

CO-SECUR – Knowledge building and social innovation for a successful, more effective and co-produce urban security solutions.

OPEN CALL for Security Innovation Advisory Board experts

CO-SECUR, a Horizon Europe-funded project (GA 101121325), is recruiting a pool of 6 international experts to set up a **Security Innovation Advisory Board (SIAB)** with complementary profiles and consolidated expertise in social innovation, public security, urban development, privacy, ethics and other related fields of interest to support the project in its endeavours during the period 2024-2026.

CO-SECUR aims to build knowledge and a suite of tools, including a Societal Development Plan (SDP) to foster and accelerate the adoption of social innovations and responsible innovation principles that contribute to successful, more effective, and co-produced security solutions for public spaces.

Security is a complex issue that relates and depends on aspects such as social innovation, social cohesion, law enforcement, society's resilience, and community empowerment against any form of violence. In this context, the concept of "safer cities and human settlements" comprises integrated, innovative, and inclusive approaches to urban safety and security. Given this perspective, ensuring urban safety and security requires a citywide and participatory process to address the multiple causes and risk factors for crime, violence and insecurity, and to develop and put in place the security solutions that protect against those causes and risks.

Several actors should be involved in the development of security solutions as well as in security provision and prevention. For that reason, **SIAB members will act as experts supporting the project execution and implementation phases. This way, COSECUR will co-design research with the involvement of relevant and diverse stakeholders.**



ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- Practitioners, researchers, academics, policy makers with demonstrated experience in the field of public engagement, stakeholder engagement linked with the security and social innovation fields.
- EU/EEA/EFTA/Accessing/candidate countries nationals or have their place of residence or work in this area.

EXPERTISE REQUIRED

- Demonstrated expertise in at least one of the following areas:
 - Social Innovation
 - Security Behaviour
 - Security Perception
 - Ethics, Privacy, Data protection
 - Security Technologies
 - Participatory Approaches
- Knowledge and ability to provide examples of best practice/case studies on any of the above-mentioned topics.
- Experience in and/or familiarity and understanding of international, global and/or cross-cultural perspectives, EU-related actions, policies, programmes, initiatives and projects are an asset.
- Potential for enlarging the CO-SECUR stakeholder network and/or multiplying the impact and sustainability of the project results.

EXPERTS PROFILE

Essential requirements

- Minimum 5 years of post-graduate professional experience in international relations, public security, law enforcement, urban planning, local development, intercultural diplomacy/communication, cultural and creative industries and sectors, etc.
- Expertise and knowledge of, at least, one of the above-mentioned areas or fields.
- Excellent written and spoken skills in English.

Additional

- Demonstrated experience in data collection, analytical research, and reporting.
- Demonstrated experience in research coordination, monitoring and evaluation.
- Knowledge of one or more additional European Union languages will be considered an asset.
- Knowledge of EU policies, programmes and initiatives supporting cultural relations/exchanges between the EU and third countries will be considered an asset.

EXPECTED TASKS

The main tasks of the SIAB are aligned with CO-SECUR implementation progress along the three years of project duration (2024-2026) and cover the following topics:

1. Results validation from preliminary data analysis of knowledge and theory building. The expected outcomes of the project are:
 - a. Literature review on Social Innovation for Security Perception and Security Behaviour
 - b. CO-SECUR conceptual framework and theoretical model
 - c. Identification, mapping and analysis of activities, projects, technologies, and policies that leverage socially responsible research and innovation in security.
 - d. Lessons learnt on how to implement Social Innovation in Security involving citizens
2. Contribution to communication & dissemination of the project results at international level.
3. Contribution to ecosystem building for stakeholder engagement (WP3).
4. Attendance to two project meetings and to the final event "Security Perception Conference" in Brussels (one per year approximately, from 2024 to 2026).

The expected dedication time is approximately 6 working days over 36 months (2 days per year).

Note:

- Availability of the SIAB members can be requested in case of project extension.
- SIAB members will deliver a brief activity report to the coordinator.



