Privatisation of security services and analysis of activities of private security agencies in the contemporary world

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Author deals first with private security as enterprise and with the privatisation of security services by making reference to the domestic and foreign scientific and professional literature. He then analyses the activities, jobs and tasks of private security agencies, referring to research conducted in the frame of his doctoral thesis. Special consideration and analysis are devoted to the activity of private security services in the Republic of Slovenia, comparing it with the same activity carried out in Austria, the Czech Republic, Croatia, Hungary, Canada, Germany, Poland and in Slovakia. He also deals with co-operation between the police and private security agencies in the Republic of Slovenia. In conclusion, he presents and defines a delineation of activities, jobs and tasks between the police and private security agencies.

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