

The Police's Operating Environment in Finland

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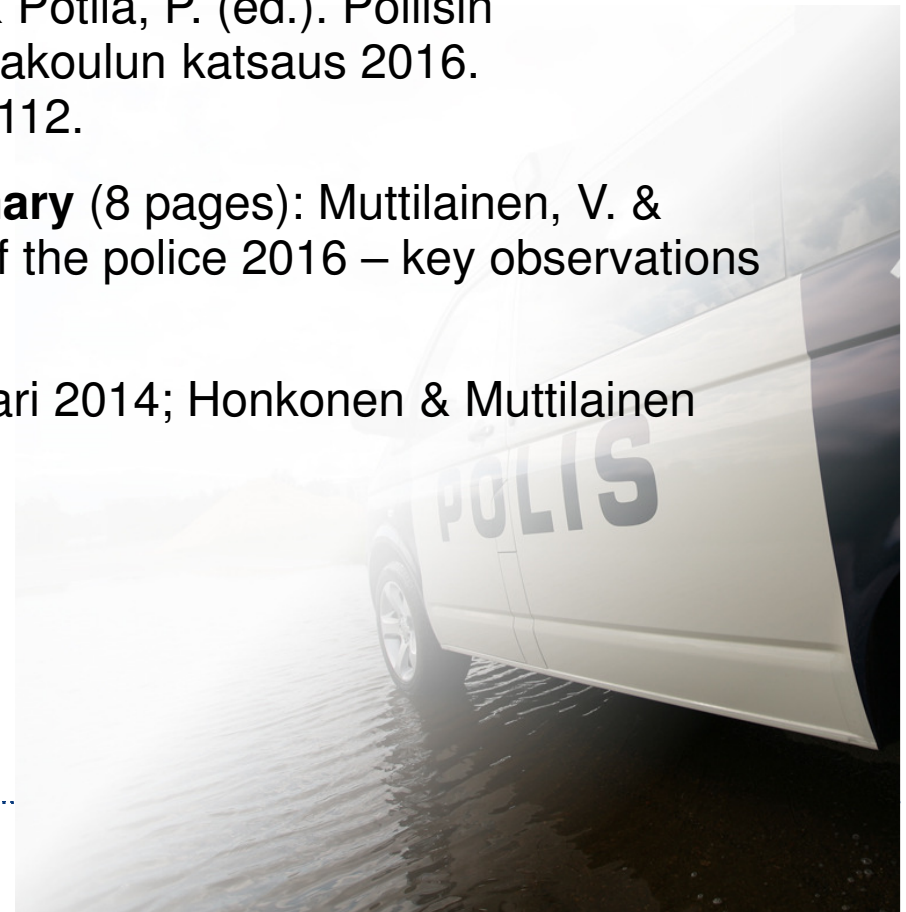
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Background

- This presentation gives an overview of the **Police's operating environment reviews** compiled by the Police University College
- **Forthcoming report:** Muttilainen, V. & Potila, P. (ed.). Poliisin toimintaympäristö. Poliisiammattikorkeakoulun katsaus 2016. Poliisiammattikorkeakoulun raportteja 112.
- The report includes an **English summary** (8 pages): Muttilainen, V. & Potila, P. The operating environment of the police 2016 – key observations and intersecting themes.
- **Previous reports:** Muttilainen & Huotari 2014; Honkonen & Muttilainen 2012 (also with English summary)