REIMBURSEMENT POLICY. TERMS & CONDITIONS

Following the EC policy for reimbursement of external experts and reviewers, experts will be reimbursed for the time dedicated to the project at a rate of **450 € per day** (all taxes included). Payment will be done within 30 days after the submission of an activity report.

In addition, experts will be reimbursed for travel, accommodation and subsistence expenses upon submission of receipts to attend the face-to-face meetings and the final conference. Travels must be organized based on the most appropriate means of transport and trying to benefit from the most economical travel rates. Payment will be done within 30 days after the submission of the expenses settlement document of each trip.

APPLICATION

To apply, please send a motivation letter (one page) and your CV (ideally in Europass Format) to the project email address coordination@cosecur.eu and coordinator email address: Julia Ferrando (jferrando@kveloce.com).

Please, clearly indicate in your email the specific area you are applying for (e.g. "Application for SIAB_ your field of expertise", For ex. "Application for SIAB_ Participatory approaches"). The areas as earlier presented are:

- Social Innovation
- Security Behaviour
- Security Perception
- Ethics, Privacy, Data protection
- Security Technologies
- Participatory Approaches

The call is open until the 15th of April 2024.



SELECTION PROCESS

The selection committee will review the applications review considering the following criteria:

1. Experience in one or more of the areas requested in this call and alignment with the requirements proposed
2. Experience of working in similar relevant projects and/or advisory committees.
3. Expertise related to the tasks as detailed above.
4. Diversity of the members of the SIAB as a whole regarding background/expertise.

Gender and geographical balance will also be considered among the selection criteria. Upon completion of the selection, candidates will be informed about the results no later than one month after the application deadline.

DATA PROTECTION

The COSECUR project will ensure candidates' data protection as required by the European regulation. Please see the Privacy Notice at the end of this document by sending your application to the e-mail address below, you consent to the processing of your data for the evaluation of your application as set out in the privacy notice at the end of this document.

CONTACT

In case of any questions, please contact the Kveloce coordination team, in particular Julia Ferrando at: jferrando@kveloce.com



ABOUT CO-SECUR PROJECT

CO-SECUR project aims to advance the adoption of successful, more effective and co-produced security protocols and solutions for public spaces, with a special focus on mass events and crowded places.

CO-SECUR will bring together knowledge on social innovation in the field of security, contributing to build trust, acceptance, improving security and security perception, as well as promoting safer conducts.

This project, recently funded by the Horizon Europe programme with 2 million euros, will be coordinated by Kveloce, an international consultancy headquartered in Valencia (Spain). In addition, it has 9 countries in its consortium, composed of different entities, such as the Polibienestar Research Institute of the University of Valencia (Valencia, Spain), Saferglobe ry (Helsinki, Finland), German Forum for Urban Security (Hannover, Germany), Shine 2europe Lda (Coimbra, Portugal), European Integrated Projects (Bucharest, Romania), Evalu S.p (Warszawa, Poland), Tero (Kalamaria, Greece), Smart Continent It uab (Vilnius, Lithuania), Digital Europe (Brussels, Belgium).

This project will support the first time a comprehensive portfolio of security initiatives in Europe selected from a socially responsible research perspective, by identifying, mapping, and analysing specific activities, projects, technologies, and policies that leverage socially responsible research and innovation. In addition, the major achievement of this project will be the co-creation of knowledge, bringing together different EU countries and different security-related actors, such as police, state security forces, security companies, policy makers, universities and event organisers or technology development companies.

The CO-SECUR project goes beyond existing knowledge on the feeling of security from a human and societal perspective, creating knowledge and a set of tools. Furthermore, the CO-SECUR analysis will focus on nine countries (Spain, Finland, Germany, Portugal, Romania, Poland, Greece, Lithuania, Belgium) and at the same time it will take into account other EU and international initiatives outside the partners' countries, thanks to the international and networking nature of the CO-SECUR consortium.

