



European  
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Urban  
Security

# GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2010 & CONFERENCE

“How cities reconcile security  
and fundamental rights”

Berlin, May 10th & 11th 2010



In partnership with the International Forum (AIF)  
of the German Congress on Crime Prevention





**Conference  
programme  
&  
Biographies**

**Monday, May 10th 2010**

Interpretation between English, French, German, Italian and Spanish

**9:00 - 10:30 Entrance Hall**

Reception for international guests

(A special check-in counter is at the disposal of our international guests)

**11:00 - 12:30 Hall 1**

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**Opening Plenum of the  
German Congress on Crime Prevention**

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**12:30 - 13:30 GCOCP Catering Area**

Lunch break

**13:30 - 15:00 Hall 7**

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**Security and Freedom in a new European  
and international context**

Chair: Michel Marcus, Executive Director EFUS

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**Welcome and introduction**

Erich Marks, Director of the Annual International Forum

and Secretary of the Executive Committee of ICPC

Prof. Dr. Hans-Jürgen Kerner, President of the GCOCP

and the German Foundation for Crime Prevention

Carlos Perez Anadon, Deputy-Mayor of Zaragossa (EFUS-Presidency)

**Convincing governments to invest in prevention -  
reducing crime, protecting rights**

Prof. Dr. Irvin Waller, Professor for Criminology, University of Ottawa, CA

**The international context including the action plan  
of the 12th UN Congress on Crime Prevention**

Dr. Paula Miraglia, Director General of the International Centre for

the Prevention of Crime Montreal, CA

**Ensuring security and fundamental rights in urban settings**

Dr. Alexander Butchart, World Health Organization, CH

15:30 - 16:45 Hall 7

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**Ensuring security and fundamental rights  
in the context of immigrant societies**  
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**The experiences of Modena and Italy**

Giorgio Pighi, Mayor of Modena and president of the Italian Forum for Urban Safety, IT

**Immigration and safety: Managing conflicts. Experiences in Catalonia**

Francesc Guillén Lasierra, Head of projects and organisation, Secretary of Security, Interior Ministry of the Generalitat of Catalonia, SP

**Challenges and responses at the local level: The experience of Nantes**

Gilles Nicolas, Deputy Mayor of Nantes, FR

**Challenges and responses at the local level: 'Violence Prevention Network' and 'Cultures interactives'**

PD Dr. Harald Weilnböck (Berlin/ Zürich), DE/CH

**Discussion**

17:00 - 18:30 Hall 7

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**Security technology supporting  
fundamental rights?**  
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**New security technology, democracy, privacy and effective crime prevention**

Peter Squires, Professor für Criminologie and Public Policy, University of Brighton, UK

**How to use social network for crime prevention**

Eija Laihinen, Planning Officer with the City of Helsinki, FI

**The use of technology to increase the security of women**

Carlos Carmona, Head of corporate security, City of Alcobendas, SP

**The use of new security technologies in crime prevention in Liège**

Sara Debouny and Bénédicte Biron, Crime prevention department, City of Liège, BE

**Discussion**

18:30 Hall 2

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**Evening Reception of the GCOCP, offered by the State of Berlin**  
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**Tuesday, May 11th 2010**

Interpretation between English, French, German, Italian and Spanish

9:00 - 10:30 Hall 7

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**Involvement of citizens and civil society  
in crime prevention**

Chair: Dr. Marc Coester, Coordinator International Affairs for the GCOCP

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**Citizen participation in crime prevention**

Prof. Dr. Paul Ekblom, Professor of Design Against Crime, University of the Arts London, UK

**Activating community coalitions for effective prevention planning:  
«the Communities That Care» approach**

Dr. Sabrina Oesterle, Social Development Research Group,  
University of Washington, Seattle, USA

**The citizen participation project “FONDACA” in Genoa**

Michela Tassistro, Concilor, Genoa Municipal Council, IT

**Overview of Violence Prevention in Berlin**

Stephan Voß, Berlin State Commission on Violence, DE

**Discussion**

11:00 - 12:30 Hall 7

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**Local responses in a changing European context  
for crime prevention - the mission of (D)EFUS**

Chair: Michel Marcus, Executive Director EFUS

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**The institutional context for crime prevention  
in the European Union after the Lisbon treaty**

