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Main Theme:
**Changing Perceptions of Citizen Security and
Acceptance of Security-enhancing Interventions**

CONCLUDING STATEMENT

As the 21st century comes into its own, our approach to security needs to take on an international and integrated nature suited to the increased dynamism of the emerging European security culture. The IV. European Security Conference Initiative (ESCI), taking place on 4-5 March 2010 dedicated itself to these topics, fully hosting the Final Symposium of the European security research project “Changing Perceptions of Security and Interventions” (CPSI, <http://www.cpsi-fp7.eu>). Almost 30 speakers from 15 countries, including representation of the current Spanish Presidency of the Council of the European Union, brought together perspectives from academics, think tanks, politics and industry. Panelists and contributions from the floor emphasized the role of cultural knowledge blended with technology-based information and called for expanding on professional training, especially in policing and disaster response. The increasing relevance of and attention to ethical issues in security research was also addressed. Contributions from security industry posed challenging questions, such as: What will be the psychological and social development and in which way will it have impact on security? Are the people aware about the realistic security situation? Do technological solutions contribute to the creation fear? The conference programme, selected presentations and videos are available on the conference website <http://www.esci.at>, where also a report will be published.