

Innovative Approach to Urban Security – IcARUS

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Abstract

IcARUS is an ambitious project aimed at reviving the approach to urban security. It seeks to develop innovative tools and practices to create a versatile toolkit that empowers urban security actors to effectively address the challenges they face. At its core, IcARUS offers a comprehensive understanding of urban security issues, promoting a holistic approach to tackling crime, incorporating prevention, sanctions and social cohesion. Several trends have prompted a reevaluation of traditional urban security methods. These include dwindling confidence in public institutions and democracy, reduced public funding, and the increasing interconnectivity of cities. Recognising the multifaceted nature of crime, security has become more intertwined and complex. The conventional reactive approach to crime, relying on surveillance and deterrence has been questioned for its effectiveness and high costs. Instead, IcARUS advocates for a proactive stance centred on prevention and collaboration among diverse stakeholders. It emphasises crime prevention and the co-production of security as pivotal aspects of urban security policies. IcARUS strives to enhance cities' capacity to anticipate and respond to urban security challenges, develop innovative tools tailored to local contexts, promote multi-stakeholder collaboration, and place citizens at the forefront of urban security policies.

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