Sistemas de Justicia Juvenil en Europa:
Situación actual, tendencias de modelos aplicables y buenas prácticas

Juvenile Justice Systems in Europe:
Current situation, trends in applicable models and good practices

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08:00 Delivery of material.

09:00 Welcome addresses.

Mr. Francisco Legaz Cervantes. Chairman of the International Juvenile Justice Observatory (IJJO).

Mr. Frieder Duenkel. Professor in Criminology. University of Greifswald. Germany.

09:30 Inauguration.

Mr. Juan Luis de la Rúa Moreno. President of the Justice Supreme Court. Autonomous Community of Valencia. Spain.

10:00  Inaugurative Plenary Session.

Presenter and moderator: **Mr. Cédric Foussard.** Director of the International Juvenile Justice Observatory (IJJO).


10:30  Introduction.


Mrs. Renate Winter. President of the International Association of Youth and Family Judges and Magistrates. Austria.

11:00  Coffee break and specialised literature.

11:30  Framework communication.

**Topic 1.- Comparative analysis of juvenile justice systems in Europe: current situation and trends in applicable models.**


Mr. Tapio Lappi-Seppälä. General Director. National Research Institute of Legal Policy. Finland. 

'Nordic Model(s) of Juvenile Justice'

'Protecting, surveilling and punishing?'

12:30 Table 1. Historical evolution current situation of juvenile justice systems in Europe.

The evolution of established juvenile justice systems will be studied from an historical perspective and finally an up-to-date analysis on the matter will be carried out, based on different important aspects: the connection between welfare and responsibility models, and the limits of the criminal responsibility age of minors, new profiles of minor offenders.

Presenter and moderator: Mr. Francisco Tortosa Gil. Professor of Psychology. University of Valencia. Spain.

Mrs. Ineke Pruin. Research Associate at the Department of Criminology. University of Greifswald. Germany.

'The scope of juvenile justice systems: Age-groups and forms of delinquent behaviour covered by the different systems'

Mrs. Esther Giménez-Salinas. Professor of Penal Law. Rector of the Universitat Ramon Llull. Spain.

'Past, Present and Future of the Juvenile Justice'
Mr. Marcelo Aebi. Professor of Criminology. Deputy Director. Criminal Science School. University of Lausanne. Executive Secretary of the European Society of Criminology. Switzerland.

‘The evolution of juvenile delinquency and the evolution of juvenile justice systems in Europe’

13:30 Lunch.

Table 2. Interpretation and application of the criminal law for minors in the planned proceedings (judicial / administrative).

We will review latest trends in the agreements adopted by competent judicial / administrative organs that apply the legislation on juvenile justice. We will study to what extent informal intervention models with minor offenders are being developed. We will also analyse the application of alternative measures and the mediation channels between the minor offender and the victim.


Mr. Manuel Dolz Lago. Prosecutor for the Supreme Court. Spain.

‘The Spanish Criminal Law for minors: an impracticable law?. A practical criticism of its impracticibility’


‘New trends and the current situation concerning the Hungarian judicial and administrative legislation in case of minors (offenders and victims)’
Mr. David O’Mahony. Professor in Law. Durham University, England. United Kingdom.
‘Developing Restorative Justice and Mediation in Youth Justice Across Europe’

16:00 Table 3. The sanction systems. Types of measures. Formal and informal intervention.

We will define and expose the informal intervention possibilities as well as the development of the principle of diversity of actions towards the offending behaviour: mediation, conciliation, educational measures within the protection / welfare system, alternative measures to deprivation of liberty. Imprisonment of minor offenders: action programmes.


Mr. Dierk Helmken. Juvenile Judge. Municipal court in Heidelberg, Germany.
‘The Abolition of Punitive Reactions to Normal Juvenile Crime’

‘A reinforced educational system: Closed educational centres, an alternative to imprisonment’

Mr. Antonio Duarte Fonseca. Deputy director of the the National Training School for Judges. Centre for Legal Studies. Portugal.
‘Minor Offenders and Education of Values’
17:00 Coffee break and specialised literature.

17:30 **Table 4. Characteristics of the multidisciplinary work. The role of each actor in the different phases of the criminal proceedings.**

Based on the cooperation and coordination principles (networking) the most important current programmes will be exposed concerning the relations between institutions and/or professional in contact with the minor offender: justice/welfare agencies, psychologists, social workers, teachers, lawyers, prosecutors, judges. The definition and analysis of the institutional and professional role will form the main development framework of this work group.

Presenter and moderator: **Mrs. Anette Storgaard.** Professeur de Criminologie. Université du Aarhus. Danemark.


‘The role of the family judge in different stages of proceedings in juvenile cases’

**Mr. Jochen Goerdeler.** Director of the German Association for Juvenile Justice and Judicial assistance for Minors. Germany.

‘Cooperation between law enforcement authorities and the offices of the youth welfare system in criminal proceedings against minors’

**Mr. Slawomir Palka.** Director Department of execution of sentences for Families and Minors. Ministry of Justice. Poland.

‘The role of the administrator ad litem in procedures with minors’
20:00 Reception hosted by the City Hall of Valencia in the Reales Atarazanas.
Wednesday, 22nd October 2008

9:00  Plenary Session.

