

## The introduction of probation in Ukraine



A well-functioning probation system is one of the pre-requisites for Ukraine's accession to the EU. Aside from the political demands, the establishment of a full-scale probation system will solve several pressing issues in Ukraine.

In the last few years, Ukraine has taken significant steps towards the introduction of probation.

[Read more about the road to implementation of probation in Ukraine here >>](#)

## Conferences you shouldn't miss!

### **2nd International Criminal Justice Summer Course, Barcelona**

The Criminal Justice Platform Europe (CJPE) is organising the second edition of the International Criminal Justice Summer Course in Barcelona from the 3rd until the 6th of July 2018 in the Centre for Legal Studies and Specialised Training, Barcelona. Registration is now open! An early bird fee is available until the 15th of April.

### **7th SPECTO conference, Timisoara**

On the 13th and 14th of September 2018, CEP and the West University of Timisoara organise the 7th edition of International Conference Multidisciplinary Perspectives in the Quasi-Coercive Treatment of Offenders (SPECTO). The conference will be held in Timisoara, Romania.

### **Reframing Sexual Abuse: Practical Directions, Riga**

The conference 'Reframing Sexual Abuse: Practical Directions' will be held on the 22nd and 23rd of November 2018. The conference will be facilitated by the CEP and spearheaded by the Latvian Probation Service and the Latvian Prison Administration. It is aimed at practitioners, mainly probation staff.



## The importance of multi-agency and partnership working in the field of sexual abuse



Sexual abuse is an international and transnational issue (See the UN and EU for ongoing debates as well as projects), which makes it a complex challenge to prevent as well as respond to. Sexual abuse being a global norm means that we need to get better at communicating around the issue as a worldwide community, but also as a professional community as well. We need to break out of our silos and work in partnership.

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## Yellow Ribbon Run Prague: a run for reintegration of ex-offenders

Honza spent three years in prison. After his release he wanted to close the door to his criminal past. Together with his mom, he decided to join the Yellow Ribbon Run to open the door to a better future. The Czech Probation Service organises the Yellow Ribbon Run to raise awareness for the difficult employability of ex-offenders and their struggle with reintegration back into society. Last year was a great success and at the moment they are looking for runners for this years edition!



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## Alternative sanctions for young delinquent refugees in Schleswig-Holstein



Refugee policy in Germany and Europe was a central topic in the media and controversially discussed in 2015 and 2016. At the same time, debates within the judiciary on how to deal with refugees who offend against the law started.

The article outlines Schleswig-Holstein's process of developing and implementing alternative ambulant sanctions for delinquent young refugees. It discusses key criminological findings concerning the specific target group that were part of a scientific analysis delivered by the Schleswig-Holsteinischer Verband für soziale Straffälligenhilfe; Straffälligen- und Opferhilfe e.V.. This also includes recommendations for targeted alternative sanctions for delinquent young refugees in Schleswig-Holstein.

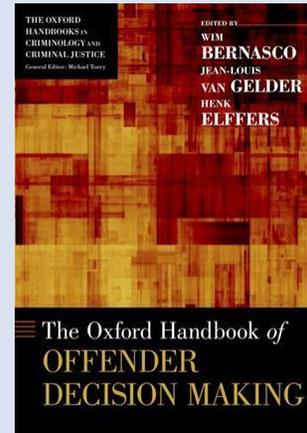
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## The Oxford Handbook of Offender Decision Making

The Oxford Handbook of Offender Decision Making is a book written by researchers Wim Bernasco, Jean-Louis van Gelder and Henk Elffers. It provides reviews of the main paradigms in offender decision-making, such as rational choice theory and dual-process theory.

The book does not only include information about the decision to get involved in criminal behaviour, but also about the choice of victims, locations and methods, time as well as large variety crimes including homicide, robbery, domestic violence, burglary, street crime, sexual crimes, and cybercrime.

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## A new target group in probation: cybercrime offenders



Probation Officers in the Netherlands noticed an increase of 'atypical' clients: offenders convicted of cybercrime. "How do we deal with this new category of clients?", is what they asked their policy advisors. Jelle van Triest set up the National Expertise Network Cybercrime for the Dutch Probation Service when he worked there as a Policy Advisor (he currently works as a Policy Advisor for the Dutch Ministry of Justice). In his National Expertise Network Cybercrime he combined scientific research, specialist expertise and daily practice. We asked him five questions about the network.

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## Interagency working and three initiatives for improved outcomes

In recent years the Irish Prison Service (IPS), in partnership with the Department of Justice and Equality, third sector organisations and other Criminal Justice Agencies (CJAs), namely the Probation Service and An Garda Síochána, has developed three welcome initiatives to engage with different cohorts of prisoners. All of the initiatives have a post-release supervision or support component, as well as a strong focus on interagency working.

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