Elizabeth Johnston, Deputy-Director, EFUS

**A Forum for German and European exchanges on  
human-rights based crime prevention: (D)EFUS**

Erich Marks, Managing Director of the GCOCP and member of the EFUS Executive Committee  
Dr. Martin Schairer, Mayor in charge of security and order, Stuttgart and member of the EFUS  
Executive Committee

## **Closing statements**

Carlos Perez Anadon, Deputy-Mayor of Zaragossa (EFUS-Presidency)

Guilherme Pinto, Mayor of Matosinhos and president of the Portuguese Forum for Urban Safety, PT

Giorgio Pighi, Mayor of Modena and president of the Italian Forum for Urban Safety, IT

## **Discussion**

**12:30 - 13:30 Pullman Lounge**

EFUS lunch

**13:30 - 16:30 Hall 7**

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## **Statutory General Assembly of the European Forum for Urban Security**

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**Presentation of 2009 Activity Report, 2010 Activities and  
election of 1/3 of the Executive Committee**

**13:30 - 15:00 Meeting at the entrance of hall 7**

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## **Exhibition of the GCOCP**

Walk over the exhibition

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**15:00 - 16:00 Hall 3**

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## **Closing Plenum of the GCOCP**

(German with interpretation into English)

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## Benedicte Biron



Bénédicte Biron is currently a Project Manager with the City of Liège. Her education included a degree in criminology from the University of Liège, awarded in 1995. The following year she successfully gained the specialist agrégation qualification in social sciences. Professionally, roles have included that of supervisor in the prevention service of the Local Police of Liège (1996-2000), where she undertook various security diagnostics of the city's quarters and worked on the contextualisation of recorded crime in the city. In 2000, she joined the City authority, taking up responsibilities regarding the security of commercial businesses, hospitals and public transport systems. It was in this role that she oversaw the creation of the CAP Security Service. In 2004, Ms. Biron gained a further qualification, as Technoprevention Advisor, awarded by the Belgian Federal Public Service of the Interior. She has held her present position as Project Manager responsible for security with the City of Liège's Prevention Plan since 2006. Here she supervises all projects to improve the security of public and semi-public spaces and of particularly target-groups.

## Alexander Butchart



Dr Alexander Butchart is the Prevention of Violence Coordinator in the Department of Violence and Injury Prevention and Disability at the World Health Organization (WHO) in Geneva, Switzerland. His responsibilities include coordinating the Global Campaign for Violence Prevention, the development of policy for the prevention of interpersonal violence, preparation of guidelines for the prevention of specific types of interpersonal violence, and the coordination of research into various aspects of interpersonal violence and its prevention. His postgraduate training includes a master's degree in clinical psychology and neuro-psychology, and a doctoral degree for work examining the history and sociology of western medicine and public health in southern Africa. Prior to joining WHO he worked mainly in Southern and East Africa, where he was lead scientist in the South African Violence and Injury Surveillance Consortium, and in collaboration with the Uganda-based Injury Prevention Initiative for Africa participated in training violence and injury prevention workers from a number of African countries. He has been a visiting scientist at the Swedish Karolinska Institutet's Division of Social Medicine, and is a widely published social scientist.

## Carlos Carmona



Carlos Carmona Rodríguez is Head of Communications and Corporate Security at Alcobendas City Council, and a professor of security studies. Educated in Criminology at Salamanca and Madrid, Mr Carmona has a range of teaching roles, including as Professor of Local Police Academies in Madrid Community, Castilla la Mancha and Galicia and Senior Professor of Public Security Course at the Universidad Francisco de Vitoria in Madrid. In his professional capacity with Alcobendas City Council, his activities include the selection, acquisition, implementation and operation of all technology systems related to security in the city of Alcobendas, as well as management of the security of 105 municipal buildings. His is also President of the Security Managers Association Madrid Community (ADIJES), First Vice President of the Security Managers Federation of Spain (FEADS) and Technical Manager of the International Congress of Security (DIRSEG). He also contributes to congresses and seminars and publications in the specialized trade press.



## Sara Debouny



Sarah Debouny is a Project Manager with the city of Liège. She graduated with a qualification in communication in 2003, which was followed in 2006 by a degree in criminology. In 2007 she joined the City of Liège's Prevention Plan as a criminology specialist-advisor. In her role with the Liège city authority, she has undertaken internal audits and is responsible for maintaining relations with subsidiary powers and with the Consultative Community Council for Prevention and Security. She also coordinates the "Prevention Watch-Tower" technical group. She is a specialist project manager on projects concerning domestic violence. With the general objective of detecting and preventing domestic violence, and reducing its associated psychological threats, she has conducted a range of projects including tele-protection of victims of harassment by former partners and a victim-aid workshop.

