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Editorial

Dear Reader,

The Hellenic Presidency of the EUCPN is coming to its end and I would like to share with you some of the latest developments in the Network.

During the first day of the Board Meeting held in Athens in March 2014, we focused on two topics: illegal immigration and corruption. Academics and researchers presented the latest knowledge and research in these fields and representatives from public bodies and organisations summarised the actions that have been taken to tackle the aforementioned phenomena. The abstracts of their presentations are included in the Newsletter. Both the second day of the March Meeting and the next Meeting of the Board, which took place in May 2014, focused solely on EUCPN issues. Highlighting some of the outputs, I would like to mention the clarification of the role of three core actors of the EUCPN, namely the National Representatives, the National Contact Points and the Observers. Especially, the definition of the 'National Representative', which is a synthesis of various proposals made by our Members, makes their role more explicit and may serve as a basis for more concrete discussions in the future. Also, following a fruitful discussion on the European Crime Prevention Award (ECPA), one of the important and high quality activities of the Network, the Board concluded that this year the ECPA Rules of Procedure will not be changed. Furthermore, the toolkit on evaluation and its translation into all Member State languages are highly valued by all the Members of the Board and, in continuation of this successful translation exercise, it is evident that efforts should continue to translate and disseminate the core documents of the EUCPN to all the stakeholders in the Member States. Under the Hellenic Presidency of the EUCPN the first steps were also taken to discuss the future development of the Network, for example, by gathering reflections on the potential of a European Crime Prevention Observatory. Finally, the development of the new EUCPN website, led by the Secretariat, is anticipated with great interest because of its prospect

to advance the Network.

The Hellenic Presidency would like to thank all speakers who participated during the meetings and expanded the Network input on illegal immigration and corruption with their expertise. Secondly, the Representative of the European Commission, the National Representatives who contributed actively to the discussions and, in particular, the Members of the Secretariat for their highly supportive-contribution during the Hellenic Presidency.

Last but not least, I would like to wish a lot of success to the Italian Presidency of the EUCPN. I am sure that there are many challenges to be met for the EUCPN which will lead to its evolution in the next few years.



Professor Iakovos Farsedakis
EUCPN Chair



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Conclusions and recommendations of the EUCPN Best Practice Conference 2013

The Best Practice Conference (BPC) 2013 that took place on 11-12 December 2013, was hosted by Lithuania and focused on 'Prevention in Domestic Violence'. To read the conclusions and recommendations, click [here](#).

EUCPN thematic seminar on illegal immigration and corruption

On the first day of the March meeting of the Hellenic Presidency a thematic seminar took place which focused on illegal immigration and corruption. Academics and researchers presented the latest knowledge and research in these fields and representatives from public bodies and organisations summarised the actions that have been taken to tackle the aforementioned phenomena.

To read the abstracts on illegal immigration, click [here](#).

To read the abstracts on corruption, click [here](#).

EUCPN Secretariat - Workshop 'Developing a toolbox on the concept of administrative approach'

On 19 June 2014, the Secretariat organised an expert workshop on administrative approach in Brussels. This workshop was organised to support the development of a toolbox on the concept of administrative approach. The aims of the workshop were threefold: (i) improve the knowledge and insight on administrative approach, more specifically also the preventive side of it, (ii) link theory and practice and (iii) provide input for the development of a conceptual framework by identifying some "key elements" of an administrative approach in the prevention of crime. The one-day workshop was divided into two sessions: the morning session focused on the theoretical concept of administrative approach, during which various academic experts shared their viewpoints, while the afternoon session concentrated on how administrative approach is implemented in practice. The outcomes of this workshop will be implemented in the next EUCPN Toolbox which will be made available on the EUCPN website by the end of the summer.

For more information, contact eucpn@ibz.eu.

Best Practice Conference (BPC) and European Crime Prevention Award (ECPA) 2014

The highlight of the EUCPN year is the Best Practice Conference (BPC) for sharing and disseminating experience and knowledge of best practices in preventing crime and increasing safety and security in EU Member States. The conference, which is always organised under one specific theme, consists of lectures and seminars with experts and

practitioners as well as the presentation and discussion of the projects nominated for the European Crime Prevention Award (ECPA), a contest in which all Member States' best practices compete with each other. Policymakers, practitioners and researchers from EU Member States, candidate countries and relevant organisations are usually present at the conference. This year's BPC and ECPA presentation will take place 16-17 December 2014 in Rome, Italy and the key topic is '**prevention of trafficking in human beings**'. For more information, contact eucpn@ibz.eu.

