

Information about the meeting of crime prevention department staff with crime prevention managers of regions and municipalities and regional prevention coordinators of the Police of the Czech Republic

The meeting took place on October 11, 2023 in Ostrava, Dolní oblast Vítkovice complex, Gong multifunctional hall. About 70 people from all over the Czech Republic took part in the meeting.

This meeting followed the National Days of Prevention 2023 Ostrava. It took place in the attractive industrial area Dolní oblast Vítkovice in the centre of Ostrava. Contributions and workshops focused on current topics in the field of crime prevention, safety and prevention of risky behaviour of children and youth were prepared for the conference. Not only practitioners, but also scientists and researchers presented examples of good practice from regions and municipalities. The conference was held under the auspices of Vít Rakušan, 1st Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior.

After the official opening of the meeting, all present were welcomed by the director of the Crime Prevention Department JUDr. Barbořík. This was followed by a block of information on the Crime Prevention Subsidy Program at the local level, the current security situation in the regions and about the Program of the Ministry of the Interior in the area of crime prevention for 2023. As an example of good practice, the representative of the city of Pilsen presented the project of the Ukrainian APKs (crime prevention assistants), who currently have joint patrols with the classical APKs, in this case the Roma ones, which significantly reduces the tension between the Roma and Ukrainian communities.

Examples of good practice were also discussed in the Crime prevention program for managing the effects of the refugee wave related to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, e.g. on the topic "Involvement of the Ukrainian community in the crime prevention assistant project". Results of data collection in municipalities throughout the Czech Republic on the selection and performance of crime prevention assistants who work with holders of temporary protection from Ukraine and the entire Ukrainian community. Presentation of the municipalities in which the survey took place and the areas from which data was collected, e.g. preparation for the performance of crime prevention assistants, cooperation with state and local government entities, the specifics of the work of assistants in communities of other nationalities, examples of good practice, but also related problems. Presentation of the method of data evaluation, especially the results of the entire collection and evaluation, on the basis of which the Crime Prevention Department created and presented recommendations for the current work methodology of the APK. Municipalities will thus gain basic knowledge about what to focus on, what to avoid and what to expect when they want to have APKs of non-Czech nationalities.

Two seminars followed.

Senior as an integral part of cyberspace

It would be a mistake to think that seniors are less proficient in using modern technology and are afraid of it. The opposite is true. The present time often gives them no other option. They are forced to use smartphones and computers. It is therefore absolutely necessary to pay attention to this target group as part of preventive action in the field of cybercrime.

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Education in the field of intercultural competences and minority specifics

This seminar was focused on an experiential pedagogy project intended for police officers. The project is based on task No. 63 of the Crime Prevention Action Plan for the years 2016 – 2020 „Provide education in the field of crime prevention with a focus on preventive action in socially excluded localities and localities at risk of social exclusion. It is also based on the Strategy for the work of the Police of the Czech Republic in relation to minorities.

Within the seminar, the priorities of the Ministry of the Interior and the Police of the Czech Republic in the field of the work in a multicultural environment were presented in general, using experiential pedagogy as an effective tool for training police officers. As part of this activity, 4-day courses are organized where the police officers try to understand the moods and feelings of minority groups while carrying out the assigned tasks. The main tool is reflection in the presence of experienced psychologists and a possible new threshold of empathy towards minorities based on the principle of experience, which is non-transferable.