## Bela Danielisz



Bela Danielisz was born in 1965 in Budapest. He graduated from the Budapest Faculty of Public Administration and Hungarian Police Academy as a crime prevention organiser. He has filled a number of local authority functions. Among others, in 1992-1994 he was an Expert of development strategy for the Metropolitan Fraction of Hungarian Socialist Party, than in 1996-1998 voting contributor for the Committee of Urban Order and Public Safety. From 1997 he was member, and from 1999 President of Surveillance Committee of Budapest Amusement Park, and in 2002-2006 Deputy Chairman for the Legislation Committee. He is now Chairman of the Committee of Public Order, member of the GA of Budapest, Deputy floor-leader for the Metropolitan Fraction of Hungarian Socialist Party, and crime prevention Councillor of the City of Budapest, with special interest in the system and function of municipal police organisations in Europe. His main work is the volumed essays entitled 'Biztonságért kilincselve' (Lobbying for Safety). He was awarded many international rewards and numerous home rewards, the most famous being the Gold Cross of Merit of the Hungarian Republic. He is also a Honorary Assistant Professor of the Hungarian Police Academy from 2006.

## Paul Ekblom



Following studies at University College London, Paul Ekblom worked as a researcher in the UK Home Office for many years, developing crime prevention projects including police truancy patrols, shoplifting, drink and disorder, and crime on the London Underground. He led the industrial-scale evaluation of the Safer Cities Programme. His final Home Office responsibilities included horizon-scanning; advising on Design against Crime (including on Safer Places, the government guide to crime prevention and planning). Paul has worked internationally with the EU Crime Prevention Network, Europol, UN and the Council of Europe. He is currently Professor and Academic Director of the University of the Arts London Research Centre on Design Against Crime. His current work covers design and evaluation of products, places, systems and communications, while continuing to develop frameworks for general crime prevention, community safety and problem-orientated policing such as the Conjunction of Criminal Opportunity, 5Is and the Misdeeds and Security framework. These frameworks can be viewed at [www.designagainstcrime.com](http://www.designagainstcrime.com)

## Francesc Guillén



Francesc Guillén is Head of Projects and Organisation at the Secretariat of Security, a branch of the Interior Ministry of the Generalitat of Catalonia. He is also a lecturer on Public Safety Policies and on Constitutional Law at the Autonomous University of Barcelona and the Open University of Catalonia. Furthermore, Mr Guillén is a member of the Steering Committee of the Police Platform for Urban Development and an active participant in the Safer Cities Programme of the United Nations Human Settlement Programme (UN-Habitat).

## Hans-Jürgen Kerner



Prof. Dr. Hans-Jürgen Kerner is full Professor at the Faculty of Law, University of Tübingen. He has had teaching roles at universities in Germany and internationally (including the Universities of Beijing, Pennsylvania, and Cambridge). Research activity has included a Council of Europe research team on organized crime in Western Europe and a Research Group on Victim-Offender-Reconciliation. Mr Kerner also worked as a Judge at the High Court of Appeal of the State of Hamburg. He is sometime President of the International Society for Criminology, President of the German Foundation for Crime Prevention and the Reintegration of Offenders, and a life-member of the American Society of Criminology, USA. He was also, for some 30 years until fall 2009, the Chair of the German DBH-Association for Social Work, Penal Law and Crime Policy. At the University of Tübingen he has special responsibility for the fields of criminology; juvenile (penal) law, corrections, and penal procedure and is director of the University's Institute of Criminology.

## Eija Laihinen



Eija Laihinen, born in Turku, Finland, is at present a Planning Officer with the City of Helsinki. She graduated from Kastu High School in 2003 and progressed to university in Helsinki. Her studies there included a year studying geography at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich (2006-7). Whilst also working as an Information Advisor in the Virka Info office in Helsinki, Ms. Laihinen completed work on her Master's Thesis, entitled "All kinds of Folk" - A Study of Safety Concerns in the Neighbourhoods of Helsinki" (in Finnish), graduating in 2009 with an M.Sc. in Regional Studies from the University of Helsinki. She subsequently took the post of Planning Officer at the City of Helsinki, in its Administration Centre/Safety and Preparedness Coordinating Division. In this role, her responsibilities have recently included organisation of the international seminar "Helsinki 2010 International Seminar on Urban Safety. Sense on Safety - A Success Factor for a Vibrant City", due to take place in Helsinki 20th-22nd October, 2010.

