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IJJO DAY BY DAY

23/05/2014
INTERNATIONAL
OIJJ
The Conference was held on the 27th-28th March, 2014 in Dubrovnik, Croatia to evaluate the first years of implementation of the Council of Europe Strategy for the Rights of the Child, which has been adopted by the Committee of Ministers in February, 2012. The IJJO was pleased to take part in the event hosted by the Ministry of Social Policy and Youth of the Republic of Croatia. [+]  

16/05/2014
INTERNATIONAL
The IJJO Takes Part in the Regional Seminar of the Programme Children without Bars organised by the International Catholic Child Bureau (BICE) in Lima
OIJJ
From March 30th to April 3rd, 2014, the BICE, in collaboration with the NGO Compromiso desde la Infancia y Adolescencia (COMETA) and the Arequipa Prisons Observatory (OPA), organized the "Regional Seminar of the Programme Children without Bars" in Lima, Peru, in which the IJJO had the opportunity to participate and to moderate a panel. [+]  

09/05/2014
EUROPEAN UNION
The IJJO Participates in the First Meeting of the Project ‘Juvenile Offenders Detention Alternative in Europe’ (J.O.D.A)
OIJJ
The IJJO has participated in the first transnational meeting of the ‘Juvenile Offenders Detention Alternative in Europe’ project, which was held from the 4th to the 5th of March 2014 in Verona. [+]  

Fundamental rights-based police training – A manual for police trainers
OIJJ
From the 3rd to the 5th December 2013, the Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA) hosted a workshop for law enforcement officials at an international conference on ‘Human Rights Education and Training for the Civil & Public Service’ in Dublin, Ireland. [+]  

23/05/2014
AFRICA
In Support of the ‘Bring Back Our Girls’ Campaign
OIJJ
On April 14, 274 girls were abducted from their school’s dormitory in Chibok, Nigeria, by armed attackers. While 53 of them have managed to escape from their kidnappers, more than 200 still remain captives. [+]  

09/05/2014
INTERNATIONAL
Project on gang associated sexual exploitation and violence by the University of Bedfordshire
OIJJ
In September 2011, the International Centre: Researching Child Sexual Exploitation, Violence and Trafficking at the University of Bedfordshire was commissioned by the Office of the Children’s Commissioner (OCC) for England to undertake a two-year research project into the issue of gang associated sexual violence and exploitation. Its results are presented in the final report “It’s wrong...but you get used to it” and an accompanying findings report for young people, designed in conjunction with a youth advisory group. [+]  

LEGISLATIVE FILE

AUSTRIA
The aim of the legislative file is to provide IJJO Users with access to national legislation on minors in an ordered and organised way, including all laws in force, partial reforms and other laws regarding the protection of the rights of the child. [+]  

IJJO INTERVIEWS

Ms. Alice McGrath. Lawyer and International adviser. Australia
In this interview, Alice McGrath describes the main challenges in the implementation of juvenile justice reforms in the Asian-Pacific area.
Indeed, as the author of the first report of the Asian Pacific Council for Juvenile Justice, she explains the essential objectives of the meeting (and of its subsequent publication): it should serve as a platform which enables the countries of the region to share their experiences in order to then address challenges through improved regional collaboration. Moreover, Alice McGrath describes the real situation of the children who are deprived of liberty or in conflict with the law in the Asian-Pacific countries. She also points out that an important mission to be accomplished in order to protect the rights of children in conflict with the law in the region is to focus principally on prevention initiatives. However, it should be kept in mind that different barriers still prevent the successful implementation of a specialized juvenile justice system in the countries of the region. On that matter, according to Ms. McGrath the main challenge seems to make these issues known on a domestic and regional level, which is not an easy task to do considering all the differences between the countries of the Asian-Pacific region. [4]