



PRESS RELEASE

THE CONSORTIUM

The EU International Crime & Safety Survey (EU ICS) is being conducted by a consortium, led by Gallup Europe in Brussels. Members of the consortium are the United Nations Interregional Criminal Justice Research Institute (UNICRI) in Turin, Italy, Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law in Freiburg, Germany, CEPS/INSTEAD in Luxembourg and GeoX in Hungary.

Members

Gallup Europe

Gallup Europe was established in 2003 to bring together all the European Gallup offices. It operates from Brussels to provide exclusively pan-European policy related measurement and consultancy. Gallup Europe has gained considerable expertise in the EU, cumulating in the production of the European Commission's Flash Eurobarometer. Gallup has also conducted surveys and coordinated projects in the EU's neighbouring territories. (<http://www.gallup-europe.be/>).

UNICRI

UNICRI is the United Nations entity mandated to assist intergovernmental, governmental and nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) in their efforts to formulate and implement improved policies in the field of crime prevention and justice administration, UNICRI acts with its partners in the international community to:

- advance understanding of crime-related problems
- foster just and efficient criminal justice systems
- support the respect of international instruments and other standards
- facilitate international law enforcement cooperation and judicial assistance

(<http://www.unicri.it/>).

The Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law

The institute is located in Freiburg, Germany. It is dedicated to researching the fields of German, foreign, and international criminal law and criminology. Its primary focus is on basic research, but the Institute also contributes to the development of legislation and conducts applied research. (<http://www.mpicc.de/ww/en/pub/home.cfm>)

CEPS/INSTEAD

CEPS/INSTEAD in Luxembourg (the Centre d'Etudes de Populations, de Pauvreté et de Politiques Socio-Economiques / International Network for Studies in Technology, Environment, Alternatives, Development) is a public body supervised by the Ministry of Culture, Higher Education and Research. It specialises in socio-economic sciences, research and training.

(<http://www.ceps.lu/>)

GeoX Hungary

GeoX Térinformatikai Kft. is principally engaged in the development and maintenance of the DSM-10 digital street map and address database. The firm also participates in smaller but technology-intensive projects, such as: address cleaning and geocoding, geoinformatic solutions, location based services, project management and consulting. (<http://www.geox.hu/>).

Working methods

The consortium received a grant from the European Commission, DG Research, to carry out the EU ICS survey in 2005 among the EU-15, and the consortium committed to include at least three of the newly members (Poland, Estonia and Hungary).

The EU ICS is carrying on the traditions of the International Crime Victim Survey (ICVS), initiated in 1987 by a group of European criminologists with expertise in national crime surveys (Van Dijk, Mayhew, Killias, 1990). UNICRI currently coordinates the ICVS.

From the report: - "The Burden of Crime in the EU, A Comparative Analysis of the European Survey of Crime and Safety (EU ICS) 2005". Robert Manchin, Gallup Europe, coordinated the Consortium and the project was co-financed by the European Commission under FP6.

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