

Councillor of Interior Josep Marí, Chief of Formentera Local Police Félix Ramos and Police Liaison Officer Pilar Daviu visited the Eivissa campus of the University of the Balearic Islands for an award ceremony hosted by the Institute of Public Security of the Balearic Islands (*Institut de Seguretat Pùblica de les Illes Balears/ISPIB*
), a division of the Directorate General of Emergencies and Interior.

Special honours were awarded to the Consell de Formentera and to the town councils of Eivissa, Sant Antoni de Portmany, Santa Eulària des Riu and Sant Josep de sa Talaia; two certificates of public acknowledgement for outstanding efforts and more than ten years of service went to liaison officers in the towns of Eivissa and Sant Josep, and special mention was received by the territorial coordinator of the Eivissa Local Police Department's Road Education programme, Alberto Serrano.

Eleven distinctions highlighted the work of Pine Islands local police for their dedication to the programmes which the ISPIB coordinates, particularly during the pandemic. Councillor Marí wished to “congratulate Officers Daviu and Serrano for their achievements and the accolades received, as well as our island's entire force for their extra efforts in times which the pandemic made particularly trying”.

The Director General of Emergencies and Interior, Jaume Barceló, underscored the officers' vocation for public service, especially during the pandemic, and said that “from the moment COVID-19 pushed us to activate the Territorial Civil Protection Plan, our local departments have been key to controlling the pandemic through patrols and enforcement of measures to mitigate the effects of the disease and stop its spread”.

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