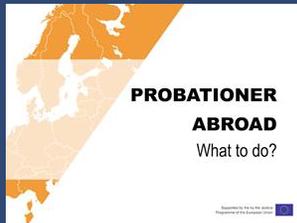


Framework Decisions Expert Meeting Presentations now online!



33 participants from 17 countries gathered in Brussels, Belgium for the 4th edition of the Framework Decisions Expert Meeting on the 25th of September 2018. The meeting was organised to support and promote the implementation of the Framework Decisions throughout Europe and make recommendations/actions on how to enhance the implementation. The meeting was kindly hosted by Maisons de Justice, the probation service for the French speaking part of Belgium.

Since the last Expert Meeting in September 2017, CEP has worked hard on the actions that were agreed upon during this meeting. A questionnaire was sent out and an analysis was made. CEP also produced a leaflet for the offenders, an informative guideline for probation officers and an animation video about the framework decisions on probation. These were presented during the meeting by CEP Policy Officer Maria Lindström. These are all preliminary versions of the materials. After the meeting, the participants are given the chance to suggest improvements.

[Read more about the 4th Framework Decisions Expert Meeting >>](#)

Conferences you shouldn't miss!

[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.

[Fourth World Congress on Probation, Sydney, Australia](#)

The Corrective Services NSW has the honour to organise the fourth edition of the World Congress on Probation from the 18th until the 20th of September 2019 in Sydney, Australia. "We are proud to be hosting this event and are looking forward to showcasing how we manage offenders in the community."



New system maps available: Slovakia, Sweden and Denmark!



To understand the ways in which different European jurisdictions arrange and deliver the case management of accused persons and convicted offenders within correctional systems, the CEP has created case management system maps.

We recently added new system maps to the collection: Slovakia, Sweden and Denmark!

You can find the new system maps and all the others on the [CEP website](#).

The International Desk of the Dutch Probation Service: What we do and how we work

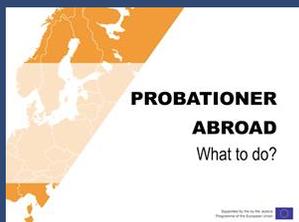
The International Desk was founded in 2012. We perform executive, coordinating and advisory work regarding the transfers of probation measures within the European Union.

It was anticipated that the amount of transfer cases that the probation officers need to deal with would increase, that's why the Netherlands opted for an International Desk as a source for information for probation officers nationwide. We support probation workers with information and advice on the European Framework Decisions 947, 829 and to a lesser extent 909. In concrete terms, this means that we provide them with information about the feasibility of conditional sentences in other EU countries.



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Probationer abroad? What to do? CEP Framework Decisions Informative materials



"How do we make the framework decisions easy to understand for every probation officer?" is what we wanted to know? During the Framework Decisions Expert Meeting in September 2017, we asked the participants for ideas. The outcome? An informative flyer for the offenders, a simple guideline for probation officers and an animation movie.

Please note that we asked the participants of the Framework Decisions Expert Meeting in September 2018 for feedback on the documents. This means the documents shown below are preliminary editions.

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A new project: Probation Observatory. Network and Training (PONT)!

Although they were adopted in 2008 and 2009, the Council of Europe Framework Decision 2008/947/JHA and Framework Decision 2009/829/JHA (FDs, in short), are still underused by the member states. For example, in 2017 FD 2008/947 was only used in 369 incoming cases and 396 outgoing cases. Despite a small progress in 2018 (544 incoming cases and 548 outgoing cases), its potential is far from being fulfilled. The use of FD 2009/829 is even more critical. Statistical data regarding its utilisation is not even available as there is no dedicated agency dealing with it in the member states.



In order to enhance the use of these two FDs, the European Commission through DG Justice Grants decided to fund the project Probation Observatory. Network and Training (PONT), initiated by the University of Bucharest, in partnership with University Loyola Andalucía, University of Latvia, Ministry of Justice Bremen and the Confederation of European Probation (CEP).

[Read more about the PONT project >>](#)

Beyond Surrender: Fair Trials puts human rights on the agenda of the European Arrest Warrant



This article is written by Ralph Bunch, Regional Director Europe of Fair Trials. Fair Trials highlights the urgent need for pre-trial detention reform in order to address human rights concerns in the operation of the European Arrest Warrant (EAW) and ensure implementation of the European Supervision Order (ESO).

In June 2018, Fair Trials released its latest report into the operation of the European Arrest Warrant (EAW), *Beyond Surrender: Putting Human Rights at the Heart of the European Arrest Warrant*. This report presented the findings of a two-year research project conducted by Fair Trials and partners in Spain, Poland, Lithuania and Romania that sought to place the operation of the EAW in the context of the people against whom it has been used. A short documentary film was released accompanying the report.

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