

## NEWSLETTER #17

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

**SAVE THE DATE! Invitation to the Roborder project webinar**

**30 March 2021, 12H30-13H30 (CET)**



ROBORDER is an H2020 funded project which aims to support LEA border investigations through the development of an autonomous border surveillance system utilising unmanned technologies that can effectively monitor all types of land and sea borders.

The project is now coming to the end of its development cycle and is moving into the final demonstration phase. As a result, the technology is ready for presentation to practitioners who may have an interest in deploying the final solution in their organisation.

This webinar will provide an opportunity for practitioners to have a conversation with the developers, review the technology, and obtain answers to key organisational questions such as deployment conditions/constraints, training requirements, technology cost, etc.

**All are welcome to attend this event. However, this webinar would be most suited to border guard authority decision makers and those who use/deploy border technologies in their organisation.**

For registration, please contact [ensp-ileanet@interieur.gouv.fr](mailto:ensp-ileanet@interieur.gouv.fr). Further information will be provided when registering.

### PROJECT'S Update – Meeting ILEAnet's new Project Officer

On January 15<sup>th</sup>, the ILEAnet team presented the project to its new Project Officer: **Laure GUILLE**. Indeed, Nada MILISAVLJEVIC (Innovation and Industry for Security, DG Home), the project officer since its beginning in June 2017, turned ILEAnet over to Mrs GUILLE (REA – Research Executive Agency). This meeting was an opportunity for the team to make a joint presentation on the various activities carried out in the project and to demonstrate a good cooperation dynamic between ILEAnet's partners.



ILEAnet noted a very positive feedback from Mrs MILISAVLJEVIC on the initiatives and achievements of ILEAnet in the EU context for security R&I. The enriching discussion the team had with Mrs GUILLE outlined the expectations of the new Project Officer.



The next meeting with the European Commission will be the project's review in June-July 2021. ILEAnet will go on conducting its activities taking into account the perspective of the European Commission.

## PROJECT'S Update – Europol questionnaire



ILEAnet is developing its collaboration with Europol through a number of initiatives. The first joint work has been the exploration of an important topic for the European law enforcement community: **predictive policing tools**.

*What is predictive policing?*

Predictive policing means the use of algorithms to **forecast the probability of crime and anticipate emerging trends and patterns to inform crime prevention and intervention strategies**. Tools in this area generally aim to either 'predict' crimes or 'predict' which individuals will either commit or be victims of crimes.

The Europol Innovation Laboratory wished to carry out an informal and preliminary survey in order to obtain a first indicative **overview of the practices of European national law enforcement agencies in the field of predictive policing**. The results of the survey could later be used to inform the future work of the Europol Innovation Laboratory.



ILEAnet **supported the study by inviting practitioners and academic partners of its network to participate**. Scientific work on the subject is essential to understand how these tools are developed and implemented in the law enforcement environment.

The data collection of the survey ended on 15 February. Many thanks to all those who participated!

## PROJECT'S Update – Launch of the ILEAnet scientific newsletter dedicated to the security research activities



We are pleased to announce the launch of the first **scientific newsletter** of the project. Can a law enforcement officer also be a researcher? How can research be embedded in the operational world of law enforcement? ILEAnet has launched the scientific newsletter which **bridges these two universes!**

The bi-monthly newsletter aims at **promoting** the work of European researchers, **raising awareness** about security research among the law enforcement community, and **fostering discussion and exchanges between researchers and LEAs**.



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The newsletter includes several sections:

- an interview of a researcher working in security area (LEA, PhD students, ...),
- a recent bibliographical selection of scientific and technical resources related to the four main themes of the ILEAnet project (cybersecurity, terrorism, organized crime and migration),
- and tools and tips for researchers in order to help and support them in their scientific production and monitoring missions.

Discover the scientific newsletter on the scientific coordination page of the ILEAnet platform: <https://ileanet.sym.place/groups/profile/212393/ileanet-scientific-coordination> and **feel free to share it with your network.**

*We remind you that the scientific coordination page is open to all ILEAnet members, so **do not hesitate to join the group** to get up to date information about the scientific activities carried out in the project.*

## QUESTIONS OF THE MONTH



**A question, an information to communicate to ILEAnet members? Do not hesitate to post or answer a message on the platform**

### **Evaluation of the action of LEAs by local authorities !**

By the French INC Thomas Fressin

« The Gendarmerie research center (France) is currently interested in the evaluation of the action of LEAs by local authorities (by whom, how, in what form, how often, ...).

If you wish to share your knowledge on this subject with us, I am interested. »

Thank you in advance for your contributions.

<https://ileanet.sym.place/questions/view/262481/evaluation-of-the-action-of-leas-by-local-authorities>

### **What innovative technology could be developed as part of a European project?**

By the French Interior Ministry

« The French Ministry of Interior is currently thinking about an innovative technology which could be developed in a European project.

One of the activities of the judiciary police is to place geo-tracking and sound systems on the cars for people involved in court cases. However, this is very complex when cars are equipped with systems (such as connected alarms, electronic opening, etc.) able to detect external operations. This is why the French Ministry of Interior would like to change its practices. Our questions:

Is the ILEAnet community aware of similar projects or practices?

Are there law enforcement agencies interested in the new project? »

Many thanks for your responses.

<https://ileanet.sym.place/questions/view/257358/what-innovative-technology-could-be-developed-as-part-of-a-european-project>



## CALENDAR AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- **23/02/2021** [CERIS workshop on Domestic violence](#)
- **25/02/2021** [CERIS workshop on the Protection of Public Spaces](#)
- **09/03/2021** [Security & Policing – The Official UK Government global security event](#)
- **11/03/2021** Meeting of the INCs
- **30/03/2021** [Roborder project Webinar](#)



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