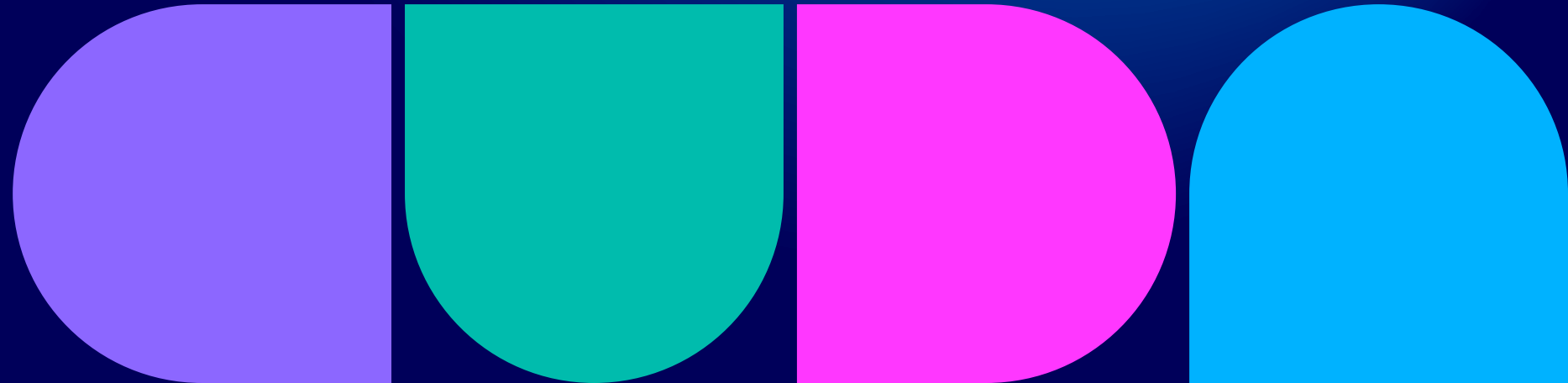


# European Conference on Drug-Related Violence

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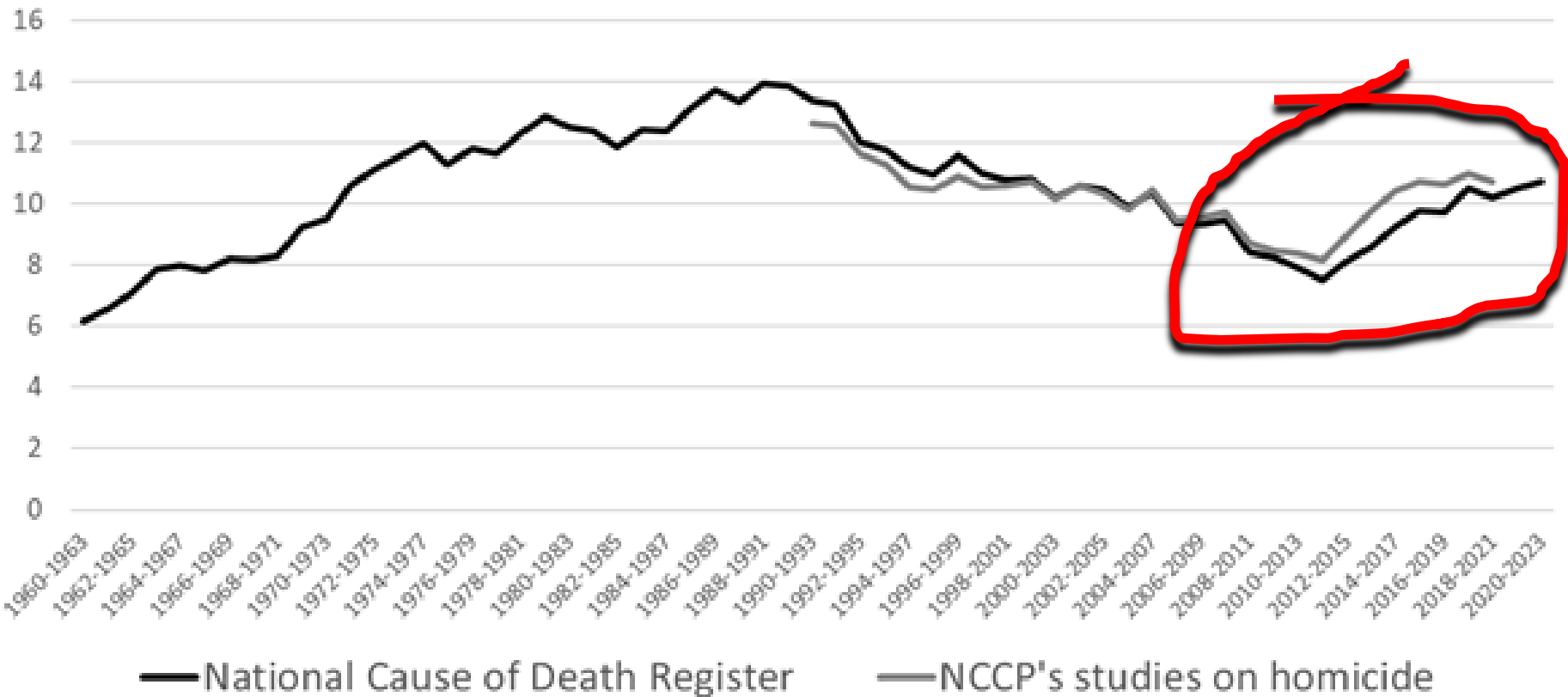
# The Swedish National Council for Crime Prevention

(Brottsförebyggande rådet – Brå)

A public agency under the Ministry of Justice

*The benefits of a Focused deterrence strategy  
to tackle lethal violence related to criminal  
milieus in Sweden*

## Homicide in Sweden (number of victims per million inhabitants, moving 4-year average)





# Reduction in homicide, using focused deterrence strategies



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reduction in homicides through Project Safe Neighborhoods



Indianapolis

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reduction in gun homicide through Stockton Operation Peacekeeper, 1997-2002

## Wiseburd and Braga, 2012

Focused deterrence strategies are associated with an overall statistically significant, medium-sized crime reduction effect and that this approach seems very promising.

## GVI and Focused deterrence, what is it?

- Analysis of groups and group members
- Communication
- An offer to help
- Violent behaviour results in immediate sanctions

## Shootings in Malmö prior to, and after implementation of "Sluta skjut"

	Shootings per month, average	Grouprelated shootings per month, average	Shootings	Dif. Compared to 2018
2017	5,4	3,2		
2018	3,9	2,3	47	
2019	2,4	1,3	29	-38%
2020	1,6	1,3	19	-60%
2021	1,4	1,2	17	-64%
2022	2,2	1,3	26	-45%

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# New research and recommendations on focused deterrence from:

- European Crime Prevention Network (EUCPN)
- Campbell Collaboration
- SBU, Swedish Agency for Health Technology Assessment and Assessment of Social Services
- RAND
- College of Policing
- Youth Endowment Fund
- Center for Problem Oriented Policing
- National Institute of Justice, USA
- Bureau of Justice Assistance, USA
- Public Safety Canada

# Challenges

- Younger people more involved
- Remote steering of the violence
- Getting community involvement right
- Efficiency in response to violence (both law enforcement and social support)

# EFFECTIVE AND INNOVATIVE CRIME PREVENTION IS BASED ON KNOWLEDGE of:

- the problem,
- the causes and mechanisms of the problem,
- existing measures to tackle the problem,
- trials and evaluations of preventive efforts,

AND

- most of the time a multiagency task!