CONFERENCE

Crime in the EU
What challenges to security and liberty?
Key findings from EU funded social sciences and humanities research projects

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Centre for European Policy Studies
Place du Congrès 1, Brussels
Conference Room
PRESENTATION AND OBJECTIVES

The Stockholm Programme – An open and secure Europe serving and protecting citizens – sets out the EU priorities for the development of an area of justice, freedom and security (AFSJ) for the period 2010-14. With the aim of constructing ‘a Europe that protects’, the Programme called for the development of an ‘Internal Security Strategy’ (ISS) offering a set of common policies, legislation and practical cooperation to deal with phenomena considered to be ‘common trans-national threats’ in the EU such as ‘serious and organized crime’.

The EU’s ISS, formally adopted by the Council in February 2010 under the auspices of the Spanish Presidency, provides the overall EU security agenda for the next years. According to the ISS “serious and organized crime is of increasing importance” and represents one of the main challenges for the internal security of the EU. In November 2010 with a Communication titled “The EU Internal Security Strategy in Action: Five steps towards a more secure Europe” the Commission proposed a set of specific actions for the ISS implementation.

This event is jointly organized by the Justice and Home Affairs Section at the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) and the Directorate-General for Research and Innovation (European Commission). The meeting aims at exploring synergies between the findings of social science and humanities research projects – funded under the “European Research on Crime and Deviance” in the 6th and 7th Framework Programmes of DG Research and Innovation (European Commission) – and current EU policy agenda on security. This event which brings together academics, researchers, policy-makers and representatives of EU level civil society, will also provide the opportunity to have a genuine exchange of views and a pluralistic debate on the challenges posed by crime and EU security policy on fundamental rights and freedoms.
12.00 – 13.00  REGISTRATION AND LUNCH

13.00 – 13.15:  WELCOME PANEL

- Chair: Sergio Carrera, CEPS
- Philippe Keraudren, Deputy head of Unit "Social Sciences & Humanities", DG RTD, European Commission
- Manuela Alfé, DG RTD, European Commission, Setting the scene: a review of EU funded research on crime and deviance


- Chair: Sergio Carrera, CEPS
- Grzegorz Gajewski, DG HOME, European Commission
- Jan Philipp Albrecht, MEP, European Parliament
- Adriano Varrica and Ottavio Marzocchi, Advisors of ALDE MEP Sonia Alfano, European Parliament
- Péter Stauber, Chair Working party on General matters, Council of Ministers of EU

Discussant: Natacha Kazatchkine, Amnesty International

15.00 – 15.15:  COFFEE BREAK

15.15 – 16.45:  SESSION I. Crime as a threat for society and policy tools for measuring crime

- Chair: Angela Liberatore, DG RTD, European Commission
- Ernesto Savona, Università Cattolica del S. Cuore di Milano, Organized crime and prevention
- Massimo Merlino, CEPS, Challenges of security policies and criminalization of migration in the EU
- Roger Bowles, University of York, Measuring cost of crime
- Mike Hough, Birkbeck, University of London, Designing reliable indicators – trust in justice

Discussant: Ian Perry, DG RTD, European Commission
 Marcelo Aebi, University of Lausanne (CH)
16.45 – 17.00: COFFEE BREAK

17.00-18.00: CONCLUDING SESSION: Future priorities for social sciences research in the field of crime and corruption in Europe

- **Chair: Manuela Alfé**, DG RTD, European Commission
- **Ernesto Savona**, Università Cattolica del S. Cuore di Milano
- **Sophie Body-Gendrot**, Université de la Sorbonne-Paris IV
- **Angelos Giannakopoulos** and **Dirk Tanzler**, University of Konstanz