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I. Police Officers in Schools Programme in the Balearic Islands

Approximately from the year 2000 and after an important education reform carried out in Spain in the nineties, schools went through important changes, specially highschoools where the age of onset in these centres was 11 years old instead of 14 from the former educational system, and the school premises closed their gates, whereas with the former system, students came in and out at their own responsibility.

All this reform plus the changes in society also affected school life. That is why in the year 2001 a highschool from Pollença Municipality (Majorca) asked the town council for the creation of a service from the Local Police that would work together with the highschool regarding conflict resolution issues and improving school life at the centre. From the year 2002 a Project called "Police Officers in Schools" began with functions aimed at



resolving conflicts that arise in schools using resources from the same community (police, schools, social services, youth departments, etc.).

The purpose of Police Officers in Schools was to tackle drug consumption and traffic around schools, truancy, bullying, conflicts among students, unauthorized access to the highschool premises by non-students, etc., and also to participate in preventive campaigns and talks in highschools for reducing issues that concerned minors. As a whole, it was about training and developing local police officers to carry out these tasks.

After the success of the Police Officers in Schools Programme, and from the year 2003, fourteen Majorcan town councils enforced this service in their municipalities until the year 2009. From this date, the Government of the Balearic Islands created a Police Officers in Schools Framework Programme, which could be enforced in any municipality of the islands and that would serve as a reference for the town councils of the Autonomous Community interested in applying this service from the local police force in their respective schools. Also the government began to organize specific training courses concerning minors through its civil servants school aimed at local police officers in order to provide this service with the best guarantees and better quality as a public service and proximity to citizens.

From the year 2010 different municipalities of the Balearic Islands adhered to the Police Officers in Schools Framework Programme, promoted and coordinated by the General Directorate of Home Affairs until reaching today 63 municipalities out of the 67 that make up the Autonomous Community.

This way the goals, functions, action protocols and preventive campaigns related to this programme are common and homogeneous in practically all the municipalities of the islands.

II. Police Officers in Schools Framework Programme in Spain

Police Officers in Schools is a programme that belongs to the Local Police, in collaboration with other municipal services, which focuses its actions in the field of preventions and protection of minors, and which with different names has been taking place in several Spanish municipalities for ten years.

However, from the year 2012, through collaboration agreements between the Delegation for the National Plan on Drugs and the Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces, the relaunch programme began in order to achieve two key objectives: the elaboration of a Protocol Framework Programme, with the focus of its dissemination and extension throughout the national territory, and to carry out specific training actions adapted to this Protocol for the officers that perform this service.

The Protocol Framework Programme focuses on the actions that have arisen from situations of concern related to the school environment, such as drug prevention, truancy or peer violence. It also focuses on



problems detected in the open environment, such as consumption in public areas or sale of alcohol and tobacco to minors in public venues and establishments. Finally, it takes into account other incidents that occur in the field of information and communications technology.

In addition, the Protocol has a dual function: to be a useful guide for the implementation and starting up of the Police Officers in Schools Programme and to be empowered to adapt to the different local concerns that may be prevalent.

In 2012 an investigation began focused on the study of the dissemination of the programme in the national territory, the analysis of the ways of implementing the programme and a comparison of all their own documentation conceded by the nine municipalities and the Autonomous Community of the Balearic Islands participating.

Thanks to this work, in 2013 a specific training module adapted to the Protocol Framework was developed, which was followed by three editions in 2014 and two more in 2015, in addition to enabling the definition of the steps to follow towards the adhesion of the Police Officers in Schools Programme.

III. Motivation, Objectives and Recipients of the International Congress

The service of Police Officers in Schools in Spain is increasing its presence in municipalities year by year, as is the growing interest of town councils in implementing this police service. There are also different administrations that have an important role in the creation and implementation of this local

Police programme. It is for this reason that the Spanish Government through the National Drug Plan, the Government of the Balearic Islands and the Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces have come together to celebrate this first international congress of Police Officers in Schools in order to broaden the dissemination of this police service, which is obtaining very positive results in the prevention of risk situations involving minors.

The general objectives of this congress are:

- 1** To become acquainted with the newest work of local police in the Spanish State in relation to their actions regarding minors from the prevention perspective, being able to share their experiences.
- 2** To learn about police methods or from other fields concerning minors from other European countries for future plans of preventive actions.
- 3** To produce a document of conclusions on the issues discussed at the conference to present to the different public administrations, and recognize the role of local police in the prevention of risk situations among minors.

