

# Dendermonde

## Demo space prevention services

### I. Project description

#### A. Context

Since 1997, the local police of the town of Dendermonde disposes of a large demo space with several techno-preventive means around burglary and theft prevention.

#### B. Functioning

In cooperation with several security firms, the local police of the town of Dendermonde set up a demo space that can be visited by appointment and for free by individuals, groups, schools, etc. with the necessary explanation provided by a theft prevention advisor or community guard.

The many techno-preventive means that are displayed are lend to the police by the private companies. When new and better technologies appear on the market, these are replaced to keep the demo space always up-to-date.

In addition, people are informed about the premium for techno-prevention, and those who have become the victim of a burglary are informed in writing for a tour in the demo space. If they do not react to this invitation after a couple of weeks, they will be contacted by phone and invited again.

#### C. Objectives

Raising awareness about the opportunities around burglary and theft prevention.

#### D. Target group

Citizens.

### II. Means

#### Partners:

Private companies supplying the demo material.

#### Cost:

Personnel cost of DPA and two community guards.

### III. Evaluation

There is a great demand from individuals, professionals and governments.

#### Positive points / benefits:

- Large professional offer and advice
- Up-to-date material

- Few costs
- Low threshold and free for citizens

## IV. Transferability

**Attention points:** Making similar agreements with private partners to borrow material will not become any easier in the future.

## V. More info?

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