Research and publications

EMCDDA

European Drug Report 2014: Trends and developments

This report summarises the latest trends across the 28 EU Member States, Turkey and Norway. This top-level analysis explores drug supply, drug use and drug-related problems, health and social responses to drug problems, and drug policies. To read the report, click [here](#).

TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL

the European Union Integrity System

This report includes the results of the first ever comprehensive review of corruption and integrity risks in the EU institutions. It is a review that analyses how EU institutions promote integrity, how they deal with the risk of corruption and how their policies help the fight against corruption in Europe. It looks at both the rules in place and the practice in ten EU institutions and bodies.

To read the report, click [here](#).

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION (ILO)

Profits and poverty: The economics of forced labour

This new publication of the International Labour Office on the economics of forced labour takes the understanding of forced labour, human trafficking, and modern forms of slavery to a new level. It builds on earlier ILO studies on the extent, cost and profits from forced labour. For the first time, it looks at both the supply and demand sides of forced labour, and presents solid evidence for a correlation between forced labour and poverty. What's more, it provides startling new estimates of the illegal profits generated through the use of forced labour, as well as new evidence of the key socio-economic factors that increase the risk of falling victim to coercion and abuse.

To read this report, click [here](#).

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Migration and the EU's foreign policy

This analysis, conducted by the Policy Department of Directorate-General for External Policies, explores the EU migration policy following the recent tragedies at the EU's maritime borders. EU leaders have emphasised the need for policies treating migration to be guided by the principles of 'prevention, protection and solidarity'. Beyond immediate responses, the EU must also engage in a broader and longer-term debate on the ways that migration is addressed by its different external policies – those touching on security, development cooperation, the neighbourhood policy and international protection. The report argues that, whilst the Parliament should demand that all EU and third countries' policies fully respect human rights, it should also consider Mediterranean migration in a wider context and highlight the positive potential of human mobility for socioeconomic development.

To read the report, click [here](#).

VITRUV project – Vulnerability Identification Tools for Resilience Enhancements of Urban Environment

The VITRUV project is a European funded (FP7) research project which developed tools to support urban planners to systematically include security considerations within the complete urban planning process from initial concept to detailed plans. The software provides advice on three levels - concept, plan and detail - on security aspects to urban planners. The last 12 months of the project included intensive testing of the developed software and related resources through four case study areas (Bologna, Copenhagen, the London Borough of Southwark and Waterford City) and additional validation cases including the Oslo bombing on 22 July 2011 .

For more information, click [here](#).

ADVISE project - Advanced Video Surveillance archives search Engine for security applications

ADVISE is a European funded (FP7) research project, aiming at providing national and local law enforcement authorities with an innovative tool for supporting them in following the criminal act trails, recorded by existing video surveillance system archives. For

demonstrating the potentiality of the tool, two pilots have been designed, aiming at addressing different needs and tracing different kind of events. Both of them and the ADVISE framework have been developed following a PIA (Privacy Impact Assessment) approach, ensuring the compliance with the privacy and ethical rules. For more information, click [here](#).

TRENDS & ISSUES IN CRIME AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Victims' experiences of short and long-term safety and wellbeing: Findings from an examination of an integrated response to domestic violence by S. Meyer

This paper examines victims' short and long-term experiences of safety and wellbeing after being supported through a six week police-led integrated response to domestic violence in Caboolture, Southeast Queensland. The overarching objective of this integrated response was to create safer home environments for women and children affected by domestic violence. The response was run as a pilot project from January 2010 until December 2011 and received subsequent funding for continuation after the initial pilot period. Findings presented in this paper are based on the last six months of the pilot period and illustrate women's perceived safety and wellbeing during and after their initial state of crisis.

To read the article, click [here](#).

Online communities: Utilising emerging technologies to improve crime prevention knowledge, practice and dissemination by J. Anderson

Online communities are increasingly being recognised as a way of sharing ideas and knowledge among different practitioner communities, particularly when practitioners are not able to meet face to face. This paper explores the considerations associated with establishing online communities for crime prevention practitioners, drawing on research from across the community of practice, online community and knowledge management sectors.