The main target of the international congress are Police Officers in Schools and local police headquarters in the different municipalities of Spain interested in this service for minors, either to expand their knowledge or for its implementation in their respective municipalities. Also at European level, those in charge of police forces who are interested in this service or have similar functions to the Spanish agents, will be able to attend and participate in this international congress. In the case of the Balearic Islands, the officials in charge of educational institutions as well as representatives of pupils' parents associations will be able to attend if they are interested, following

different presentations related to their role in the resolution of school conflicts.

IV. Programme and Contents of the International Congress

Thursday 20th October. National and International Experiences

Timetable	Talks
From 9.30 to 10.00 h.	Accreditations.
From 10.00 to 10.30 h.	Congress Opening by different authorities.
From 10.30 to 11.30 h.	Programme and resolution of Police Officers in Schools in the Balearic Islands. Presented by the Government of the Balearic Islands. <i>Speaker:</i> Pere Perelló Payeras (Director General de Emergencias e Interior) Rafel Covas Femenia (Coordinator of Police Tutor's Programme, in the Balearic Islands) and Marta Escoda Trobat (Directora del Instituto de la Convivencia y Éxito Escolar).
From 11.30 to 12.00 h.	Break
From 12.00 to 13.00 h.	Programme of Police Officers in Schools. National implementation and guide on drug protocol, presented by FEMP and PNSD. <i>Speaker:</i> Francisco Rábago Lucerga (Subdirector General de Información, Estudios y Coordinación de Programas de Prevención, Asistencia y Reinserción del PNSD), Joaquin Corcobado Romo (Jefe de Área de Derechos Sociales y Ciudadanía de la

	FEMP) y Ana Blanco García (Psicóloga y antropóloga especializada en prevención comunitaria de salud pública y coordinadora de la formación Agente Tutor).
From 13.00 to 14.00 h.	Finland. Presentation of the bullying protocol model "KiVa". Speaker: Tiina Mäkelä (University of Jyväskylä, Finland).

From 14.00 to 16.00 h.	Lunch – break.
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From 16.00 to 17.30 h.	Presentation of different experiences regarding police and minors among the interested attendees/participants. The congress attendees will be able to submit their own experiences of interest to other participants in work or encounter tables, previously prepared.
18.00 h.	Institutional visit to spaces of cultural interest.

Friday 21st October. National and International Experiences.

Timetable	Talks
From 9.00 to 10.00 h.	Northern Ireland – United Kingdom. Presentation of conflict resolution techniques through restorative practices.

	<i>Speaker:</i> Tim Chapman (Ulster University).
From 10.00 to 11.00 h.	Bremen – Germany. Preventing licit and illicit substance use among young people: Lessons learned from Prevention Research. <i>Speaker:</i> Stefanie Helmer (Dr. of Leibniz Institute for Prevention Research and Epidemiology (BIPS) in Bremen, Germany).
From 11.00 to 11.30 h.	Break.
From 11.30 to 12.30 h.	Madrid – Spain. Police Officers in Schools Service by the Municipal Police of Madrid. Protocol on bullying, presented by the Madrid City Council. <i>Speaker:</i> Carlos Casado Huerta (Police Officer in Shcool).
From 12.30 to 13.30 h	Manchester - United Kingdom. Police protocol regarding youth conflict resolution. <i>Speaker:</i> Garry Shewan (Police officer in Manchester).
From 13.30 to 14.00 h.	Congress closure and presentation of conclusions “Mallorca Declaration”.

V. Development of future proposals

Regarding the third objective of the international congress to produce a document of conclusions to present to the different entitled public administrations, through the above text, proposals will be developed based on issues addressed in the various presentations of the congress, with the aim of developing prevention plans to be

promoted by each local police force in order to reduce risk situations among minors from different areas of prevention.

VI. Register and Congress Information

The congress will be held at Son Caliu Hotel in the municipality of Calvià (number 8, Son Caliu Avenue). Those institutions interested in presenting experiences on the first day of the Congress in the afternoon at individual tables must state same on the registration form, briefly defining the content of the presentation. Registration for the conference is free, as well as other concepts that will be detailed in due course.

Registration will take place telematically to FEMP through the following link <http://congresointernacionaldeagentestutores.caib.es> from 1st to 18th September.