

15th CEP General Assembly and Conference

Gender-Based Violence in Probation: Challenges and Lessons Learned

14-16 October 2025, Vienna, Austria, Arcotel Wimberger

Tuesday 14 October 2025

19:00 – 21:00 **Welcome reception in the Ministry of Justice**

Wednesday 15 October 2025

08:00 – 13:00 **General Assembly**

13:00 – 14:00 **Lunch**

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Wednesday 15 October 2025

Chair of the conference: *Jana Špero Kamenjarin, CEP Secretary General*

13:00 – 14:00 **Registration**

14:00 – 14:30 **Opening and Welcome**
Minister of Justice, Austria (tbc)
Representative of NEUSTART, Austria (tbc)
CEP President

14:30 – 14:50 **Gender-Based Violence: Priority in EU**
Representative of the European Commission (tbc)

14:50 – 15:20 **Working with Gender-Based Violence: Austrian model**
Dina Nachbaur, NEUSTART, Austria

- 15:20 – 16:00** **Gender-Based Violence as Rising Challenge in Europe**
Kieran McCartan, CEP Expert Group on Gender-Based Violence, England and Wales
- 16:30 – 19:00** **Leave for the Sightseeing tour**
- 19:30 – 23:00** **Conference dinner and CEP Awards Ceremony**

Thursday 16 October 2025

- 09:00 – 09:30** **Work with Perpetrators European Network**
Berta Vall, Work With Perpetrators EN, Catalonia-Spain
- 09:30 – 10:45** **Parallel workshop sessions:**
- a) Workshop A
Good Practices: Clients in Probation-Based Rehabilitation Programs for Gender-Based Violence
Jan Vrkoc, The National Working Group for Offender Related Programmes in Cases of Domestic Violence, Germany
Saskia Pagell, Ministry of Social Affairs Schleswig-Holstein, Germany
 - b) Workshop B
Interagency Cooperation regarding GBV-related Probation Clients: Working Together for Better Results
Jako Salla, Prison and Probation Service, Estonia
Endika Biota, Basque Country Penalty Management Service, Basque Country-Spain
 - c) Workshop C
Restorative Justice and Victim-Centered Perspectives of GBV
Edit Törzs, European Forum for Restorative Justice, Belgium
Marta Ferrer, Generalitat de Catalunya, Catalonia-Spain
- 10:45 – 11:15** **Coffee Break**
- 11:15 – 12:30** **Workshops repeated**

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch

13:30 – 14:30

RoundTable: How do we address Gender-Based Violence in Probation?

Annie Devos, Houses of Justice, Belgium

Pia Andersson, Prison and Probation Service of Finland

Žilvinas Miliuskas, Lithuanian Probation Agency, Lithuania

Fatih Güngör, General Directorate of Prisons and Detention Houses, Türkiye

Chairs: *Anna Esquerrà Roqueta and Daniel Danglades*

14:30 – 15:00

Summary and Closing Words

CEP President

Jana Špero Kamenjarin, CEP Secretary General