## Michel Marcus



Michel Marcus is Executive Director of the European Forum for Urban Security. After having occupied positions of judicial and civil Judge in Lille and Paris, as well as being administrator for the French Ministry of Justice, he has since 1982 participated in the building of French prevention and safety policy, within urban policies. He co-drafted the 1983 Bonnemaïson Report on "Prevention, repression, solidarity". In 1987, he founded the European Forum for Urban Security, a network and think tank gathering more than 300 local authorities, whose expertise in the fields of prevention and local security policies is recognized by European institutions. Mr Marcus is also co founder and Secretary of the International Centre for Crime Prevention (located in Montreal).

## Erich Marks



Erich Marks was born in 1954 in Bielefeld, Germany. He studied Educational Theory, Philosophy and Psychology at the University of Bielefeld with a scholarship of the Friedrich Ebert Foundation. In 1980 he graduated in Educational Theory and attained the academic title of *Diplompädagoge*. Thereafter, Erich Marks held fulltime offices in various institutions such as Help for Young People “Brücke Köln” (1980 - 1983), Federal Association for Social Work, Penal Law and Crime Policy - DBH (1983 - 2001) and the Foundation German Crime Prevention - DFK (2001 - 2002). Since 2001 he has been working as Executive Director of the Council for Crime Prevention in the Lower Saxony Ministry of Justice. Erich Marks has filled a number of Voluntary Offices. Among others Executive Director of the German Prevention Conference (DPT) and the German Foundation for the Prevention of Crime (DVS), member of the Board of Directors of the International Centre for the Prevention of Crime (ICPC), and chairman of the Foundation pro Kind.

## Paula Miraglia



Paula Miraglia is a Brazilian social scientist who holds a PhD in Social Anthropology from the University of Sao Paulo. She is currently the Director General of the International Centre for the Prevention of Crime - ICPC, based in Montreal. Previously, Paula has been the Executive Director of the Brazilian office of ILANUD - United Nations Latin American Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the treatment of offenders.

Her professional and academic interests for the past ten years are concentrated in themes related to urban violence, prevention and justice.

## Gilles Nicolas



Following a career spanning more than thirty years in the Police Nationale, Mr. Nicolas joined the team of the Socialist Mayor and MP, Mr. Jean-Marc Ayrault, during the municipal elections of March 2008. He has since been Deputy to the Mayor of Nantes, responsible for Public Order and Civil Security. During his professional career, he was with the Interior Ministry between 1997 and 2000, where he implemented the creation of the role of ‘Adjoint de Sécurité’ (Security Assistant) within the Police Nationale, with 20,000 employed. Nantes is France’s sixth city, with a population of more than 270,000. The city recently signed a Local Security Contract with the State.

## Giorgio Pighi



Giorgio Pighi is the Mayor of Modena and President of the Italian Forum for Urban Security. He studied law at the University of Modena, graduating with honours with a thesis on “Juvenile deviance and criminal process”. He teaches Criminal Policy, Prison Law, and Constitutional Law at the University of Modena and at the Military Academy of Modena. Along with academic activities, Mr. Pighi has always pursued professional activity, even when, in the 90s, he also accepted the demands of political commitment. His years on the City Council, and his professional experience and research, as well as his passion for politics led him to offer his experience to the city: he was elected Mayor of Modena in 2004, reconfirmed in June 2009. After serving as Vice President of the European Forum for Urban Security, in June 2008 he became President of the Italian Forum for Urban Security.

## Guilherme Pinto



Guilherme Pinto is the President of the Portuguese Forum for Urban Security and Mayor of Matosinhos (Portugal). He is also Vice-President of the Porto Metropolitan Area; President of the Matosinhos Habit Administration Council (Municipal Enterprise). Formerly a lawyer, he has been a Member of the National Assembly; Vice-President of the City Hall of Matosinhos; a member of the European Sustainable Cities and Towns Campaign representing the ACR+ Association of Cities and Regions for Recycling and Sustainable Resource Management; secondary school teacher; Municipal Deputy; member of the Socialist Party Studies Cabinet.

