



THE COURTS
OF NORWAY

Bridging Worlds – Reflections from a Court's perspective.

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Courts of Norway



What I Will Speak About

- Brief presentation of Norway's use of technology in corrections
- Cultural Integration – The Importance of Trust



From ...



To ...



The Norwegian Courts

- The Supreme Court
- 6 Courts of Appeal
- 23 District Courts
- 19 Land Consolidation Courts
- 356 Consolidation Boards
 - Mediators with limited Court authority

(the Rooftop of Borgarting Court of Appeal)





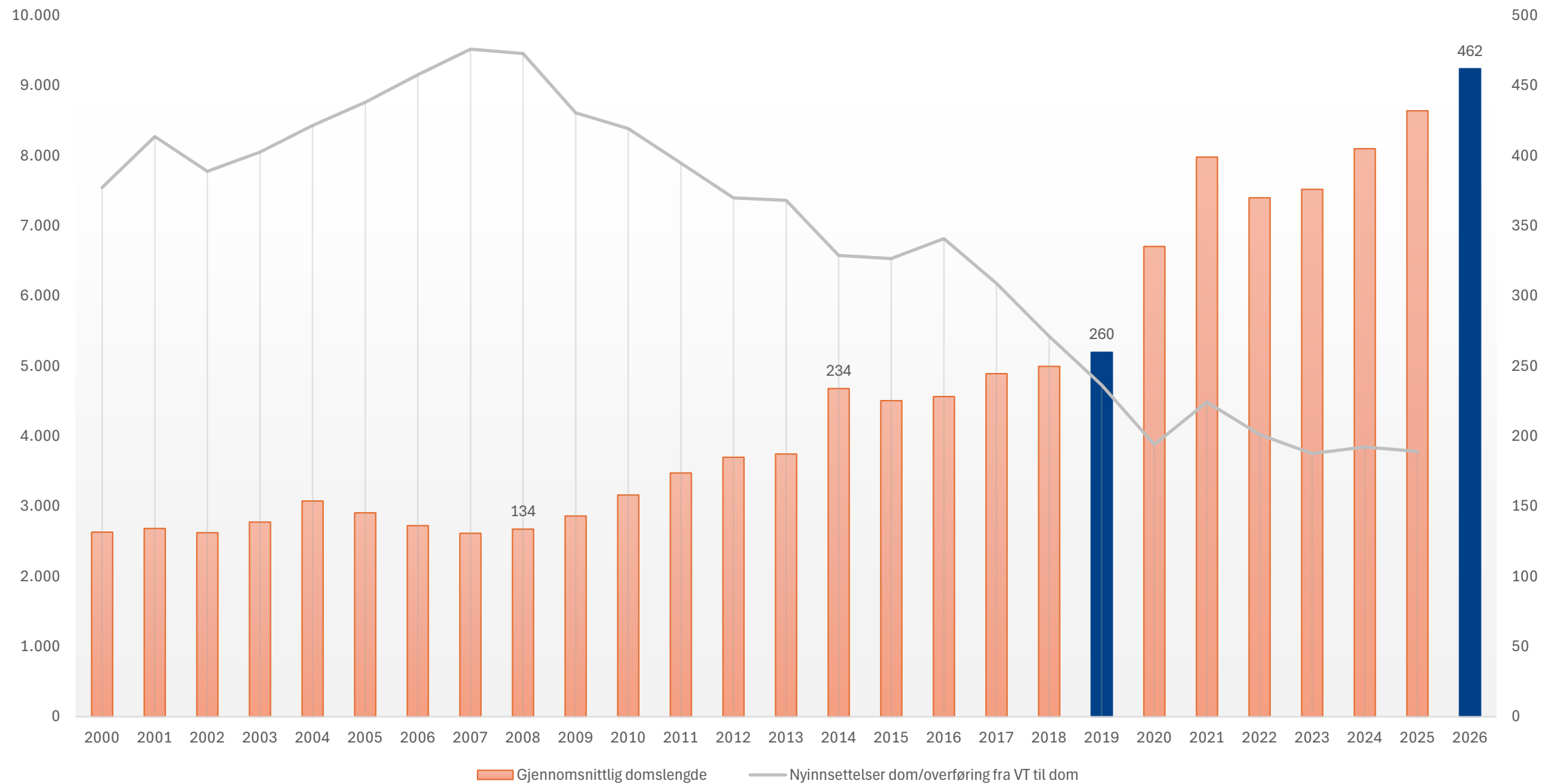
Kriminalomsorgen

Challenges in the Norwegian Correctional Service

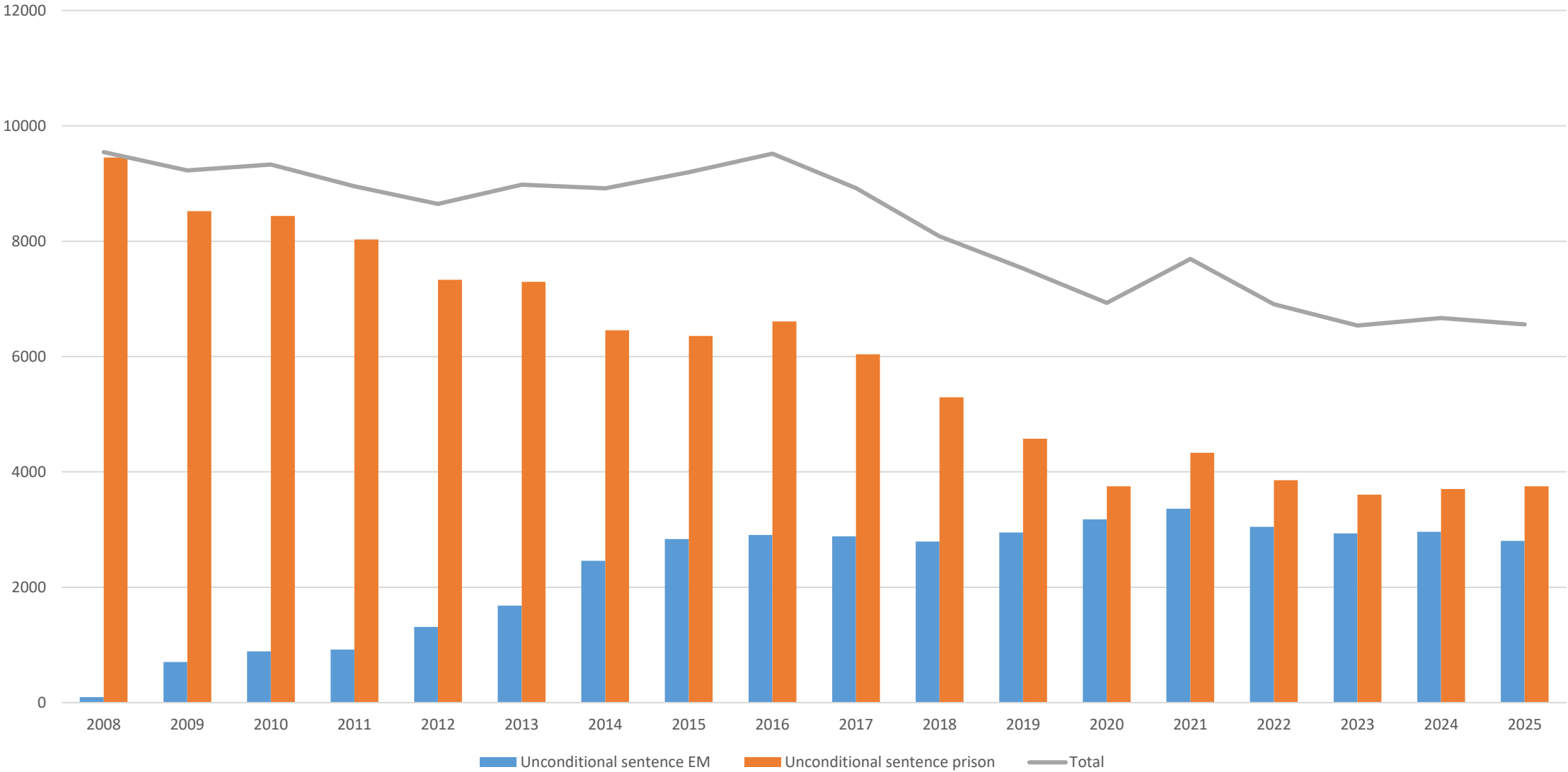
- More complex crime landscape
- Growing pressure on the criminal justice system
- Lack of staff
- Lack of capacity
- Need of prisons upgrades and maintenance
- Limited budget



Development in sentence length and number