**Topic 2:** Good practices and recommendations applicable on juvenile justice systems: European Minimum Standards.

Presenter and moderator: Mr. Jorge Cabré Rico, Special Representative for the Justice Observatory of the Autonomous Community of Valencia, Spain.

Mr. Álvaro Gil Robles, Professor of Law, University Complutense of Madrid. Former Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe, Spain.

‘Application and effects of juvenile justice, seen from the experience of a Commissioner for Human Rights’


‘The Council of Europe Standards regarding juvenile offenders’

Mr. Frieder Duenkel, Professor in Criminology, University of Greifswald, Germany.

‘European Rules for Juveniles Subject to Sanctions and Measures’
10:30 **Table 1.** *Good practices in the field of socio-community prevention.*

During this Workshop we will analyse the development of measures in a social, community and family context. From a preventive approach of juvenile delinquency we will expose its characteristics and effects on the minor’s disruptive behaviour.

**Presenter and moderator:** Mr. Manuel Salguero Fernández. Psychologist. Foundation Diagrama, Psychosocial Intervention. Spain.

Mrs. Michele Burman. Professor of Criminology and co-Director of the Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research (SCCJR). University of Glasgow, Scotland. United Kingdom.

"Envisioning Effective Prevention? Youth Justice Practices in Scotland"

Mr. Brian De Lord. Chief Executive Officer. Pupil-Parent Partnership Ltd. United Kingdom.

"Good Practices in the Field of Socio-Community Prevention of Youth Crime"

Mr. Vicente Garrido Genovés. Professor of Pedagogy and Criminology. University of Valencia. Spain.

"The paradigm of " dismissal ": its implications for the action"

11:30 **Coffee break and specialised literature.**

12:00 **Table 2.** *Juvenile Justice transition in Eastern European countries.*

This Workshop will allow us to identify the actual situation in the juvenile justice systems in the Eastern European Countries, through the socio-political changes, exposing also possible improvements or innovations that can be introduced into the systems.
Presenter and moderator: **Mr. Igor Bojanic**, Associate Professor of Criminal Law and Vice Dean for Studies. Faculty of Law. University of Osijek. Croatia.

**Mrs. Mary Murphy**, Director of the South Caucasus Office. Penal Reform International. Georgia.

'Juvenile Justice in Georgia: Opportunities and challenges in negotiating and implementing practical projects in a transitional country'

**Mr. Vladislav Kaminskiy**, Researcher. Department of Criminology. Siberian Federal University. Russia.

'Development of the juvenile justice system in Russia: prerequisites and difficulties'

**Mrs. Séverine Jacomy Vité**, Specialist - Child Protection. UNICEF Regional Office for Central and Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States. CEE/CIS. Switzerland.

'Juvenile Justice Reform at Europe's Doorstep: Trends, Challenges and Achievements in Central and Eastern Europe'

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**13:00**

**Table 3. - Direct intervention with minors deprived of their liberty: Good practices in the socio-professional insertion of the minor offender and recommendations.**

In this workshop the main topics will be the fundamental aspects related to the minor's judicial situation, the protection of their rights, the intervention in the educational centres specifically equipped for minor offenders and/or special units in prisons for youngsters. The conditions and resources provided to the minors and the classification per age group will also be analysed. We will also expose the good practices regarding the minor's socio-professional integration, considering the difficulties to deal with and the need for social commitment in this field allowing the effective family, social and professional integration; this being the most important objective of juvenile justice systems.

Mrs. Anastassia Giagkou. Professor of Law. Faculty of Law. University of Thessaloniki. Greece.

'School and vocational education of juvenile offenders in Greek law and practice as a measure for a constructive approach and progressive revision of their penal treatment'

Mr. Alessandro Padovani (Director) and Mrs. Sabrina Brutto (Project Manager). Institute Don Calabria. Italy.

'Qualifying elements of a good practice: some intervention praxis of inclusion and treatment with young offenders in Italy'

Mr. Ignacio Mayoral Narros (Lawyer) and Mr. Alberto López Marcos (Director of the Pi Gros Centre). Foundation Diagrama, Psychosocial Intervention. Spain.

'General principles of educational intervention in the area of custodial sentences: fundamental areas of action. Special reference to the socio-labour inclusion'

14:00 Lunch.
15:30 Plenary International Visions.

**Prevention and treatment of Juvenile Delinquency.**


Mr. Grzegorz Gajewski. Secretary of the European Crime Prevention Network (EUCPN), European Commission. Belgium.

‘EU developments on juvenile delinquency.’


‘Handling delinquency, where are we?’


‘Miami-Dade County, Florida Juvenile Justice Model’
16:30 Plenary Session.

The protection of children in conflict with the law: A common perspective.


‘The protection of children’s rights in conflict with the law, a common perspective: A minors code, guarantee of fundamental rights’

‘Violence against Childn in Conflict with the Law. Indicators for better data collection’
17:30 Conclusions.

Presenter and moderator: Mr. Cédric Foussard. Director of the International Juvenile Justice Observatory (IJJO).

Mr. José Luis de la Cuesta Arzamendi. Director of the Basque Institute for Criminology (IVAC). Spain.
18:00 Closing ceremony.


Mr. Francisco Legaz Cervantes. Chairman of International Juvenile Justice Observatory (IJJO).