

Welcome to the CO-SECUR project!

Dear readers,

In a world where security concerns are ever-present, how do we ensure that **public spaces, especially during large events, feel safe for everyone?**

We are happy to provide you with the very first newsletter of the CO-SECUR project, which is all about actively involving citizens in developing innovative security solutions that make our public spaces safer and more welcoming.


In this newsletter, you will receive regular updates on the project's activities and outcomes, as well as interesting news, events and publications from other initiatives related to Research & Innovation for security.

What do we have for you in this edition?

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 Get involved!

Keep scrolling down to learn more!

Happy reading!

The CO-SECUR team

Did you receive this newsletter from someone else? Stay up to date on the latest developments in civil security and be part of the CO-SECUR community [→](#)

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CO-SECUR events

✓ EFUS conference | Date: 22-24 March 2024

We joined the **EFUS conference**, to discuss the major social, political and democratic challenged of urban security ahead of the European elections, and CO-SECUR was there! 💡

[Explore the insights.](#)

✓ Consortium meeting in Helsinki | Date: 4 - 5 June 2024

Under Helsinki's sunny skies the consortium came together for two days of discussions, reflection, and future planning. The quote **'Innovation operates between past experience and expectations of a better future'** perfectly capture the essence of the consortium meeting. [Find](#)

[out why!](#) ☀️

✓ Projects to Policy Seminar | Date: 25 June 2024

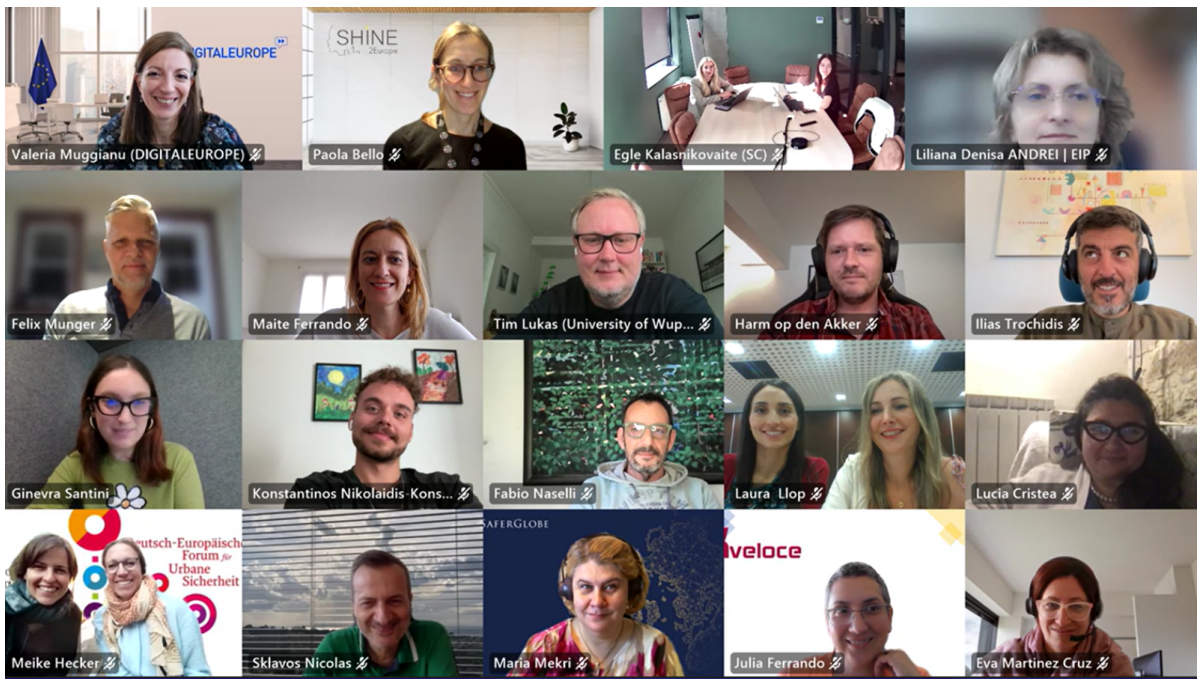
Every year, the European Research Executive Agency (REA) and DG HOME host the Projects to Policy Seminar (PPS), bringing together coordinators of new civil security projects. **We joined 32 Horizon Europe projects and explored collaborations** with AHEAD, DIREKTION, Engage2innovate, ENACT, and SHIELD4CROWD. ✨ [Check out the key highlights!](#)

✓ IcARUS final conference | Date: 25 - 26 June 2024

CO-SECUR attended the **IcARUS project final conference together with partners from 12 European countries**. We explored ways to drive social innovation in key areas like youth delinquency, radicalization, public space safety, and tackling trafficking and organized crime. [Want to know more?](#) 🗣️



Meet our Security Innovation Advisory Board



 **We are back from summer and ready to hit the ground running!**

Our online meeting in September gave us the energy boost we needed for the months ahead. So, what's coming up next? Kicking off with a consortium meeting in Portugal and plenty more exciting activities to come – stay tuned for updates!

And there's more – meet our Security Innovation Advisory Board 

Tim Lukas | Institute for Public Safety and emergency Management, University of Wuppertal

Felix Munger | Executive Director at the Canadian Centre for Safer Communities

Tina Silbernagl | GIZ Berlin, responsible for the commissioned Programmes: Dialogues for Urban Change, Cities for the Common Good as well as the Integrated Urban Development Programme

Nicolas Sklavos | Associate Professor SCYTAL Group, Computer Engineering and Informatics Engineering Dept., Polytechnic School, University of Patras, Hellas (Greece)

Fabio Naselli | PhD, Architect and Urbanist Consultant - Funder Director of SpaRe.Life

Eva Martinez Cruz | Expert in social innovation at ICONS Innovation Strategies

Opportunities: Use cases mapping

 Are you aware of a **national or regional initiative** that promotes security through social innovation?

 Do you know a **best practice of social innovation in security** that you want to share?

Let's collaborate!

 **Get involved!**



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