## Martin Schairer



Martin Schairer is a jurist, legal expert and academic author. He studied law at Tübingen University, followed by a period as an academic assistant. In 1982, Dr Schairer became a magistrate and prosecutor at the Stuttgart District Magistrate's Court and from 1985 to 1987, the Justice Ministry observer to the Baden-Württemberg State-Representation in Bonn. He was press-officer for several Justice Ministers (1988 -1993). From 1993 to 1999, he was head of the criminal process division and deputy-manager of the criminal law department at the Justice Ministry of Baden-Württemberg. Subsequently, he was chief of police in Stuttgart (1999-2006). Since 2006, he is the deputy mayor of Stuttgart for Law, Security and Order. He represents the C.D.U. on the Stuttgart Council and is a member of the party's police work-group. He is the chairman of the Legal and Constitutional Board of the Council of Baden-Württemberg Cities and member of the Council of German Cities' Legal and Constitutional Board.

## Peter Squires



Peter Squires is a Professor of Criminology and Public Policy at the University of Brighton. His main research interests have included community safety and surveillance, youth crime, anti-social behaviour, violence, gangs and weapon-related offending - and policing. He has published work on these areas including: Community Safety (Policy Press, 2006); Rougher Justice: Anti-Social Behaviour and Young People (Willan, 2005); and ASBO Nation (Policy Press, 2008). His most recent book, Shooting to Kill? Policing, Firearms and Armed response (Wiley/Blackwell, 2010) critically explores the development of armed response policy and practice within the British police.

## Michela Tassistro



Born in Genoa, Italy, Michela Tassistro is at present a councillor on her hometown's City Council. Her other professional roles include a position in the administrative central office of the Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR, National Research Council), where she oversees the budgeting of large-scale scientific endeavours and maintains important links between the CNR its various national and international partners. Furthermore, she is the local assistant to Sergio Cofferati, MEP, for whom she manages meetings, organises local political events on European themes, prepares visits to the European Parliament and generally maintains networks with his collaborators. She is also a member of the Administrative and Finance Committee of the Synchrotron Radiation Facility in Grenoble and until recently Member of the Cecam (Central Européen de Calcul Atomique et Moléculaire). Ms. Tassistro has held a seat on the Genoa City Council since 2007, with her term running to 2012.

## Stephan Voß



Stephan Voß is the Director of the Berlin State Commission on Violence. His academic training is in sociology, having studied at Freiburg and Berlin (1973-1981). This was followed by a period of training as a gas and water installation mechanic. From 1985 to 1992, Mr Voß was a training supervisor and teacher with the Durchbruch e.V., Berlin. In 1992, he began his engagement with the Sozialpädagogischen Institutes Berlin (SPI, Social Education Institute, Berlin) as an advisor to the action programme against aggression and violence of the German Ministry for Families, Seniors, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ) (1992-1996) and as the director of the clearing house, alongside the youth welfare service and the police (1993-1994). From 1995 to 1996 he was the Director of the Youth Section of the SPI and in 1996 he became Director of the Berlin State Commission on Violence, a post he holds to this day.

## Irvin Waller



Irvin Waller is a Full Professor of Criminology at the University of Ottawa and Vice-President of the International Organization for Victim Assistance. He has 40 years of prize-winning, worldwide work in government, with governments and outside governments to prevent crime, reduce the over-reliance on cops, courts and corrections, and empower victims. He was President of the World Society of Victimology, founding CEO of the International Centre for Prevention of Crime affiliated with the United Nations and founding CEO of the Institute for Crime Prevention at Ottawa University. His contributions have been recognized by governments in Europe and North America as well as international non-governmental organisations. He is the author of *Less Law, More Order: The Truth about Reducing Crime*, available in 5 languages. His views on how governments can prevent violence, with means other than more police and prisons are being listened to and adopted by governments. He is working on a sequel on crime victim rights to empower voters to get politicians to change the way justice is administered from more punishment to more respect, truth and safety.

## Harald Weilnböck



Dr Harald Weilnböck's areas of scientific expertise are culture and media studies, qualitative-empirical social and psychotherapy research, and interdisciplinary narratology. He practices as psychotherapist, institutional councilor and team/ case supervisor. He received his Ph.D. in culture studies, completed training as research psychoanalyst at UCLA/ the Southern California Psychoanalytic Institute, undertook group-analytic training in Heidelberg and joined a DFG-project researching media-interaction and biographical development. His tenure qualification ('Habilitation') was gained at Leipzig University, on culture, media, psychotherapy and culture teaching (the 'Group-Analytic Reading Seminar'). He is currently working on the EU research project 'Media interaction as trauma therapy' at Zurich University, employing methods of biography studies and qualitative psychology. On behalf of 'Violence Prevention Network', he is conducting the EU-project 'Towards Preventing Violent Radicalisation' (London Probation, EU-Directorate 'Justice'). At 'Cultures Interactive', Berlin, he is conducting the EU research project 'Cultural and media interaction as means of preventing adolescent violence and extremism'.

