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Chris joined Europol in April 2009 having previously been a Senior Investigation Officer of HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC) with over 30 years service in that Department, during which time he gained extensive operational experience in the fields of Customs, Excise and VAT. His last HMRC position saw him based at Custom House in London, where he led a criminal investigation team which specialises in targeting Missing Trader Intra Community (MTIC) frauds.

Chris is now a Second Officer in Europol's Financial and Property Crime unit, working on two Analysis Work Files (AWFs), MTIC (Missing Trader / Carousel fraud in VAT) and COPY (Intellectual Property Crime), having previously served two spells on secondment to Europol from HMRC dating back to November 2006. Chris has worked on the production of Europol's flagship document, the Organised Crime Threat Assessment (OCTA) and was the UK national expert charged with initiating the AWF MTIC.