

# Conference Themes

## The Social Agenda

Here we overview the big social trends expected in communities around the world. Particular attention will then be paid to the question of security and privacy. Can we have both – or is it a zero sum situation?

## International Governance

The nature of the international system, including its governance, is changing. Will the uni-polar world persist? How might the roles of the state and non state actors evolve? In what ways might the international legal system develop? And what might this mean for the roles and reach of policing?

## Environment change

There is little doubt that the 21st century will see a prolonged period of global warming. The impacts for society will be profound, posing fundamental challenges around international and human security, and how societies live. But what are the characteristics of these impacts and what might be the connections with and implications for international policing?

## The Science Futures

Biotechnology is fast turning science fiction into reality. We may be on a path where what it means to be human changes. At the very least biotechnology developments are creating a wealth of future opportunities which will impact on societies around the world. What might be the impacts on crime and policing? And what should we be doing now to try and prepare?

## Revolutionary Times

We live in profoundly revolutionary times where the pace of change in spheres such as science and technology, economics, politics, and the environment is unparalleled in history. Here we take a journey into some of the possible futures these revolutions might deliver and provide a context for considering international policing as it moves toward 2020.

## Mass migration and human security

Mass migration in the 21st century and its meanings for human security will be shaped by many powerful factors, including natural resource scarcity, severe weather patterns, civil disturbance and increasing urbanisation. How important might this area be? And what will it demand of policing's international systems and interactions?

## Power of the Digital Age

Information and communication technologies are revolutionising not only the way people live, work and interact but their very identity. We consider some key dimensions of the digital age and its revolutionary implications for international policing, including the converging realities of the cyber and real worlds, changing global information business paradigms and leading edge policing strategies.

## Bringing it all together

Experience the modern version of the Socratic method in the final session as we use a dialogue to bring together and synthesise all the insights from the previous two days in the form of a hypothetical.

## Weak States

The issue of weak states, in which one third of the world's poor reside, is complex. We examine some aspects of traditional security solutions, their future applicability and how policing might develop as part of the international response.