Community Based Policing and Post-Conflict Police Reform.

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Global threats (terrorism, drug and trafficking networks, etc.) often originate in conflict and post-conflict contexts where law and order is extremely challenging.

The international community and the EU spend billions to support police reform processes in post-conflict contexts. Conventional, top-down approaches have proven to be neither effective nor sustainable.

Community oriented policing (COP) is promising, but there remains a lack of in-depth understanding of police-community relationships in police reform assistance.
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OVERALL AIMS

Re-envision the **objectives** and **practices** of policing in post-conflict settings

Advance the **scholarly debate** on post-conflict issues

Develop police **education** and **training**

Influence the international **policy agenda**
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• What are the sources of security and insecurity in the communities? (resource conflicts, domestic violence, etc)

• What is the nature of police-community relations in each case?

• How has COP been implemented and by whom?

• What kinds of policing practices or other activities does it comprise?

• How has COP been institutionalized in national and international education, training and policy?
ICT4COP SET-UP

**15 INSTITUTIONS**
- 10 EUROPEAN
- 5 REGIONAL

**35 RESEARCHERS**
- Anthropologists
- Development Studies Researchers
- Lawyers
- Criminologists
- Political Scientists

**EXTENDED POLICE EXPERTS NETWORK**
- International Police
- National Police
- Police Educators
- Civil Society Experts

**STUDY REGIONS**
- SOUTH ASIA: Afghanistan, Pakistan
- AFRICA: South Sudan, Somalia, Kenya
- SOUTH EAST EUROPE: Kosovo, Serbia, Bosnia-Herzegovina
- CENTRAL AMERICA: Guatemala, El-Salvador, Nicaragua

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5 Tematic Work Groups

WP 2 Community-Based Policing in Comparison

WP 3 Technology Development

WP 4 Police Training and Education

WP 5 Youth Issues

WP 6 Gender Issues
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Police Training and Education

- Establish and coordinate a Police Experts Network with an advising role to the research project.

- Map existing COP training and education programs (case countries, and international and regional training institutions).

- Look into cultural differences within COP.

- Identify gaps in education, training and highlight good practices.

- Synthesize and disseminate recommendations related to the nature of police-community relations.
Reflections: Community based/oriented Policing.

- A philosophy of cooperation between police and community to identify and solve problems together.

- A philosophy that promotes organizational strategies, which support the systematic use of partnerships and problem solving techniques, to proactively address the immediate conditions that give rise to public safety issues, such as crime, social disorder, and fear of crime.

- A philosophy based on the community and police working together to identify and address issues of crime, safety, security and/or liability; whereas acting preventively and proactively.

- A partnership based, proactive community-oriented style of policing.
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ROOTED IN POLICE PRACTICE

• Link to police practice on two levels:

  • **Case country**: Direct studies of police-community relations
  • **International & EU**: Influence on police missions

• **Academic specialists** on security issues, policing and crime, criminology, and development

• Extended **Police Experts Network**:

  • **Civil society experts**
  • National and international police practitioners
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OBJECTIVES OF THE POLICE NETWORK

- Advice the research consortium on policing practices and security and justice sector reform
- Contribute to dissemination of research findings
- Exploit results by feeding into police training and education curriculum.
- Foster long-term cooperation between social research institutions and police training institutions
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STRUCTURE OF THE POLICE NETWORK

- Institutional responsibility: Norwegian Police University College (PHS)
- European Police Academies
- European National Policing Experts
- Case Country Police Academies
- Case Country National Policing Experts
- Regional & Inter-regional Police Partners
- Civil Society Representatives
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ONLINE FORUM

Police Expert's Online Forum

Welcome to the Police Expert's Online Forum, part of the ICT4COP project.

Discussion Area

COP - General Discussion

General discussion relating to community-oriented policing. All members of the network are automatically enrolled in this discussion. Members may enrol themselves any or all of the four regional discussion forums.

Regional Discussion Areas

- The Balkan Region
- The Central American Region
- The East African Region
- The South Asian Region
- International Organisations
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- COP - International Research
- COP - Counterterrorism
- Human Security
- ICT4Development
- General Police Reforms
- Workshop Preparation
- Afghanistan / Pakistan Region
- Balkan Region
- East African Region
- Other CoP Reports by Organisation
Course Database

These folders contain courses and training material from the ICT4COP focus countries / regions.

- ICT4COP Course Database
- The Balkan Region
- The Central American Region
- The East African Region
- Afghanistan / Pakistan
- International Organisations
Punjab; Pakistan, One exemple

- Training School Sargodha
- Training School Rawalpindi
- Training School Multan
- Training School Farooqabad
- Police College Lahore
- Police College Sihala
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• Thank you for your attention!

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