

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

COVID-19 and ILEAnet

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Dear all,

Given the dramatic circumstances we are going through, I wanted to introduce this new issue of the ILEAnet newsletter with a few words.

As you may suspect, an important part of the newsletter is dedicated to the COVID-19 situation: be it an overview of European publications on the subject or a reference to the bibliographical lists developed by the ILEAnet Scientific Coordination. Concerning the management of the ILEAnet project, the most pressing news regards the postponement of the Public Workshop on “Identification & control of irregular migration through modern technologies” which was initially planned in May. New dates have been found and the event will finally take place on 4 and 5 November 2020. I’m happy to confirm that it has received the support from FRONTEX and will be joined by several FRONTEX experts.

You will also find in this spring issue some recurrent features as well as a focus on security initiatives conducted in Latvia. I can only encourage the other partners of the project to also send information from their country for the coming newsletters and further contribute to making ILEAnet a vibrant community. To that regard, I would like to highlight a number of initiatives launched by the ILEAnet Community Manager. They include the setting-up of a monitoring system and generation of a weekly scientific and technical bibliography on security and technology aspects related to COVID-19, the integration and enhancement of the bibliographical elements via the project’s Knowledge Factory and social networks, and the solicitation of ILEAnet National Contacts to relay the information and initiatives carried out in their country.

Wishing you all healthy and safe, I hope that you will take an interest in reading this newsletter.

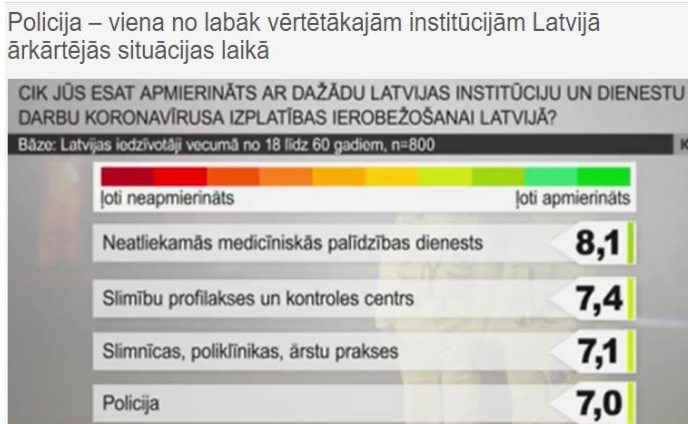
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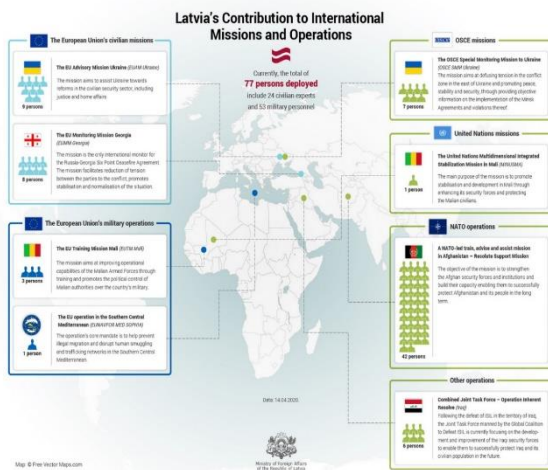
Feedback on COVID management in Latvia

The company "KANTAR" <https://www.tnsglobal.com> arranged research/questionnaire in Latvia asking people to inform how they evaluate the work of different authorities/institutions/ agencies during COVID-10 pandemic. Research done on 14 April 2020. The Latvia Police was among the most highly evaluated institutions and got 4th place with 7,0 points (out of 10). On the 1st place is – Medical Emergency Service with 8,1 points; 2nd – is Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (CDPC) of Latvia with 7,4 points and on the 3rd place- Hospitals, Ambulances, General Practitioners with 7,1 points.



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Latvia extends the participation of its five civilian experts to the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine



The OSCE Special Monitoring Mission (SMM) to Ukraine was deployed on 21 March 2014 to monitor the implementation of the Minsk agreements and to promote peace and security in the conflict zone. Latvian civilian experts have been participating in the mission since its beginning. In view of the international role of the mission, it is important to ensure it works also during the COVID-19 pandemic.

To ensure the functioning of international missions during the COVID-19 pandemic, civilian experts are performing their duties at the office, in the field and remotely via telework arrangements.

https://www.mfa.gov.lv/images/uploads/infografiki/lv_misijas_2020-04-eng.jpg



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Baltic and Nordic Foreign Ministers underline the importance of regional cooperation in an exit strategy for the COVID-19 crisis



On 8 April 2020, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Edgars Rinkēvičs, took part in a video conference of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the Baltic and Nordic countries (NB8), in which opinions were shared on the current situation and preventative measures to be taken in coping with COVID-19 as well as regional cooperation in an exit strategy for the crisis.

