



"This book is the business case for the police in new times. It is written with great compassion and competence".

Leon Kuijs

CHIEF CONSTABLE IN THE REGION BZO



"The shift from the physical to the virtual paradigm offers tremendous challenges for policing in the 21th century. This book can be used as a convincing guide to find your way in this new era".

Drs. Wim Broer

PROGRAM DIRECTOR VIRTUAL POLICE FORCE



"Break out! is a great book with exciting views in the future. I reads like a movie as you see the future happening right before your eyes. It is a realistic scenario for policing in which the future vision on technology, intelligence and information sharing with the "outside world", can be seen as an accelerator to improve security of our present and future society".

Ruud Bik

CHIEF CONSTABLE NATIONAL POLICEFORCE

The title of this book: 'Break out! Living in the new unreality', can be taken literally for police officers. Outside of work we are already living in the information space or the new reality. It's the reality of the criminal world, it's the reality of our home situation and the very people we are here to protect and serve. But when we go to work we put these 4 walls around us, put our uniforms on, we use the internal wired information stream protected by a strong firewall and we emerge ourselves into a 'bubble of unreality'. Living in our unreal bubble, how can we continue to 'protect and serve' those who live in a global village? And what leadership does it take to reconfigure the organisation. Furthermore, how will the police adapt to the transformation towards an information - and networking society and redefine strategic paradigms to enable to create a sustainable business for the next decades? What is the future of criminology and crime fighting in an open connected world? These are the big questions this book gives you to consider.

This book gives a direction to the way forward and leaves the reader with a couple of big questions to be answered. This book is being praised for modern managers working on social security issues around the world.

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