

The Management of Risk in Law Enforcement (MoRiLE) programme – to what extent can it help policing meet the challenges of modernity?

This project will explore to what extent the Management of Risk in Law Enforcement (MoRiLE) programme can help policing meet the challenges of modernity?

Key details

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Police region	North West
Level of research	PhD
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Research context

The research approach is qualitative and interpretive.

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1. critically examine risk theory and industry principles in relation to resource prioritisation by public institutions in the modern era
2. critically assess the current UK law enforcement operating environment and the necessity for new ways of managing risk
3. critically examine MoRiLE's ambition statement, programme principles and approach

4. critically analyse whether MoRiLE can provide new insights into risk management and deliver new solutions for identifying and managing risks

The researcher will achieve his aims by:

1. carrying out a systematic review of relevant literatures (he is particularly interested in the concept of the risk society but the literature search will not be confined to that topic)
2. surveying police and other professionals
3. interviewing a smaller group of police and other professionals (including the MoRiLE project team, senior police officers, and senior members of stakeholder groups) critically analysing empirical data in the context of the extant literature

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