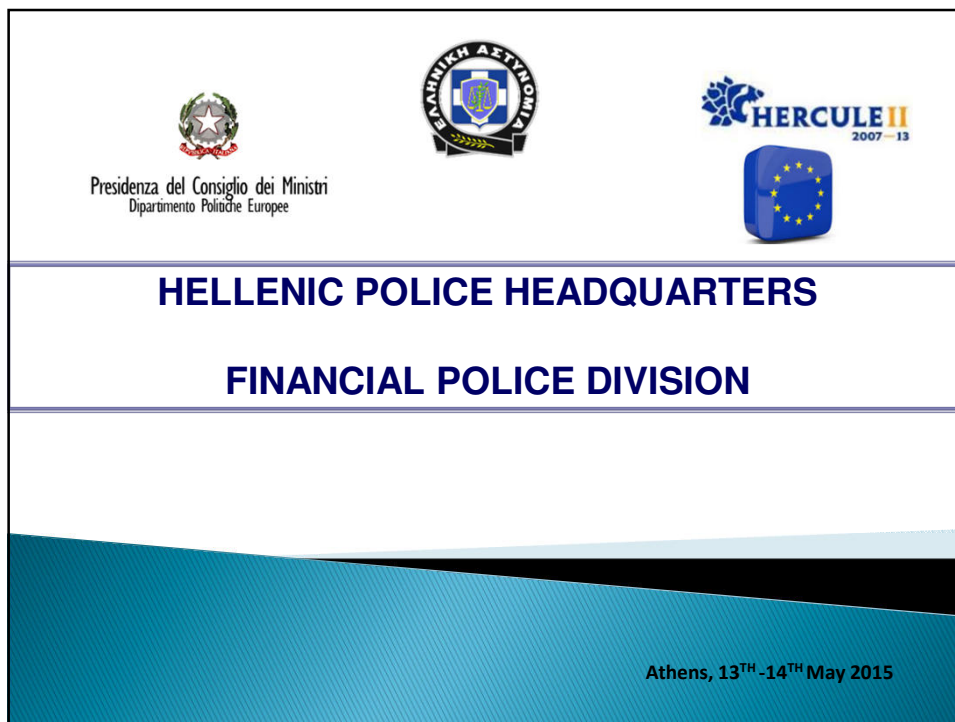




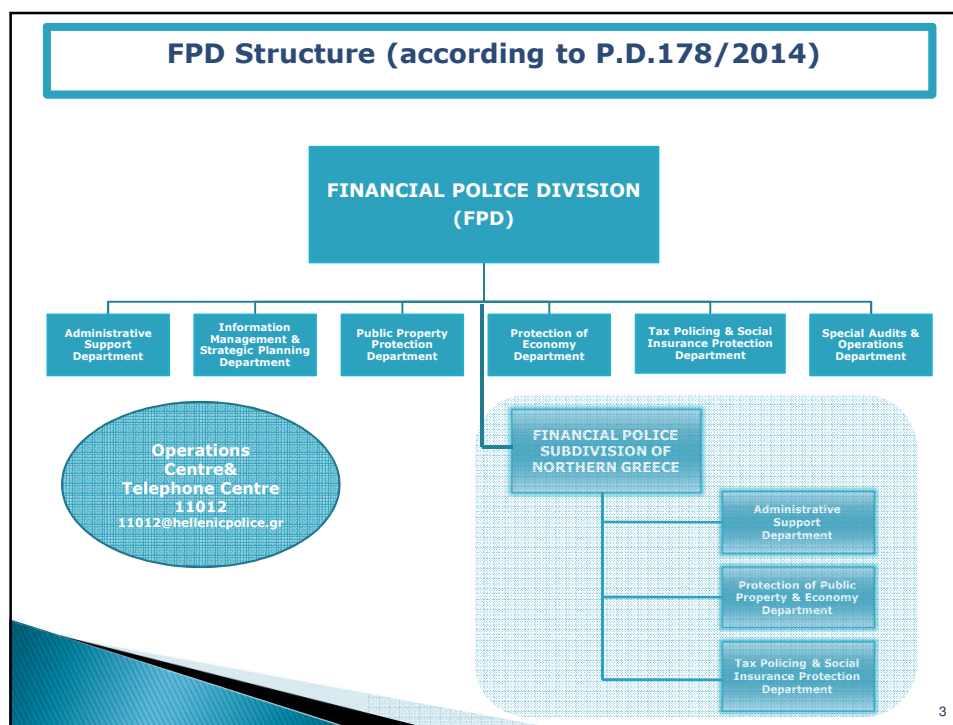

The Financial Police Division was firstly established in 2011 as the former Financial Police Subdivision of the Financial Police and Cyber Crime Unit an independent central Service, of Police Directorate level.

