

Crime prevention at the new train station in Bern



The Swiss Federal Railways (SBB) train station in Bern is undergoing a gradual transformation: larger, more comfortable, and more pleasant. During the planning phase, we at EBP examined ways of enhancing future security at the site.

We first assessed the security situation at the current SBB train station in Bern, with the express aim of identifying any specific security threats.

Objective security and subjective perceptions of security

Our main task was then to use the latest planning data (drawings, journals, interview results) to assess expected objective security and expected subjective perceptions of security at the new train station. The focus here was on the new station building itself and the immediate vicinity of the train station, particularly those areas near the entranceways.

Workshops lead to 51 security-enhancement proposals

Our crime-prevention assessment was based primarily on two workshops, each of which involved the participation of around 20 crime-prevention experts, including, for instance, experts from various SBB units, police officers from the Bern Cantonal Police Department and members of Bern's Prevention, Intervention and Tolerance (PINTO) team.

The workshop results included 51 conceptual, structural, technical and operational security-enhancement proposals, as well as other recommendations for improving security at the train station that would warrant consideration in the further

Client

SBB Immobilien AG

Facts

Period	2018 - 2019
Project Country	Switzerland
Enhancement proposals	51
Cost of expansion step 1	Approx. CHF 1 billion
Participating experts	25

Contact persons

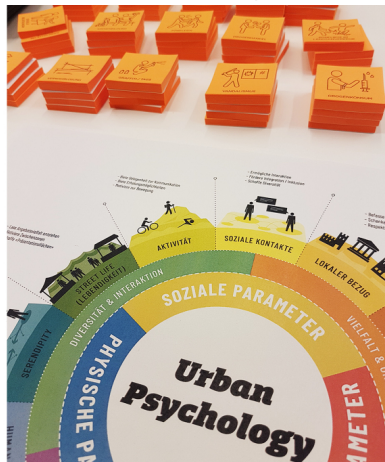
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course of planning.

Valuable input and support was also provided by our own EBP specialists working in the area of urban psychology, and by **Christian Weicht**, a renowned crime-prevention expert.

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Urban psychology meets crime prevention



Internal workshop at EBP with our urban-psychology team



Virtual walk-through of the new train station in our showroom



Discussions of daytime and nighttime security moderated by EBP, including workshops



Preliminary findings concerning daytime and nighttime security



Discussion of preliminary findings with Christian Weicht



The Bern train station around 80 years ago



Showroom presentation of a model of the new train station