Editorial

The eight (co)authors of the five papers appearing in this issue of the Journal of Criminal Justice and Security reflect on relevant contemporary policing, criminal justice and broader security issues. This issue focuses on investigating ecological issues and policing, human resources development among Slovenian police Criminal Investigation Department employees, addresses the importance of police officers' physical abilities in Croatia, while dealing with violence in the workplace and discussing diplomatic assurances given in the extradition process. A diverse issue in its nature, but very interesting and contemporary in its contents.

In the first paper *Water Crimes and Policing*, **Katja Eman**, **Saša Kuhar** and **Gorazd Meško** discuss water as a crucial natural resource. Due to this fact, water is becoming more and more attractive for various economic and criminal groups. In the paper, the authors present crimes against water, types of water crimes, and analyse the situation in Slovenia from the police measures point of view.

David Smolej seeks to answer the question of how to strengthen employee engagement among Slovenian criminal investigators in the second paper. He describes employee engagement as a positive atmoshere in the workplace, reflected in the dedication, absorption, and psychological state, accompanied by the personal energy invested in the work. In terms of the human resources development process, there is a fundamental question for the management of the CID of how to achieve maximum engagement and commitment in investigators' work, which in turn will contribute to greater security in Slovenia.

The objective of the paper by **Damir Lauš** and **Goran Ribičić** was to establish a link between Croatian police officers' motor abilities and their achievements in the martial arts. They discover some statistically relevant associations between martial arts achievements and the officers' motor abilities. The authors conclude that attention should be paid in police officers' martial arts training to developing and improving their coordination, agility as well as their explosive and repetitive strength.

In the fourth paper *Violence Towards Nursing Employees in Slovenia*, **Branko Gabrovec** presents a systematic review of research studies conducted in the field of violence directed at nursing employees in Slovenia. The purpose of his paper was to establish the types and prevalence of violence, as well as the methodology and deficiencies of the research conducted to date. The aim is for the findings to support systematic measures for preventing, reporting and surviving such violence in Slovenia.

In the last paper, **Vesna Stefanovska** analyses diplomatic assurances and the state's responsibility when considering extraditing a person whose human rights may be violated. The author describes the potential tension between a state's needs to protect its citizens from security risks and to respect fundamental human rights. This is illustrated by current controversies concerning the use of diplomatic assurances in the context of extradition.

We at the Journal of Criminal Justice and Security trust you find the articles worth reading and a good source of fresh ideas for both your future research and hopefully new papers.

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