Recently the Service reorganized and renamed to Financial Police Division (L.4249/2014). FPD has its seat in Attica and exercises its competencies to the whole Hellenic territory. Supervised by the Deputy Chief of Hellenic Police.

The mission of FPD is the prevention, investigation and suppression:

- ☐ of financial crimes committed against the interests of public sector and national economy, especially those showing characteristics of organized crime.
- ☐ of undeclared and uninsured labor, even in cases that are not criminal offenses.

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FPD is included in public administration's supervisory mechanisms whose operational control is exercised by the Minister of State for Combating Corruption (L.4320/2015).

General Secretariat for Combating Corruption (AFCOS authority in Greece), falling under the jurisdiction of Minister of State for Corruption, coordinates FPD's actions.

FPD also participates in the three-year National Operational Plan Against Tax Evasion and implements it through:

- ☐ Carrying actions in the areas of unlawful activity and especially in financial crimes that have characteristics of organized crime
- ☐ Elaboration of a separate Operational Action Plan for the prosecution of crimes relating to the application of the Tax and Customs Legislation
- ☐ Orientation the aforementioned Plan to tackle crimes directly related to the loss of state revenues

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Measures included in FPD's Operational Plan focus on addressing the following crimes, with a view to also combat tax evasion:

Public Property Protection Department

- ☐ **Offences relating to squandering Community & National Grants**
- ☐ **Frauds against Greek public/E.U. interests regarding the funding of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and public organizations-enterprises subsidized by Greek state**
- ☐ **Frauds against Greek public/E.U. interests regarding offences like fraud, bribery, abuse of administrative authority and corruption**

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Protection of Economy Department

- ☐ **Illegal gambling (audits in stores-recreation rooms, internet café and illegal betting online)**
- ☐ **Counterfeit products and Infringement of Intellectual Property Rights**
- ☐ **Any illegal transactions or activities relating to the operation of credit and financial institutions**

Tax Policing & Social Insurance Protection Department

- ☐ **Smuggling (tobacco products - fuels - alcohol)**
- ☐ **Tax Evasion of natural persons and legal entities (with criminal nature)**
- ☐ **Scams against Social Security Funds and Organizations (illegal prescriptions, overpricing of medicines & medical equipment, non beneficiary persons receiving benefits or medical services)**
- ☐ **Inspections about undeclared/uninsured work**

Special Audits Department

- ☐ **Illegal activities of cross-border Organized Criminal Groups, especially with the use of offshore companies**
- ☐ **Money laundering and tracing assets related to above criminal offences**

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Cooperation with other Agencies

- ☐ Other Hellenic Police agencies
- ☐ National Intelligence Service
- ☐ Coast Guard
- ☐ Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU)
- ☐ Agencies, organizations and bodies of the European Union and other countries (Europol, Interpol, OLAF, FIOD etc.)
- ☐ Cooperation with SDOE, the Tax Administration, Customs, General Secretariat of Information System and other agencies of the Ministry of Finance
- ☐ Cooperation development with Hellenic Public Real Estate Corporation, Social Insurance Institute, National Organization for Medicines, Financial Institutions etc.

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• Article 44 L.4249/2014

- ☐ In cases where an audit is being performed by Financial Police Division (FPD) for assuring offences of tax and customs legislation, preliminary examination or an investigation for financial crimes there is no tax, customs, banking or professional secrecy applied
- ☐ Obligation of all authorities and public organizations for providing all the available information that is being requested by FPD

• Article 27 L.4110/2013

- ☐ For every grant being given to NGO's, public organizations, enterprises etc. the special Report of the responsible Minister towards the Minister of Finance along with other file documents is being communicated to FPD

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Interfaces for Exchange of information between FPD and other Authorities

- ❑ **Elenxis information system administered by Services of Ministry of Finance, for immediate and authorized access to tax-payer's data (Joint Ministerial Decision 7001/2/1445-κζ')**
- ❑ **Bank Accounts and Payments Accounts Registers System (article 62 L.4170/2013), facilitates the electronic transmission of requests from competent Authorities fighting financial crime, for information held by banking institutes, in accordance with the legislation for lifting of banking and professional secrecy and confidentiality of data**

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Quantitative data from FPD's annual Report for 2014

- ❑ **4.091 complaints received**
- ❑ **1.909 cases handled**
- ❑ **1.218 audits performed for compliance with tax and insurance legislation**
- ❑ **526 files of proceedings formed**
- ❑ **749 persons accused, from which 211 persons arrested**
- ❑ **82.330.890 € estimated public loss**
- ❑ **11.246.055,16 € amount of fines imposed**

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