In the wake of the terrorist attacks in Paris and Copenhagen, CESI would like to thank and pay tribute to the members of the police force who ensured that the perpetrators of the crimes were dealt with quickly, but who did not escape unscathed, with three French police officers killed and five Danish police officers injured. In the face of the worrying rise of radicalisation and terrorism in Europe, it seems timely to stress the crucial role that the police force plays each day in protecting citizens, fundamental rights and democracy. It is also important to remind people of the fact that this job is becoming more and more dangerous and that the conditions under which it is carried out are more and more difficult. Indeed, at the very moment when these people are putting their lives on the line every day, the police, as with other professions in the public sector, is being affected by austerity measures which have a direct impact on staff and their facilities. What is more, given the fact that, for many, they are the face of the State and its unpopular measures, the police force is also increasingly faced with a lack of respect and its officers are sometimes even the victims of violence. It is therefore crucial, now more than ever, to continue to support our police force in its efforts to keep us safe and uphold our values and rule of law. On behalf of CESI, the Presidium therefore expresses its deep respect and gratitude to all institutions whose job it is to maintain law and order in France, Denmark and throughout Europe.