<https://www.mfa.gov.lv/en/news/latest-news/65826-baltic-and-nordic-foreign-ministers-underline-the-importance-of-regional-cooperation-in-an-exit-strategy-for-the-covid-19-crisis>



EUROPE

Following the Covid-19 health crisis that we are living through, here is a selection of some documents produced by the European Union:

- ➔ Communication: joint communication to the European parliament , the Council, the European economic and social committee and the regions. Communication on the Global EU response to COVID-19

https://ec.europa.eu/international-partnerships/system/files/joint-comm-2020-eu-global-response_en.pdf

- ➔ eHealth Network Mobile applications to support contact tracing in the EU's fight against COVID-19. Common EU Toolbox for Member States

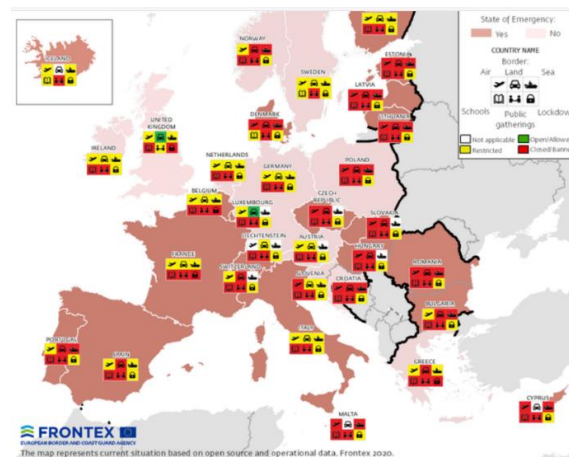
https://ec.europa.eu/health/sites/health/files/ehealth/docs/covid-19_apps_en.pdf

- ➔ EC information, Joint European Roadmap towards lifting COVID-19 containment measures

https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/communication_-_a_european_roadmap_to_lifting_coronavirus_containment_measures_0.pdf

- ➔ FRONTEX - COVID-19 Restrictions:

In response to COVID-19, national governments have introduced a series of restrictions to slow the spread of the virus. Below is a map showing various constraints implemented by countries across Europe



<https://frontex.europa.eu/media-centre/news-release/covid-19-restrictions-4ldY3J>



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NEW DATE for ILEAnet PUBLIC WORKSHOP #3

We are pleased to announce the new dates for the 3rd ILEAnet Public Workshop dedicated to:

“Identification & control of irregular migration through modern technologies”

- ➔ Registration of illegally entering third-country nationals
- ➔ Monitoring of pre-frontier areas
- ➔ Exploitation of public information system

The event will take place on 4-5 November 2020 in Warsaw, Poland. It's important that LEA practitioners are well represented to share best practices and discuss their innovation needs to the security research community for the control of irregular migration.



NEW DATE

4-5/11/2020

IDENTIFICATION & CONTROL OF IRREGULAR MIGRATION THROUGH MODERN TECHNOLOGIES

ILEANET PUBLIC WORKSHOP #3

WARSAW - POLAND

Registration:

Let your National ILEAnet Contact know about your interest (details can be found on the ILEAnet public website)!

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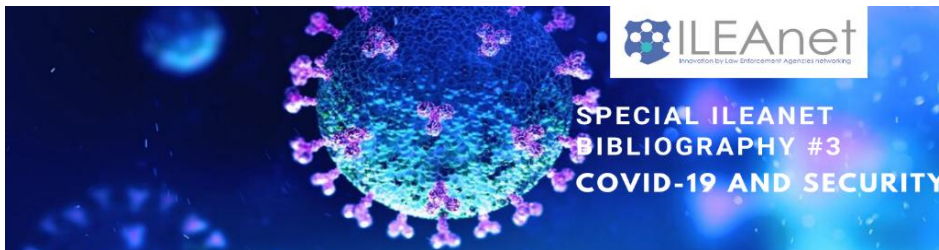


Are you a LEA practitioner, a solution provider or an academic dealing with illegal migration-related issues in your line of work? Would you be interested to participate to the third ILEAnet Public Workshop?

Please, keep 4-5 November 2020 in your diary and let your National ILEAnet Contact know about your interest (details can be found on the [ILEAnet public website](#))!

Registrations will start on **1 September 2020** and agenda will be communicated soon!

SECURITY AND CORANAVIRUS BIBLIOGRAPHY



The ILEAnet team offers you every week a bibliography focusing on safety and technology aspects related to the COVID--19 pandemic. Feel free to use them and share innovative ideas, news and tools in the knowledge factory which will be able to help partners.



Knowledge Factory ILEAnet

<https://ileanet.eurtd.com/groups/profile/109443/ileanet-knowledge-factory>



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ANIMATION

In this containment time let's stay connected! You can follow the news of the project via the platform but also via the ILEAnet Twitter account and the LinkedIn ILEAnet page. Feel free to connect, share and contribute to the project!



https://twitter.com/ILEAnet_project



<https://www.linkedin.com/company/23681199/admin/>

CALENDAR & EVENTS – SAVE THE DATES

- **14.04.2020** INCs TelCo
- **28.04.2020** SEREN4 H2020 Secure Societies Workshop, Training – Online event <https://seren4-h2020-sc7-2020-infoday.b2match.io>
- **12.05.2020** H2020 Secure Societies European Information day and brokerage event <https://seren4-h2020-sc7-2020-infoday.b2match.io>
- **25.05.2020** STEPWISE FSI Project - Online demonstration of the platform <https://www.stepwise-project.eu>



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



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