

Center for Police research

### **Annual Report of Activities 2016**

Below follows a report of activities in 2016 carried out by the Centre, the Centre's director, Professor Iain Cameron, and deputy director, Associate Professor Heléne Lööw. The activities are set out under three headings, research and research applications, education and interaction with agencies and civil society.

#### Research

Director -Police and criminal law related publications

EU anti-terrorist sanctions, in Mitsilegas, V., Bergström M. and Konstadinides T. (eds). Research Handbook in EU Criminal Law, Elgar, 2016.

Oversight of Intelligence Agencies: The European Dimension in Z. K. Goldman and S J. Rascoff (eds), Global Intelligence Oversight: Governing Security in the Twenty-First Century, OUP, 2016.

Report on the Democratic Oversight of Signals Intelligence Agencies, pages 55-95 of Mass Surveillance: Who is watching the watchers, Council of Europe Press, 2016 Telecommunications interception in Sweden, in Ulrich Sieber and Nicolas von zur Mühlen (eds.), Access to Telecommunication Data in Criminal Justice: A Comparative Analysis of European Legal Orders, Max Planck, Berlin, 2016 (611-646).

Deputy Director - police and criminal law related publications (with Mattias Gardell) Report to the National Coordinator against Violent Extremism. The report examines, attacks against refugee centres, the symbiosis between agitation for violence on the internet and what happens in local societies and "lone wolf" actors.

## **Research Applications**

#### Director

Applied for research funding to the Swedish Science Research Council to conduct research in particular on the regulation of surveillance. 014-43244-111283-15, successful, granted November 2016

The Centre's director is a participant in an international project on surveillance coordinated by the University of Dundee, granted research funding by the Nordic Council (Nordforsk) in November 2016

#### **Deputy Director**

Application to the Swedish Science Research Council, "Angry white men" (25% research) granted November 2016

#### Education etc.

Director

Teaching in optional course Police Law

Teaching in History Masters program, extremism and societal protection in historical perspective

Teaching in Criminal Law

Teaching in optional course Criminal Law Theory

Member of the Phd judging panel, protection of data and national security, Copenhagen University, 25 February 2016

**Deputy Director** 

In charge of the History Masters program course, extremism and societal protection in historical perspective

Developed a proposal for an interdisciplinary master's degree program in "social conflicts"

# Conferences, interaction with administrative agencies and other activities

#### **CPR** events

Seminar 25 april on exremism/terrorism and preventive measures, diskussion of the Segerstedtinstitute (Göteborgs universitet) report "Socialt arbete, pedagogik och arbetet mot så kallad våldsbejakande extremism" and two ongoing studies on lone wolves and locally anchored racism

Conference organised together with the Security Police 29-30 September 2016 on terrorism, panel discussions on technological innovations i investigating terrorism, dealing with low-intensity terror, the symbiosis between organised and unorganised means, Foreign fighters and problems in investigating and prosecuting extraterritorial acts of terror, the theological roots of Islamic terror and the way forward – what do we need to know more about and why (80 participants from universities, administrative agencies, local authorities, civil society, the police and the security police)

Seminar 20 October with the National Audit Commission to discuss a draft report evaluting how the Police dealt with the refugee crisis in autumn 2015 and the introduction of temporary border controls

#### Other activities

The Centre participates together with other police research institutes in Scandinavia, in funding the Nordic Journal of Police Law.

The director and deputy director have participated in drafting official commentary on legislative proposals.

Director's other activities related to the CPR

Oral and written testimony to the UK parliament's committee on human rights on the draft law on surveillance (Investigatory powers bill) 27 April

Participated in the Venice Commission delegation to the Polish parliament, government office, Procurator-General, Security Service and Police to investigate the new Polish laws on surveillance 28-29 April

Speaker, Scandinavian-Swedish Criminal Law forum Glasgow, 6-8 May

Venice Commission plenary, Poland - Opinion on the Act of 15 January 2016 amending the Police Act and certain other Acts, adopted by the Venice Commission at its 107th Plenary Session (Venice, 10-11 June 2016) on the basis of comments by Mr Iain CAMERON (Member, Sweden), Ms Regina KIENER (Member, Switzerland), Mr Ben VERMEULEN (Member, the Netherlands) CDL-AD(2016)012-e, opinion adopted 11 June European Society of Criminology, Münster, Tyskland, speaker, panel on police reform, 19-21 September

Moderator, Panel on terrorism, SIPRI konferens, Safe Cities, Stockholm 15-16 September Speaker, conference celebrating 40 years of the Inspectorate for Intelligence Activities, Stockholm 27 oktober,

Speaker (keynote address), Conference organised by the Romanian Judges organisation on oversight of national security, Bucharest, Romania, 30-31 Oktober

Participated in the Venice Commission delegation to the Moldovan parliament, government office, Procurator-General, Security Service and Police to investigate the new Polish laws on surveillance 1-3 November

Venice Commission plenary, Republic of Moldova - Joint Opinion of the Venice Commission and of the Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law (DGI) of the Council of Europe on the Draft Law N°161 amending and completing Moldovan Legislation in the field of Cybercrime, adopted by the Venice Commission at its 109th Plenary Session (Venice, 9-10 December 2016), on the basis of comments by Mr Iain CAMERON (Member, Sweden) Mr Jørgen Steen SØRENSEN (Member, Denmark) Mr Ben VERMEULEN (Member, the Netherlands) Mr Ian LEIGH (Expert DHR, Human Rights National Implementation Division, United Kingdom) Ms Sophie STALLA BOURDILLON (Expert DHR, Media Co-operation Unit, United Kingdom Ms Ioana ALBANI (Expert DGI, Cybercrime Division, Romania) Ms Cristina SCHULMAN (Expert DGI, Cybercrime Division, Romania) CDL-AD(2016)039-e, Opinion adopted 10 December.

Member in the Ethical Council to the National Police Commissioner 2016 (three meetings during 2016)

Deputy Director's other activities related to the CPR

Lectured in courses for the police on extremism

Speaker, conference on asylum policy, Danish-Swedish culture fund, March 16 Presented the Centre and its activities for the Culture Department and the Segerstedt institute April 16

Presented ongoing research on extremism in Almedalen July 16

Took part in a panel debate on extremism, conference organised by the Nordic Council of Ministers, September 16

Participated in and helped organize the national conference on Hate Crime, October Speaker, Norwegian Ombudsman against Discrimination, conference on Hate Crime, November 16

Moderator, session on challenges for research, Centre for Research on Racism, Uppsala November 16

Have written leader articles (op-eds) in the following newspapers and journals, Bohusläningen, Dagens Nyheter, Svenska Dagbladet, Göteborgsposten, Svenska Kommitten mot antisemitism, Feministiskt Perspektiv.