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The Launch Event

The Launch Event of the European Project Be Secure Feel Secure (BSFS), led by the Municipality of Piraeus, took place on Wednesday, July 15, 2020, on the main stage of the Municipal Theater of Piraeus, in the presence of esteemed guests.

The partners presented the BSFS project and explained their role in it. The president of the Local Council for Crime Prevention (LCCP) of Piraeus opened the section about "Urban Security" and experts in the field proceeded with their speeches.

In the last section "Technologies enabling Urban Security", the role of technologies in civil security was presented in detail by the representatives of the partners.



The establishment of the Local Council for Crime Prevention (LCCP)

The Local Crime Prevention Council (LCCP) for the Municipality of Piraeus was established on the 15th of April 2020. It was introduced as part of the Municipality of Piraeus organization and established under the guidance of the Laboratory of Urban Criminology of Panteion University and as part of the BSFS project obligations.

The LCCP will focus their action in crime prevention, in deflating the sense of fear of citizens and also in reducing the opportunities that favor actions of crime. Its role is precautionary and informative hence, it is composed by scientists, lawyers, representatives from the municipality and the local police station department, members of the municipal police and the Piraeus Coast Guard.



Consultation Meetings

Various consultation meetings with different urban security city stakeholders were organized by the Laboratory of Urban Criminology of Panteion University, in order to reinforce urban security and safety via the Local Crime Prevention Council and the victims' support.

The meetings were held with: The Minor Protection Society, "The Good Poimen", the Hellenic Police, the 'SOS Children's Villages Child and Family Centre', the Club for UNESCO of Piraeus & Islands, the Hellenic Coast Guard-The Department of Piraeus, the Holy Metropolis of Piraeus, the Commercial Association of Piraeus, the Directorate of Secondary Education in Piraeus (Department of Education Subjects), the Public and Social Health Services of the Municipality of Piraeus, the Piraeus Consultation Center for Women and the Bar Association of Piraeus.



Survey & Data Collection

The survey focuses at the 2nd and the 5th municipality departments (MD) of Piraeus in order to diagnose the dimensions of victimization and insecurity, as well as citizens' attitudes towards the image of their area of residence, regarding security issues, and the effectiveness of formal social control and public bodies in this matter.

The training for the data collection of the survey, took place on Monday 22nd of June, with Laboratory of Urban Criminology of Panteion University and RASS Consultancy Services S.A.



Commencement of the collaboration with the UIA Expert

The kick-off meeting between the Urbanist & UIA expert for BSFS, Mrs. Edna Peza Ramirez and the consortium, took place on 11 September, 2020.

During our meeting, we discussed the challenges of our venture and we were given insight on how to handle them. The BSFS team is looking forward to the next steps of our fruitful collaboration with Mrs. Peza Ramirez. Her expertise in the urban security field will be a helpful guideline throughout the progress of the BSFS project.



Kick-Off Meeting @Piraeus

The project-kick-off meeting was held in Piraeus on October 8th, 2019. During the first physical meeting of BSFS, the project partners were better familiarised with the project goals & objectives, introduced their

profile, expertise and expected role in the project. The knowledge gained during the UIA Training Workshop held in Brussels during October 2-3 was shared and the consortium planned the responses to the UIA Recommendations.

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The Consortium

All partners joined their forces to improve the urban security status in the city of Piraeus.

- Municipality of Piraeus
- Panteion University of social and political sciences
- University of Piraeus Research Center
- Ministry of Citizen Protection
- SingularLogic SA
- Space Hellas SA
- European Forum for Urban Security (EFUS)



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