



„Hate, Social Inclusion and the Society“

June 2nd from 11:00 – 17:00
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What is Nordic Safe City (NSC)?

- 1. **Scandinavian Alliance**
 - Nordic Safe Cities (NSC) is an alliance of 19 member cities across Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Finland, and Iceland.
- 2. **Safeguard and security**
 - NSC builds resilient local communities and helps cities safeguard their citizens against polarization, hate, and extremism.
- 3. **Action plan – collaborated with other public institutions and NSC**
 - Such as cooperation with the Police, the Department of School and Leisure etc.
- 4. **Nordic Safe City**
 - NSC connects cities, police, civil society, and youth across the Nordics, provide resources and build networks through which to discuss difficult topics, share challenges and good practice, spread ideas.



Aims of the event – reflection on the action plan

- 1. Society and prevention
- 2. Hate-speech and hate-crime
- 3. Safe Urban space

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Key challenges

- **A changing demographic.** Immigration increased from 3% - 17%. Expecting to increase +20% in few years. The increase of diversity means need of changes in terms of safety and inclusion for ,all' citizens
- **Lacking police priority.** Disconnect between strategic and operational level. Tackling discrimination, hate, and better inclusion - priority on a strategic level - severely lacking on an operational level.
- **Lack of online knowledge.** Socialisation of young people online - important for police to know what happens, where, by/towards whom, consequences of this and tools for prevention.
- **Learn from Nordics.** History of immigration in Iceland is unique and new. Necessary to continue NSC partnership and cross-border collaboration to avoid pitfalls and instead to straight to good solutions
- **Educating** diversity, interculturalism and counter-approaching discrimination and hate in schools, among stakeholders and in the police
- **Researching** analysis of hate speech including data collection, law enforcement statistics, academic statistics etc.
- **Appropriateness** for victim and facilitate reporting – supporting those targeted by hate speech.



Mobilisation of stakeholders and cooperatives

- Participants agreed that conducting regular meetings discussing the themes of the conference was important as they could provide an opportunity to carry the work forward.
- Continue working on the action plan
- Upcoming Nordic Safe Cities summit (October 24th – 25th, 2022) allow member cities in Scandinavia, including Reykjavik, to gain more input from other each other.



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