

NG PDP 1, activity no. 3

Workshop on observing and taking photo and video recordings from a hidden position with practical exercises

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Lecturers: SECUPRO Government BV

The pilot five-day course focused on monitoring and observation in the urban environment, held in Haarlem, the Netherlands, was intended for members of the Rapid Response Unit of the Czech Police and was attended by a 5-member group. The course consisted of a theoretical part (20% of the course) and practical exercises (80% of the course). In the theoretical part, the lecturers explained the basic concepts and procedures of monitoring in the urban environment. Emphasis was placed on building a monitoring station in buildings, vehicles or in urban greenery. The course participants had the opportunity to build these stations and the lecturers then evaluated the procedure used and the final result. The aim was to gain the ability to build a site in any conditions (day or night, open building, closed room, artificial lighting, etc.) and to use recording equipment in these positions. The acquired skills were subsequently tested on two model situations, which checked whether the course participants are able to use these skills in real operation. The instructors of the course were former members of the security forces with practical experience and they conducted the course very professionally. On the recommendation of the lecturer, the course participants were accommodated in a hotel with a short driving distance to the course venue. The great advantage of the course was its flexibility. The issues discussed were always tailored to the needs of the members of the Rapid Response Unit and the participants themselves could agree on which areas of the course will be given more or less attention.