1 Introduction

Finnish police organisation

Ministry of the Interior

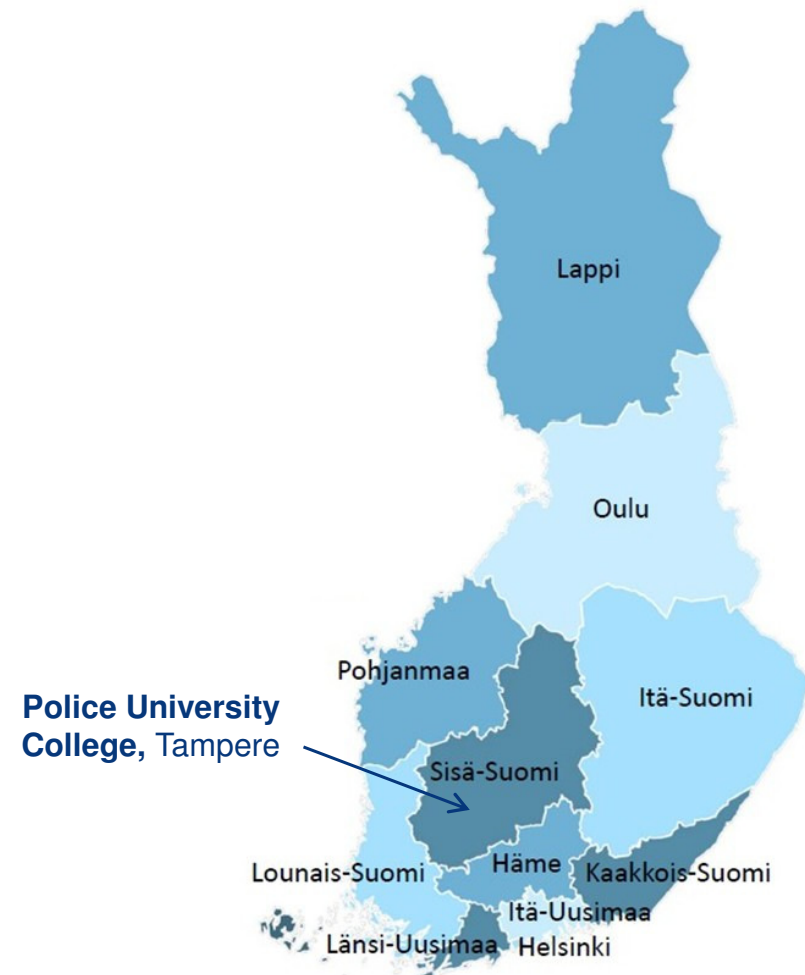
Strategic management, targets, budgeting, law drafting and international affairs (covering police, rescue, border guard, immigration services)

National Police Board

Directs, supervises, plans and develops policing nationally

Police Units

National Bureau of Investigation, Police University College, Local Police Departments



Purpose and materials

- Research and expert information to be used for the planning and development of **police operations, internal security and police training**
- The latest review comprises **nearly 30 articles** (5-8 pages each); all in all about 80 articles between 2012-2016
- **The authors** represent the Police University College, other universities and research institutions, the police administration, other areas administration
- Articles are **based on** research and statistics, other source material and experts' insights
- The articles are either **directly or indirectly** connected to policing



2 Content

Structure

I The framework for police operations

- 1 Challenges in public administration
- 2 International perspectives

II Police work and organization

- 3 Competence development
- 4 Development of training

III Policing

- 5 Surveillance and emergency response
- 6 Criminal investigation
- 7 Other areas of police operations

IV The police in society

- 8 Anticipation of security
- 9 Criminal phenomena
- 10 The police and citizens

Summary and reflection

complex problems, security architecture, police reforms, the EU's internal security

