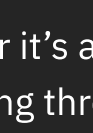




What's Happening in GATHERINGS?

From Living Labs to real impact

SIMPLIFYING EVENT SECURITY



The Security-Privacy-Cost Evaluation Matrix

Planning an event, whether it's a public gathering, workshop, or festival, requires balancing three often competing priorities:

security, privacy, and cost.

How can you ensure safety without overspending or compromising participants' rights?

The **Security-Privacy-Cost Evaluation Matrix** offers a practical, step-by-step solution designed exactly for that.

[Read all about it here](#)

Actionable Knowledge from GATHERINGS

Our Living Labs across Europe are producing insights and tools to support evidence-based, community-driven surveillance policies.

Here's a snapshot of the latest outputs:

Surveillance at Public Gatherings – Key Insights

Surveillance technologies increasingly monitor public gatherings across Europe, but how do people actually feel about it? The GATHERINGS project set out to answer this question through its Living Labs in Austria, Bulgaria, and Greece.

Insights from the Living Labs reveal a nuanced picture.

[Explore the article](#)

[Read the factsheet](#)

Surveillance Impact Report – D2.1

The GATHERINGS project's **Surveillance Impact Report D2.1** offers an in-depth look into how surveillance technologies function in practice at public gatherings across Europe. Through interviews with over 50 security professionals from countries including Austria, Ireland, Greece, and Belgium, the report maps how surveillance assemblages impact safety, privacy, and vulnerable communities.

[Explore the report](#)

Living Labs in Action

The GATHERINGS project takes a unique approach to understanding surveillance at public gatherings through its Living Labs in **Austria, Bulgaria, and Greece**. These real-world experimental environments allow researchers to work directly with citizens, law enforcement, event organisers, and vulnerable groups to explore how surveillance is perceived, experienced, and debated in different local contexts.

Rather than studying public surveillance from a distance, the Living Labs bring diverse voices into the conversation.

[Discover our approach](#)

Database of Practical Knowledge – D6.1

The GATHERINGS project's **Deliverable D6.1 – Database of Practical Knowledge** brings together a rich and diverse collection of lived experiences, stakeholder reflections, and field observations from across Europe. This evolving repository captures **how surveillance is implemented and experienced in practice**, shaping a knowledge base that informs smarter, more ethical approaches to public safety.

[Visit the database](#)

JOIN THE GATHERINGS COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE



The GATHERINGS CoP is designed to unite a broad and diverse group of stakeholders involved in the surveillance of public gatherings—from **law enforcement agencies (LEAs) and local authorities, to event organisers, citizens, NGOs, and technology developers**. Your participation helps build a robust dialogue on the complex balance between **security, privacy, and cost**.

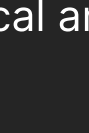
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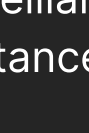
Connect with and learn from leading experts in security and surveillance across Europe;



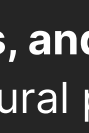
Engage in thematic workshops on topics such as surveillance of Christmas markets, religious gatherings, sports events, or concerts;



Explore the latest tools and innovations for securing public spaces, with a focus on ethical and legal implications;



Discuss key trade-offs in surveillance practices, including privacy rights, community acceptance, and financial feasibility;



Co-create new ideas, initiatives, and projects with a multidisciplinary and multicultural peer network.

[Discover more here](#)

Join the GATHERINGS Community of Practice!

A collaborative space to shape the future of surveillance in public gatherings.

[Join Now](#)

In case you've missed it!

You may have missed it but we'll bring it back to you.

Check out what happened on GATHERINGS!

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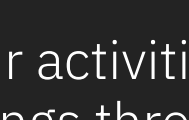
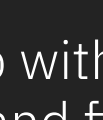
Discover our project and living labs in action!

Curious about the vision behind our project and how it's being brought to life across Europe? Dive into our video playlist to explore the project framework, key work packages, and the real-world impact of our Living Labs.

[Watch the full playlist](#)

[Explore the Living Labs in detail](#)

Our Consortium



Keep up with our activities, events and findings through the **GATHERINGS social media.**

