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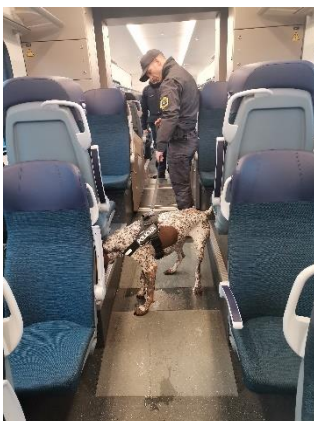
Press Release **28th Crime Prevention Week.**

RAILPOL, the European Association of Organisations responsible for policing the railways in Europe, organised the **28th Crime Prevention Week** on November. It took place from **4th to 10th of November 2024**. The operation Crime Prevention Week is succeeding the previous **24Blue Rail action day** and is extended to a period of one week. The RED LINE of this edition was *Thefts from persons*.



The Crime Prevention Week could be organised over a week by the members based on their own legislation and priorities but above all, according to their strategy, their challenges and their available implementation capacities.

16 RAILPOL members focused on the prevention of any threat but also on the challenge of tackling cross-border crimes, especially *ID-checks and thefts from persons*. Therefore, the main goal was to reinforce the cooperation of the different railway police forces. Participants focused on checking train stations and trains to prevent potential threats. Identity checks have also been conducted. This operation allows each country to review its crime-fighting methods and techniques.



From one operation to the next, the results allow all members to get an overview of their work but also their collaboration with the different railway police forces.

All together **23.519** police officers were involved in the operation and **62.143** ID-checks has been conducted. **5.455** persons with criminal records and **331** wanted persons were identified. **43** persons were arrested for thefts for a total of **106** thefts reported in trains and stations. The officers seized a total of **612,6** grams of soft and hard drugs. Detected were **793** irregular migrants.

