Designed for all ILEAnet Community members, this newsletter presents up-to-date regular topics and ad hoc items.

ILEAnet Public Workshop 3 – in partnership with Frontex

The third ILEAnet Public Workshop was dedicated to Innovative technologies for border management and occurred online from 3-5 November 2020. This event, organized in partnership with Frontex, was a real success in terms of participation (150 participants from 24 countries), quality of the presentations (8 projects in the security area shared their technological initiatives) and level of discussions! ILEAnet is very thankful to all our partners, and in particular our INCs (ILEAnet National Contacts) who were instrumental in the communication campaign in their respective countries.

Projects invited:

You can find a summary of the event on Frontex’ page. Stay tuned on LinkedIn as well and find out the post of Frontex about the workshop!

61,1% LEAs 15,3% Researchers 14,5% Others 9,2% Industrials
Following the event, a satisfaction questionnaire was sent to the participants. See below the feedback on the event:

**Quantitative indicators:**

![Quantitative Indicators](image)

The 8th project, AW DRONES, had technical issues during its presentation and therefore is not listed in the poll. However, their recorded presentation was later sent to the participants.

**Qualitative indicators:**

![Qualitative Indicators](image)

All the resources presentations, videos are available on the ILEAnet platform for the use of the registered participants.
The University of Applied Sciences for Public Services in Bavaria’s (HföD) Department of Policing has recently taken over the role of ILEAnet’s German partner. The Department of Policing is located in Fürstenfeldbruck and in Sulzbach Rosenberg. Every year about 400 students start their training for the third qualification level of policing in Bavaria. HföD works closely with the Ministry of the Interior and the Police Departments in Bavaria to bridge the gap between theory and practice and to meet the needs of police officers and citizens, alike. HföD collaborates with the police academy in Bulgaria within Erasmus projects, maintains a partnership with the police academy in Bucharest, Romania, a partnership with the police academy in Prague, Czech Republic and a further partnership with the University for Policing in Poland.

HföD’s inter-disciplinary research team examines various policing-related issues including cybercrime, radicalisation, extremism and terrorism and provides timely insights into these matters. Those may be shared with Police Departments and other government agencies. Since 2012 HföD has participated in national and international research projects with a focus on the above-mentioned issues. Other than ILEAnet HföD is presently part of 14 research projects and coordinates two of them, PROPHETS and DroneWISE. Since this summer/autumn HföD has been involved in three new EU projects, namely INFINITY, DARLENE and – in its above-mentioned role as coordinator – DroneWISE. Moreover, HföD has also started its involvement in a new federal project, named FINANTIA.

ILEAnet preliminary reviews identified a variety of challenges and needs around age determination processes in the context of migration that might be efficiently and effectively 'solved' through a collaboration between industry, academics and LEAs inside a RDI project to develop age determination tools and approaches. This study is therefore launched within ILEAnet’s framework by one of its French partners, the French National Police Academy (hereafter “ENSP”).
For more information, find English and French versions of the call for tenders here:

- on the French Public Procurement Platform, entering the tender’s profile "ENSP-CDR-MP0121" [https://www.marches-publics.gouv.fr](https://www.marches-publics.gouv.fr)
* the platform will send you back to the French public procurement platform, but you will find all the tender documents translated in English!

### PROJECT’S Update – Network Animation

In order to strengthen the ILEAnet network, the coordination team took the time to interview the ILEAnet National Contacts (INCs). The individual interviews aimed to listen to the expectations of the partners and to collect their ideas for a better collaboration within the network. Many ideas were suggested, the top ones being the perpetuation of webinars and other topic-specific online events.

ILEAnet is not working only with LEAs: scientists and researchers are one of the project’s cornerstones and they were part of the interviewees. A key question that was discussed was the means to boost ILEAnet’s attractiveness towards that community. The interviews with INCs and ILEAnet’s scientific referents brought solutions, by reminding the federating and promoting capabilities of ILEAnet as the project already connects LEAs and researchers. Furthermore, ILEAnet can build on the ongoing tender activities that can make LEAs and scientists work together to deepen LEAs’ needs.

**Mapping of ILEAnet scientific referents**

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The ILEAnet Scientific Referents are contact points for Security Research in their respective country. They are able to provide insights in terms of projects, initiatives, practices and resources, at a national level.

Do not hesitate to consult the page dedicated to the coordination on the project’s platform: https://ileanet.sym.place/groups/profile/212393/ileanet-scientific-coordination

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**CALENDAR AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **26/11/2020** Community of Users “Fight against crime and terrorism” (CoU FCT) workshop on the involvement of practitioners in research projects [https://www.securityresearch-cou.eu/node/9218](https://www.securityresearch-cou.eu/node/9218)
- **03/12/2020** ILEAnet’s Monthly Steering Committee Teleconference
- **10/12/2020** ILEAnet’s Monthly INCs Teleconference
- **14/12/2020** ILEAnet virtual brainstorming: How to improve law enforcement practitioners involvement in security research projects? [Registration](#)
- **15/01/2021** ILEAnet’ Strategic Review (with the European Commission)
- **17/12/2020** ILEAnet’s Monthly Steering Committee Teleconference

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If you have any question or if you want to share information with the community feel free to contact us: ileanet-coordination@eurtd.com