Development EM vs prisons 2008-2025



Major proposals in the consultation paper

6 → 12

months

BACK-DOOR EM

Open to all offender groups

Individual assessment replaces
offence-based exclusions

6 → 9

months

FRONT-DOOR EM

Whole sentence served at home

A more careful expansion

< 25

years

OFFENDERS UNDER 25

Step model

The younger the offender,
the broader the access

New

legal basis

DIGITAL CONTROL

Community sentences, leave, parole
Also from preventive detention

Video meetings, remote alcohol tests

✓ Always based on an individual assessment of risk, need and purpose of the sentence

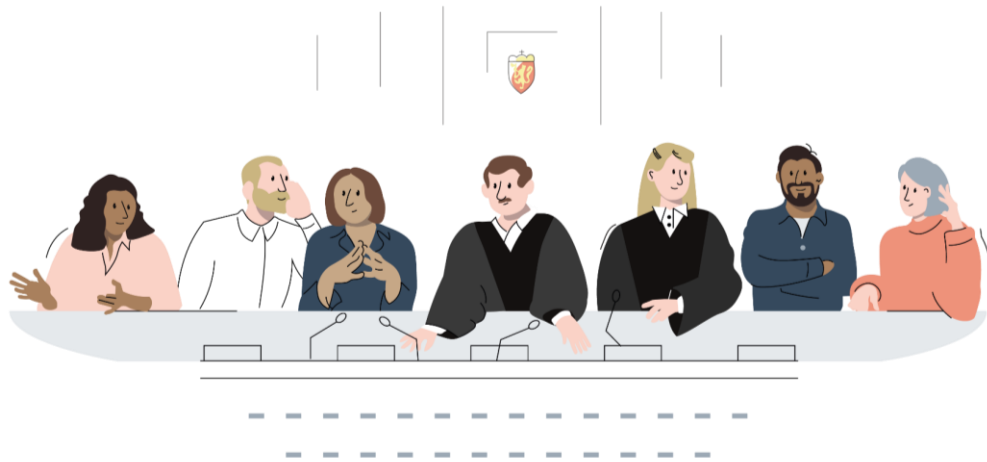
Cultural Integration – The Trust Dimension

- Within the Penal/Judicial Chain
- Within the Public



Cooperation Within the Penal/Judicial Chain

- Different Roles
- Shared goals?



Trust Within The Public

- Communication
- Transparency



Dilemmas?

- Role Clarity
- Political Support



Thank you for the attention!