In this way, CO-SECUR will contribute to Goal 11 of the 2030 Agenda, making cities and public spaces safer, while harnessing the concept of smart citizenship and local communities. The knowledge generated and tools provided by the project, including a Social Development Plan on Security, will enable individuals and communities to be direct participants in the creation of safe environments, cities and territories. CO-SECUR is strongly aligned with the smart cities and communities' approach, in which infrastructures, networks and services are made more efficient with the use of technological solutions for the benefit of their inhabitants and businesses.

Security is a complex issue that relates to and depends on aspects such as innovation and social cohesion, law enforcement, societal resilience and community empowerment in the face of all forms of violence. In this context, the concept of "**safer cities and human settlements**" includes integrated, innovative and inclusive approaches to urban safety, which complement the concept of crime prevention and are based on principles of community cohesion.



PRIVACY NOTICE

For what purpose do we collect your personal information?

We will process your data in order to carry out the administrative management and coordination of individuals and researchers involved in the project.

Who is the data controller?

Senior Europa, S.L. (en adelante KVELOCE), Plaza de la Reina 19, Escalera A, 1º B, 46003 Valencia (Valencia).

You can contact us by e-mail concerning data privacy at administracion@kveloce.com.

Under what legal basis does the COSECUR project process your personal information?

Your personal data are processed on the basis of the following provisions:

- Informed consent by sending your information
- Performance of contract (6.1. b) GDPR).
- Performance of a task carried out in the public interest (art. 6.1.e) RGPD) under the terms of:
- Law 14/2011, of 1 June, on Science, Technology and Innovation.
- Articles 9.2.j), 5.1.b) and 89 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC.

Which data we will process?

We collect and process the following information in connection with your application:

- Personal information, including your name, address, telephone number, email address and other contact information.
- Details of your employment history, education and qualifications.
- Additional information provided voluntarily, such as cover letters and references.

Use of Information:

We use the information provided to assess your suitability for participation in the project. This may include reviewing your CV, checking references and communicating with you during the selection process.

Who may receive your personal data? (Recipients)

- Members of the consortium.
- Providers of human resources management and recruitment services.
- European Union



- Public Finance and Tax Administration;
- Banks, savings banks and rural banks.
- Judicial Authorities

Are the personal data transferred internationally to third countries?

No, this is not foreseen.

How long do we keep your data?

- The data will be used for the entire period of the research until, if necessary, to perform a report or publication of the results.
- For any additional periods necessary to guarantee the rights of the persons involved in the project.
- Some personal data should be preserved in accordance with Laws on historical or documentary heritage and/or archiving.
- The information shall be kept duly blocked for the additional periods necessary for the prescription of possible legal liabilities. Otherwise, and after the mandatory period of 5 years after the end of the project, in order to cope with possible internal reviews of this project by the European Union, all personal data will be deleted.

How do we protect your personal information?

The security measures implemented correspond to those set out in Annex II (Security measures) of Royal Decree 3/2010, of 8 January, which regulates the National Security Scheme in the field of Electronic Administration, and always in accordance with the requirements of European data protection regulations.

How do we guarantee your data protection rights?

You may exercise your rights of access, rectification, erasure, limitation or, where appropriate, opposition. For these purposes, you must submit a written request to: KVELOCE, Plaza de la Reina 19, Escalera A, 1ºB, 46003 Valencia or or, by sending an email to administracion@kveloce.com.

In the letter you must specify which of these rights you are requesting to be satisfied. To demonstrate that you are the data subject enclose a photocopy of a National Identification Document, or similar. In case you need to demonstrate the legal basis of your request, please send as evidence. If you are acting through a representative, legal or voluntary, you must also provide a document accrediting the representation and an identification document of the same.

Claims

In the event that you wish to make a complaint or obtain additional information on the regulation of the processing of personal data in Spain, the competent authority is the Spanish Data Protection Agency (Jorge Juan, 6 28001-Madrid).