

“Security, Democracy and Cities”
International Conference of the
European Forum of Urban Security
Zaragoza 2006-11-02-04

**Successful Crime Prevention
in 7 Steps
for good governance**

www.erich-marks.de

Good Governance and a Successful Crime Prevention

can be achieved

- (1) by global thinking and urban acting
- (2) by theoretical/practical communication
- (3) by interdisciplinary
- (4) by public private partnership
- (5) by quality management
- (6) by evidence-based conceptions
- (7) by attitudes and principles

Step 1 of good governance: Global Thinking and Urban Acting

needs

- a) Development of a specific communal prevention culture
- b) Acting on five levels of prevention measures
- c) Composition and structure of the five levels
- d) Development of a clear cut subsidiary management

Step 2 of good governance: Theoretical/Practical Communication

needs

- a) Means of forming platforms for mutual exchange and discussion
- b) Development of new models for information and knowledge management
- c) Development of new tools for an adaptation management
- d) Use and further development of (meta) evaluation

Step 3 of good governance: Interdisciplinary

needs

- a) Integration of all relevant prevention agencies
- b) Networking between all players of preventive measures
- c) Acceptance of mutual professionalism
- d) Acceptance of the principle, that prevention is the task of the boss

Step 4 of good governance: Public Private Partnership

needs

- a) Activating of neighbourhood and civic engagement
- b) Cooperation between governmental and non-governmental institutions
- c) Inclusion of private and commercial players
- d) Cooperation with companies and business associations

Step 5 of good governance: Quality Management

needs

- a) Orientation on standards
- b) Application of knowledge based on project management
- c) Offer of training and further education
- d) Use of proven methods and tools

[see e.g. www.beccaria.de](http://www.beccaria.de)

Step 6 of good governance: Evidence-based Conceptions

needs

- a) Orientation on basic principles of sustainability
- b) Striving for specific prevention targets
- c) Use of (Owens) concept of levels
- d) Continuous bringing up to date of prevention topics and targets

Step 7 of good governance: Attitudes and Principles

needs

- a) Spotting of problem areas as early as possible
- b) Orientation on principles of values and environment of target groups
- c) No demonising of the evil
- d) Orientation on achievements and not on what should be avoided

Thank you for your attention
and please don't forget:

**„it is better to prevent crime
rather than to punish it“**

Cesare Beccaria (1738 – 1794)

www.erich-marks.de