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Season's Greetings

Fundamental issues are revealed at CEP and DBH conference in Frankfurt



Probation services in Europe face similar issues in their practice and dealing with measures of the European Union and the Council of Europe. The conference that took place on December 1st to 3rd in Frankfurt exemplified this reality. It was organized by DBH, the German probation trade association, in cooperation with CEP and other German speaking countries. The conference had a European perspective with a sizable CEP delegation and participants from non-German speaking countries.

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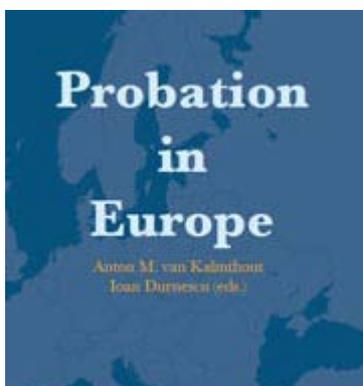
A business case to encourage services to prisoners held abroad

Rolf Streng, head of Bureau Buitenland, and John Walters, member of the board of Prisoners Abroad, co-wrote a business case that focuses on services for men and women in foreign prisons. As members of the CEP Special Interest Group they have an important message: Prisoners who come back after their release are entitled to supervision and support in order to make reintegration into society possible. Moreover, providing resettlement services is an excellent way to reduce the costs of recidivism when offenders return home.



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The essential guide to probation in Europe is now online



In November 2008 a comprehensive survey of probation systems and services in Europe was published under the wing of CEP. The website now hosts the individual chapters of this book entitled Probation in Europe, edited by Anton van Kalmthout and Ioan Durnescu. Esteemed scholars and experts from 32 European countries have described the lay out of their probation systems. A uniform format allows the reader to easily compare the individual services.

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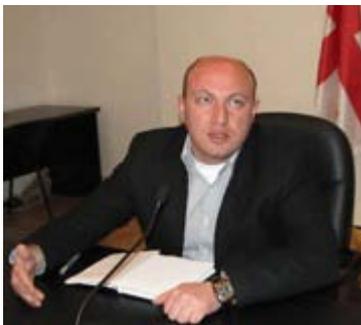
CEP's personal approach

On the 24th of November 2010, prior to the STARR project conference in Paris, a CEP delegation, including the President Marc Cerón met with the French General Director of the Prison Service. Mr. Lathoud. CEP President Marc Cerón believes it is important to stay in touch with members. "I speak for the entire Board when I say that we want to be close to our members," explains Marc Cerón. "We like to hear ideas, proposals and problems first hand."

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CEP welcomes Georgia and universities as new members



In recent months CEP has accepted several new members to its network. Mr. Giorgi Tvauri Head of Georgian National Probation Agency clarified the Service's reasons for becoming a member in an interview. "The Georgian probation system is younger than the European counterparts," says Mr. Tvauri. "Being a member of CEP will help us to establish direct contact with the representatives of the probation services of European countries and share experiences with them."

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The Board refines CEP's goals and strategy

In the year 2010 some major developments took place for the CEP. The members who attended the 10th General Assembly, determined the 'Malaga Mandate'; providing the guide for CEP's objectives and actions. The Malaga Mandate has now resulted into a strategy document that outlines the a

the entire Board.

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Miscellaneous News



At the offices, CEP regularly receives (e)mail on events, publications and developments in the field of probation in Europe and even beyond. As some of these items may be of interest of our member organizations, CEP brings you a selection of this news.

In this article you will find information concerning American programs, the European Offender Employment Forum 2011 and about publications on women in community service, a criminology manual and a SCCJR report on short term imprisonment.

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