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The Institute for International Research on Criminal Policy (IRCP) has a decades-long tradition of conducting high-quality independent scientific research. It provides advice to policy and practice and participates in societal debates.

The Institute is situated in the Department of Criminology, Criminal Law and Social Law of the Faculty of Law and Criminology at Ghent University. The scholarly and educational background of its research staff is mainly in law or criminology, whilst steadily evolving towards more diverse profiles.

TOPICS

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|  Belgian criminal law and criminal justice |  European and international criminal law and criminal justice |  Drugs |
|  Sexual offending, prostitution and human trafficking |  Youth crime, juvenile justice and children's rights |  Policing |
|  Spatio-temporal clustering of safety |  Privacy, technology, cyber, big data and surveillance |  Vulnerable groups |
|  Private security and intelligence |  Organised crime, violent extremism and corruption |  Theory and methods |

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KEY FIGURES

80+
RESEARCHERS

3000+
PUBLICATIONS

400+
EVENTS

400+
PROJECTS

CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCIENCE, SOCIETY AND ECONOMY

The Institute regularly advises national governments and authorities in Europe and beyond as well as regional and international institutions and organizations (e.g. Europol, Eurojust, European Commission, Fundamental Rights Agency of the EU, Council of Europe, OSCE and various UN organizations).

IRCP cooperates intensively and shares knowledge and research with topic-specific knowledge platforms such as [PIXLES](#) (Privacy, Information Exchange, Law Enforcement & Surveillance), interdisciplinary research consortia such as the [IDC Crime, Criminology and Criminal Policy](#), and business development centres such as i4S (Smart Solutions for Secure Societies). It also focuses on dynamic partnerships with academics from other disciplines and experts from policy and practice.

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