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## EFUS SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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**Innovative Strategies To Prevent Re-offending  
Wandering Young People: The Conditions For Return  
Cities Against Terrorism  
Security & Democracy  
Saragossa Manifesto**

**Forthcoming:  
CCTV Charter**

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## EFUS' NEWS

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**May, 27th -28th 2010 :  
Conference «Citizens, Cities and Video-Surveillance» - Rotterdam, Netherlands**

**February, 23rd -25th 2010:  
DC&D II Final Conference**

**Focus on :**

The European project “Towards a European Master in Urban Safety” is an initiative of EFUS and six partner universities to create a new training opportunities at the Master level for the professions of Urban Security and Crime Prevention which will be presented in September 2010 in Toulouse. Already find more information on this initiative under :

[www.masterinurbansecurity.eu](http://www.masterinurbansecurity.eu)

**Focus on :**

The project “Citizens, Cities and Video Surveillance” is deliberating and exchanging practices of video surveillance respecting fundamental rights. As the result of this exchange partner cities have developed recommendations in the form of a charter for the democratic use of CCTV in European cities :

[www.cctvcharter.eu](http://www.cctvcharter.eu)

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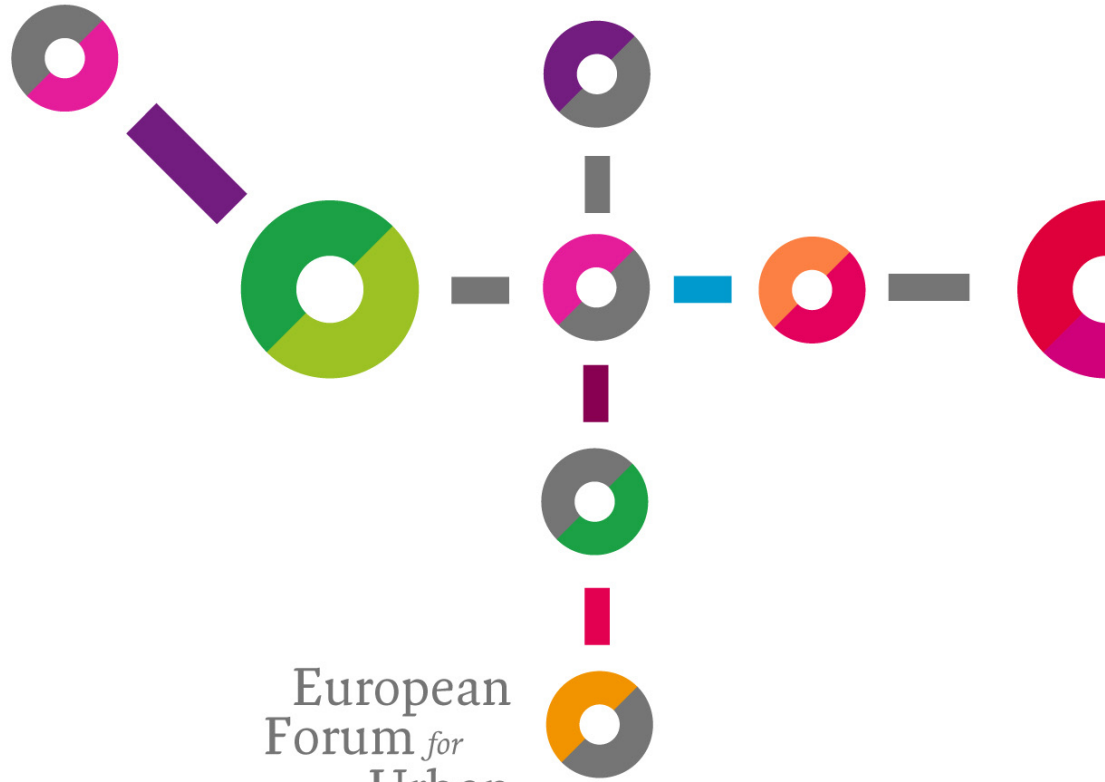
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