To read the paper, click [here](#).

ITALY

Project Crossing the skills: teaching supervision and professional supervision in the Italian juvenile justice

This research is aimed at studying the characteristics of the organizational, methodological and operational supervision with which to achieve educational and professional experience in the specific area of juvenile justice services. The search starts from the acquired: in the area of juvenile justice, supervision (certainly teaching, but to some extent also professional) is an issue already present for a long time in the experience of the services. However, there is a lack of precise knowledge on the matter, both in terms of its distribution as in terms of characterization. To read more, click [here](#).

Member States' good practices

GERMANY

Crime Prevention Networking and Community-based Prevention Management in Germany by W. Kahl

The updated report surveys the current situation of crime prevention networking in Germany with a focus on the complementary structure of crime prevention on different levels (local, region/state and national levels) and especially the support by national bodies. The necessity for empirical data as a basis for a rational crime law policy and for crime prevention strategies is emphasised, while instruments for the acquisition of information are explained. Further, community-based prevention management is analysed and key recommendations are presented concerning a variety of aspects: analysis, structure, institutionalisation, multi-agency approach, cooperation, citizens-participation, long term concepts, evaluation and funding.

To read the report, click [here](#).

BELGIUM

Focus group on domestic burglary

This focus group was organized in the framework of the European project 'An integral methodology to develop an information-led and community-orientated policy to tackle domestic burglary' by the Directorate Local Integral Security of the Belgian FPS Home Affairs. The aim of the focus group was to collect expertise and reflections regarding domestic burglary in Europe through moderated discussions. Two different subjects were discussed: on the one hand, there was a discussion on 'Mobile criminal groups as seen from an integral perspective' and, on the other hand, 'New technologies regarding domestic burglary' were brought up.

To read more about the project, click [here](#).

To read more about the focus group, click [here](#).

Project CO3 – Impact evaluation

In 2012, the Province of Antwerp and the City of Antwerp set up a permanent inter-agency collaboration between the police and judicial authorities, the aid and social care services, and the local administrations. These partners are brought together as part of one client-oriented organisation: CO3. By collaborating on the basis of a chain model, the different working methods are being tuned in to one another in a common action plan in which the family (the client) is at the centre. Each family is assigned to a 'case manager' who follows up the cooperation between the different organisations. Not only the violence which occurred is discussed, but also the underlying problems inside the family. In order to prevent repetition, emphasis is laid on the protective factors. The strengths of the family are the starting point of the action plan. This project received the honourable mention for 'best cooperation' in the European Crime Prevention Award (ECPA) 2013. The first external impact evaluation of the project has now been completed and aims to know what the effects of the multiagency approach of the CO3 chain approach are by answering the following sub questions:

- What are the effects of the CO3 cooperation relating to the approach for the client system in all its aspects?
- What are the effects of the CO3 cooperation in terms of repetition?
- How does the situation within the client system develop regarding a number of living situations?

To read the CO3 project, click [here](#).

To read the evaluation (in Dutch), click [here](#).

For more information, contact [Pascale Franck](#).

Upcoming events

Date	Event	Location
26-27 June 2014	27th Baltic Criminological Conference Criminology as vocation and profession	Vilnius, Lithuania
27-31 July 2014	25th Annual Meeting of the International Police Executive Symposium (IPES)	Sofia, Bulgaria
10-13 September 2014	14th Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology	Prague, Czech Republic
5-8 October 2014	2nd International Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health (LEPH2014)	Amsterdam, the Netherlands
20-21 November 2014	International COSA (Circles Of Support and Accountability) Conference	Barcelona, Spain
20-22 November 2014	The 4th International Conference on Survivors of Rape: Rape, survivors, policies and Support Systems a European Challenge (IV ICSor)	Lisbon, Portugal
16-17 December 2014	EUCPN Best Practice Conference (BPC) and European Crime Prevention Award (ECPA) 2014	Rome, Italy

For more information on one of these events, click [here](#).

Preview

The next edition of the EUCPN Newsletter in September 2014 will focus on the prevention of trafficking in human beings. We kindly invite readers to share their news and information on European crime prevention issues with the EUCPN Secretariat by sending contributions (in English, 100-150 words abstract) to eucpn@ibz.eu.

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