Efus helps police forces and local authorities reducing the impact of petty crime

The project « Cutting Crime Impact (CCI) » was officially launched from 23 to 25 October in Manchester. This project is funded by the Horizon 2020 program of the European Commission with a budget of € 3.1 million for a period of three years. It is intended to provide innovative solutions to high-impact crime such as physical and sexual assault, robbery, burglary and vandalism.

Reduce the impact of petty crime
The objective of the project Cutting Crime is to allow the police and other authorities, concerned locally and nationally, in particular those responsible for security policies, to reduce the impact of petty crime and, as far as possible, prevent it altogether.

The project focuses essentially on petty crime that has a negative impact upon citizens - violent assault, burglary, theft and antisocial behaviour - and that which creates a sentiment of insecurity.

Developing innovative tools of prevention, investigation and crime reduction

The project will develop accompanying tools for police forces and policy decision makers. Efus will contribute to the development of these innovative tools of prevention, investigation and crime reduction. These solutions will take a variety of forms — from digital tools, such as an app, to new ways of working or guidance for officers facing specific challenges. Efus will disseminate these methods and tools throughout its network of European decision makers in the field of urban security.

These tools will then be integrated within each of the forces’ operations and demonstrated in a real policing environment. CCI researchers will monitor how effective the tools are in practice and identify necessary improvements.

A consortium bringing together complementary partners

The project is directed by Salford University (UK). The consortium involves complementary partners determined to develop innovative solutions together in order to reduce the impact of petty crime.
Law enforcement agencies:
- Greater Manchester Police – UK
- National Police of the Netherlands
- Poliitsei- ja Piirivalveamet – Estonia
- Policia Municipal de Lisboa, Camara Municipal de Lisboa – Portugal
- Landeskriminalamt Niedersachsen – Germany
- Departament d’Interior – Generalitat de Catalunya – Spain

Other members of the CCI project consortium are:
- DSP groep bv – Netherlands
- Rijksuniversiteit Groningen – Netherlands
- Deutscher Präventionstag Institut – Germany
- European Forum for Urban Security (Efus) – France
- Globaz SA – Portugal

Efus: a recognised methodological expertise
For 30 years, Efus has developed an expertise to implement operational methodologies reinforcing local security policies (audits, evaluation, pilot projects). Efus is regularly included in European cooperation projects and has published over 62 books on urban security topics. In 2016, Efus published the guide *Methods and tools for a strategic approach to Urban Security*, a guide to equip European policy makers and local technicians so that they develop and regularly review their safety policies relying on reliable data collected in the field.

About Efus

Founded in 1987 in Barcelona under the auspices of the Council of Europe, the European Forum for Urban Security (Efus) is the only European network of local and regional authorities dedicated to urban security. Gathering some 250 local and regional authorities from 16 countries, its objectives are to:
- Promote a balanced vision of urban security combining prevention, sanction and social cohesion;
- Support local and regional authorities in the design, implementation and evaluation of their local security policy;
- Help local authorities get recognition for their role in the development and implementation of national and European policies.

With the support of a network of experts from a number of universities, institutions and NGOs, Efus works on all the issues linked to urban security and crime prevention.

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