

Continuous professional education of employees in the field of crime prevention and pathological phenomena - seminar "Crime Prevention at the Local Level"

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As part of the PDP1 project *"Increasing police competence in preventing and combating crime, strengthening communication skills with the public and awareness of human rights"*, the planned activity, seminar „***Crime Prevention at the Local Level***“, took place on November 23, 2021. The seminar was held online due to the long-term unfavorable epidemic situation related to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The father of criminology, Cesare Beccaria said: "It is better to prevent crime than to punish it." In addition to repression, crime prevention is an integral part of criminal policy. However, it should not be seen as just a police activity. At present, it should rather be a set of activities developed by state, public and private entities, aimed at controlling crime and reducing fear of it. Prevention is focused on both potential perpetrators and potential victims of crime.

The seminar "Crime Prevention at the Local Level" was attended by 100 listeners, mainly from regional and municipal authorities, city and municipal police and the Police of the Czech Republic. The participants were acquainted with the topics of crime prevention programs at the local and intra-ministerial level, with the forthcoming Crime Prevention Strategy for 2022-2027, cybercrime prevention and the Methodology for assessing the extent of social exclusion in the area.

These seminars will continue.