

# PSCE Press Release

A success for the PSCE Conference in Bled, Slovenia



On 12 and 13 December 2018, another PSCE conference successfully took place in Bled, Slovenia. The conference was collocated with three workshops addressing topics as varied as social media and crowdsourcing for disaster management, cross-border interoperability and 5G for PPDR.

Throughout the conference were addressed some of the hottest topics in public safety communications including practitioners training and education, smart communications and preparedness against wildfires. The high level presentations were completed by two interactive and collaborative sessions consisting of a serious gaming simulation of a search & rescue operation, showing the added-value of this type of exercise for training practitioners, followed by a collaborative session on how to elaborate and define appropriate practitioner-focused scenarios.

The conference provided an outstanding platform to share information and exchange points of view in the field of public safety communications and featured a dedicated poster & exhibition area where projects and initiatives could show their work and achievements to a relevant pool of public safety experts. Overall, the PSCE Conference and workshops brought together around **150 participants** including public safety practitioners, policymakers, academic researchers, industrial experts and other interested stakeholders.

On the evening of the 13th, conference delegates were offered the opportunity to pursue the discussions in a relaxed atmosphere during a networking diner in a restaurant located on the lake shore.

All conference documents have been made available to conference participants and to PSCE Institutional Members who have opportunity to download all presentations any time from the restricted part of the PSCE website. The conference report, an overview video as well as the dates of the next PSCE Conference will be made available on our website very shortly.

Through a live survey conducted during the conference, participants chose the following themes for the next PSCE Conference: Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning for Public Safety / Citizen Alerting Mechanisms (Reverse 112) / Cross-Border Cooperation and 5G for PPDR.

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