

EDITORIAL

The Relaunch of the European Journal of Policing Studies

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With this issue, the editorial team proudly presents the relaunch of the *European Journal of Policing Studies (EJPS)* as from 2023, published by Eleven Publishing International (The Hague).

EJPS was previously published from 2013 to 2018. During those years, it attracted renowned scholars from different European (and non-European) countries, providing them with a forum for their research output. The journal was absent for a few years while new avenues were being sought. These avenues were found at Eleven, where a solid collaboration was established, the editorial team reinforced and a new international advisory board compiled. The members of the international advisory board can be found on the copyright page. We are very happy that the journal is also strengthened by these experts in police research.

The past year has been used to prepare for the relaunch of EJPS. The result can be found in the first issue of this new collaboration that is now published.

EJPS will be published quarterly and will maintain its focus on police and policing research that is of interest, especially from a continental-European perspective. It also aims to provide a high-quality, peer-reviewed outlet and a communication channel for empirical research that is based in continental Europe and thus focuses on disclosing these studies to a broader audience. EJPS will be published as a combination of mixed and special issues. We look forward to special issues on Police stops (2023) and Policing and digitalization (2024) as well as to mixed issues with high-interest topics in recent empirical research.

Authors are therefore welcome to submit their articles to EJPS's editorial manager, and suggestions for special issues can be sent to the editorial team through elevenejps@gmail.com.

Content of this issue

For this first issue, the editorial team invited a number of renowned police scholars to discuss their recent research in an article. This resulted in an issue that is

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distinctively empirical by nature and that is built around four articles on very contemporary topics that will undoubtedly add to police research as a whole.

In his first article, 'Experiencing Police Stops in France: Low-Level Tensions, Trust and Citizenship', Jacques de Maillard analyses police stop experiences of young males from ethnic minorities in urban areas in France. He clearly describes how professional standards seem to fade in these interactions with specific groups, potentially leading to a negative feedback loop (a police stops trap) that may end in mutually hostile attitudes. This may have a detrimental effect on relations between police and citizens and trust in the police.

In 'We Will Always Be Better Than a Spreadsheet. Intelligence Logic and Crime Prevention in Practice', Helene Gundhus, Pernille Skjevraak and Christin Wathne describe how the terror attack in July 2011 has brought about a focus on emergencies and crisis management in Norway. Police policy has shifted largely from social forms of policing towards the management of security and fighting crime. This shift towards intelligence-led policing impacts crime and policing on several levels.

In the third article of this issue, Jan Terpstra, Tetty Havinga and Renze Salet dive into the oral history of rural policing. Under the title 'Rural Policing: Change and Continuity – an Oral History' the authors describe how rural policing has evolved in the Netherlands since the 1980s. Based on interviews with police officers in rural areas, they sketch how the police have left rural communities and changed into a more abstract police, yet they recognize that rural policing still has specific characteristics.

The final article of this issue is by James J. Willis, Marthinus C. Koen and Heather Toronjo. 'Governing Police Discretion Through a Craft Learning Model: Promises and Pitfalls' makes use of empirical data from the United States to build the craft learning model of police decision-making and the potential of body-worn cameras in this respect. The authors critically discuss the challenges and pitfalls of the proposed model and provide potential answers to these problems, thereby affording new insights for police reform.

The editorial team wishes you an interesting and fascinating read of this issue and hopes to welcome you to the next issues of EJPS, as reader, author or guest editor.

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