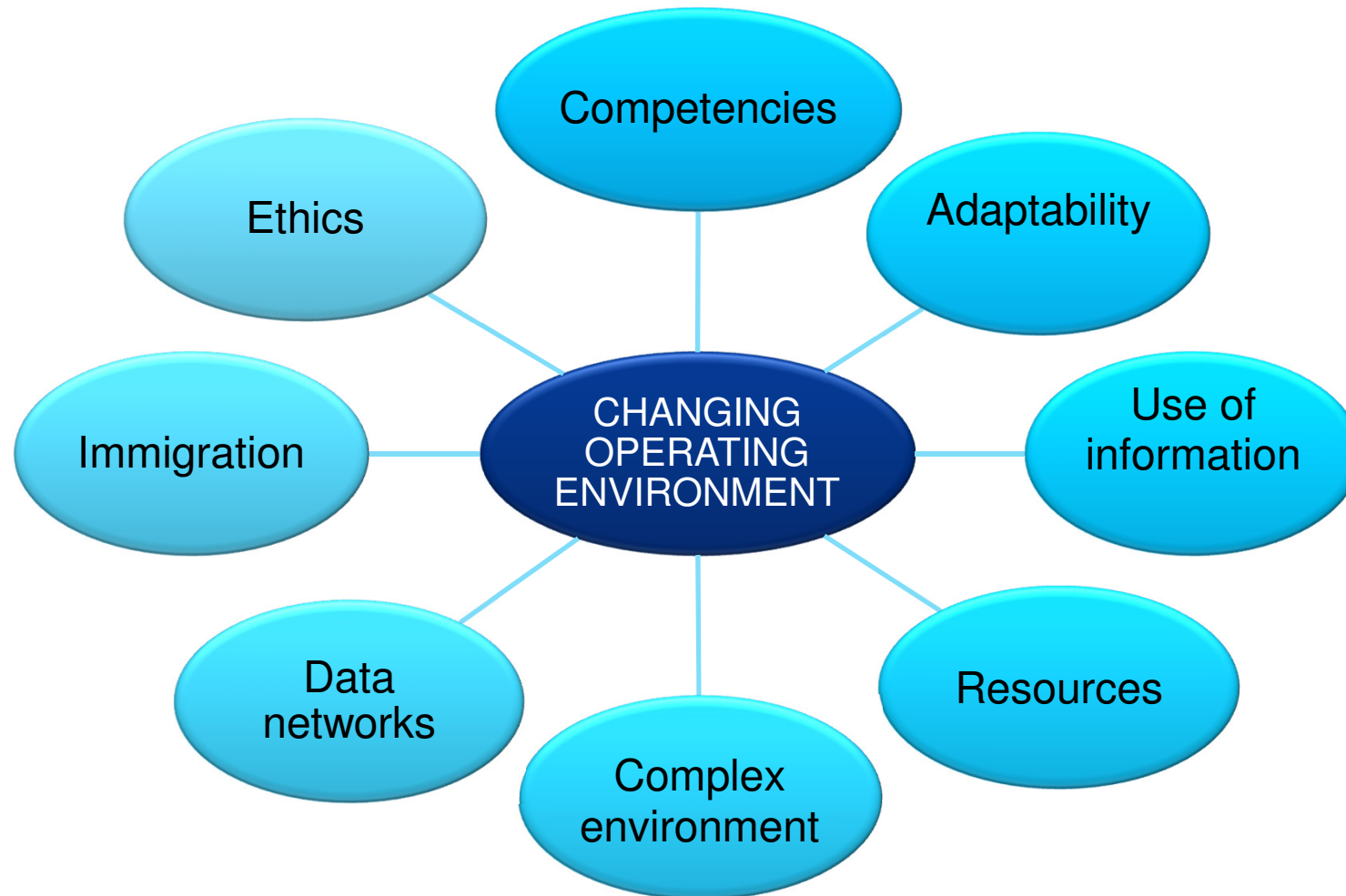
ethical leadership, intelligent-led policing, stress management, simulations, development work as thesis, learning through work

use of force, public order, domestic violence, secret information acquisition, economic crime investigation, sexual crime investigation, traffic safety, licence services, tactical negotiation

crime prevention model, campus safety, isolation of immigrants, hate crime, homicides, money laundering, mediation of criminal offences, citizen's assessments of the police

Reference: Mutttilainen, V. & Potila, P.: Poliisin toimintaympäristö. Poliisiammattikorkeakoulun katsaus 2016. Tampere: Poliisiammattikorkeakoulu, raportteja 125 (with English summary)

Intersecting themes: an overview



3 Results

Intersecting themes: external issues

1 Complex operating environment

- World is simultaneously more open and more interdependent. The operating environment of the police will also become more transparent.

2 Global data networks

- People use more services that are provided online. An increasing number of criminal offenses are committed in a network. Policing goes online.

3 New trends of immigration

- Mass immigration is a sudden and extensive phenomenon. We must develop competence, operation and cooperation suitable for various situations.

4 Slimming resources

- Police resources will be sufficient to cover fewer operations. This requires a new kind of thinking when specifying police duties and forms of cooperation.

3 Results

Intersecting themes: coping strategies

4 The ethical foundation of police work

- The police operate in society as an ethical role model. The importance of the rule of law is emphasized in demanding and exceptional conditions.

5 New competence to be used by the organization

- Continuous changes in organizations, legislation and tools, require a new kind of ability to learn and adapt. Most recent graduates possess new competence.

6 Adaptability to complex problems

- The challenges of the surrounding society that require resilience have been described, for example, as difficult to resolve, scalable, complex and hybrid.

