

Probation and restorative justice as alternatives to detention within the European Framework

23-25 May 2023

Bratislava, Slovakia

*The conference is held under the auspices of the President of the Slovak Republic
Zuzana Čaputová.*

Tuesday 23 May 2023

17:30 – 21:00 **Welcome reception at the Historical Building of the National
Council of the Slovak Republic**

Wednesday 24 May 2023

Chair of the conference: Jana Špero, CEP Secretary General

8:30 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 9:40 Welcome and opening
Ms. Jana Špero, CEP Secretary General
Mr. Viliam Karas, Minister of Justice, Slovak Republic

**9:40 – 10:20 Development and limits of the Probation and Mediation Service
within the framework of the Slovak Republic**
Mr. Vladimír Cehlár, Ministry of Justice, Slovakia

**10:20 – 11:00 Alter Your Life Path: offenders´ rehabilitation from Czech
perspective**
Ms. Andrea Matoušková, Probation and Mediation Service, Czech Republic

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee/ Tea Break

11:30 – 12:15 Workshop sessions
a) Effective communication as a basic professional skill
Mr. Jānis Zārđiņš, Latvian Probation Service, Latvia
b) Probation services as evolving organizations
Mr. Goran Brkic, Ministry of Justice and Public Administration, Croatia



- 12:15 – 12:30** **Short break**
- 12:30 – 13:15** **Workshop sessions repeated**
- 13:15 – 14:15** Lunch
- 14:15 – 15:00** **Probation and alternatives in Europe – overview**
Ms. Iuliana Carbutaru, Ministry of Justice, Romania
- 15:00 – 16:00** **Lessons learned: current and future challenges - Roundtable**
- 16:00 – 16:30** **Closing of the first day with Coffee / Tea Break**
- 19:30 – 22:00** **Dinner**

Thursday 25 May 2023

- 9:00 – 10:30** **World Café session**
- 10:30 – 11:00** Coffee / Tea Break / Check-out time
- 11:00 – 11:45** **Alternatives in Belgian practice: usefulness, effectiveness, limits**
Ms. Annie Devos, House of Justice, Belgium
- 11:45 – 12:30** **Drug Court as a Substitute to Detention**
Ms. Ingunn Seim, Norwegian Correctional Service, Norway
- 12.30 – 13.00** **Summary and closing words**
Ms. Annie Devos, CEP President
Ms. Jana Špero, CEP Secretary General
- 13.00 -** Lunch and departure

