**Project title:**
National Security Threat Map (NSTM)

**Main theme:**
Introduction of an interactive tool for informing the Police about local security threats in order to cooperate with the society in eliminating socially unwanted condition. (Topics: Community Policing, Crime Mapping)


**Project purpose and outcome (in two sentences):**
The main purpose of the NTSM is to act as an information exchange platform between the Police and the society regarding threats, made to i.a. activate the local societies and to verify and optimise the Police organisational structures.

The evaluation of this tool, performed on the basis of remarks from the side of the society enabled to perceive real threats to the local societies that can be eliminated by the Police or other institutions, and the effects can be quickly noticed by the society.

**Project submitter (Member State):**
Poland

**Project leader(s):**
Bureau of Prevention of the National Police HQ in Poland

**Project partner(s):**
Main National Geodesist office in Poland

**Project description:**
The project of NSTM, as the first in the polish Police history, was preceded by vast consultations within the society. On the basis of propositions reported during discussions about the shape of the NSTM a set of 25 categories of most commonly reported threats has been developed. This solution, activates the society in a matter unknown before, in order to make the society also responsible for the condition of security in the living area. For this purpose, the interactive part of the NSTM has been created, and every person using it, with no charge, may anonymously indicate a place where the threat occurs which in his/her assumption does negatively affect the sense of security. The process of indicating a threat on to the NSTM should not last longer than a dozen or so seconds. The user, after choosing one from 25 threats available in the catalog, should indicate the localisation where it is present and then, with the ZGŁOŚ (report) button presents the threat on the map. The reporting person may also add details of the threat occurrence (i.e. a photo). The Police does ensure, that every such indication will be taken care of with proper seriousness and the effect of this action will be visible on the map. The Police via Internet, supported by modern technology, does reach to a vast population of receivers.

Information gathered by NSTM are the basis of defining courses of action of different units within the
uniformed (prevention) Police service, including community officers, and also indicate eventual needs of changes within the organisational structure of the Police.

Objectives project:
According to the assumptions the NSTM should:
- act as an information exchange platform between the Police and the society regarding threats,
- reflect threats already indicated and registered by law enforcement and other services,
- present threats noticed by the society – activation of local societies,
- serve for verification and optimalisation of present organisational structures of the Police,
- enable „verification” of survey results on sense of security of citizens published by public poll research centres compared to own data and analysis from the Police.

Project outcome:
Examples of NSTM outcome:
- improvement of road traffic safety by:
  - correction of traffic organisation and modification of road infrastructure,
  - modification and improvement of road signs on polish roads,
  - temporary elimination from road traffic of unsafe drivers, who flagrantly infringe road safety by excess speeding,
- taking up actions aimed at eliminating the common occurrence of drinking alcohol in prohibited areas;
- taking up protective measures towards homeless persons, beggars or minors endangered by demoralisation (i.e. using intoxicants, acts of vandalism etc.)

The establishment of the 'National Security Threat Map' has enabled citizens to report on a variety of threats which assist the Police in identifying issues that might not otherwise be reported. The guaranteed response is an assurance to the public that their concerns will be addressed.

Start and end project:
Introduced on October 5 2016, in use since then.

Timescales and key milestone dates:

Funding (total budget and type of funding (e.g. ISEC, EUCPN Fund, ...)):
The project has been carried out by the Police in cooperation with the Main National Geodesist office in Poland. For this reason, no financial costs were beared by the Police. The only costs covered by the National Police HQ – 15 thousand PLN were payed for the advancement of the NSTM (i.e. for posters, leaflets, gadgets for children – balloons, reflective pendants etc.)

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