7 Information accumulated to be taken into use

- The police could use more scientific information in order to develop competence, expertise, operative measures and intelligence-led policing.

4 Theoretical viewpoint

Police research vs. analysis work

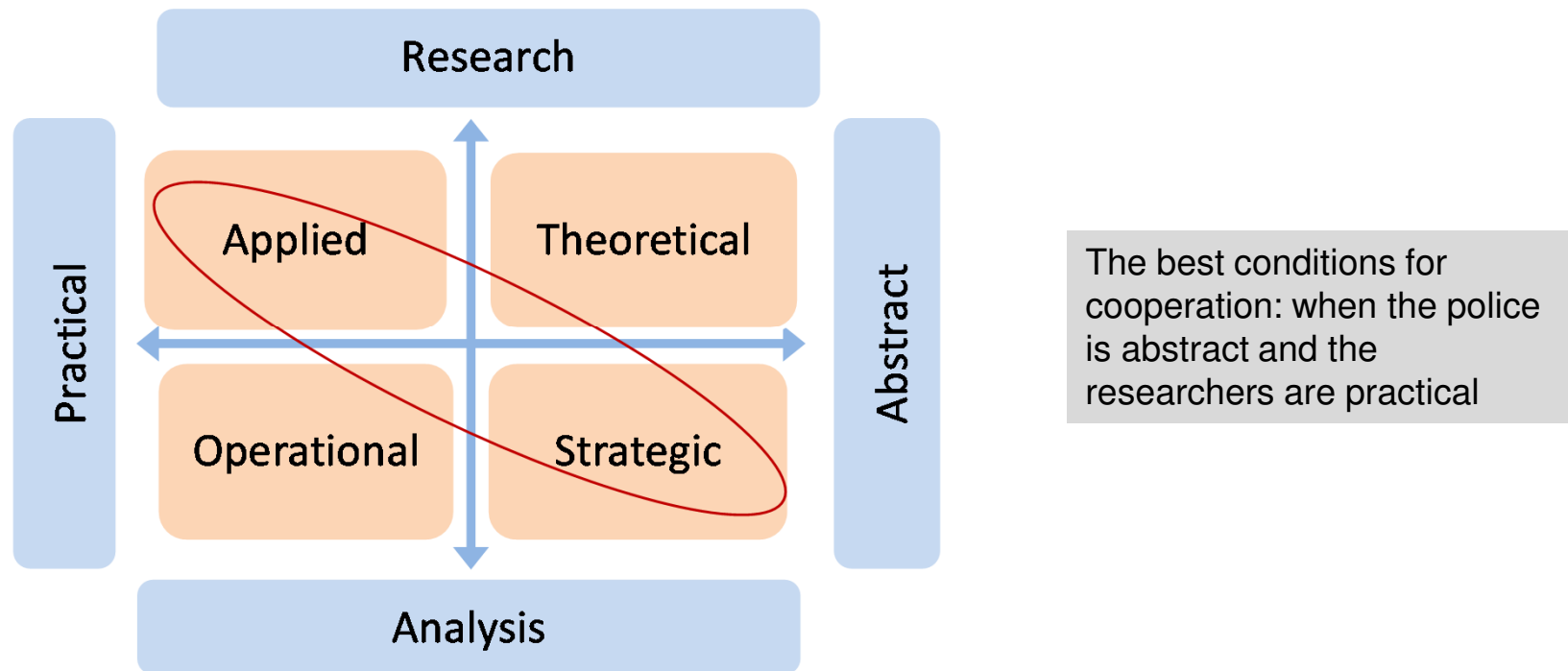


Figure 1. Conditions for cooperation between police research and analysis work

5 Final remarks

Evaluation and future plans

- The review gives rather **comprehensive overview** of the police's operational environment
- It does not only refer to the **world outside the police**, but also to the mutual relations of functions **within the police organization**
- Not everything can be anticipated and **information** is always at least partly **uncertain**
- **Next report** will be published in **2018**, when Finnish when the Finnish police training reaches its 100-year anniversary



Some links and contact information

Police's operating environment reviews and crime statistics:

http://www.polamk.fi/en/rdi/research/operating_environment_of_the_police

Police University College RDI

<http://www.polamk.fi/en/rdi>

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Thank you for your attention!

