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The Fifth IJJO International Conference, *Criminality or Social Exclusion? Justice for Children in a Divided World*, aims to address the impact of the global crises on the administration of justice for children and young people. In the last years, as a result of social and economic polarisation and global crises, growing numbers of children, young people and families are finding themselves at the margins of society where social exclusion and involvement in criminality might constitute a higher risk.

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IJJO DAY BY DAY



Jul 20, 2012

UNITED NATIONS

21st Session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

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The International Juvenile Justice Observatory took part at the 21st Session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, held in Vienna in April 2012. The Commission holds annual sessions for the duration of one week in the first half of the year, to tackle the most important issues related to crime prevention and justice. [\[+\]](#)



Jul 13, 2012

INTERNATIONAL

IJJO raises the topic of Mental Health for Young Offenders during the 21st Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

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The IJJO organized jointly with UNODC in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Thailand a Side Event *"Mental Health and Young Offenders: A challenge for the justice and the health system"* in Vienna on the 27th of April 2012, during the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice 2012. [\[+\]](#)



Jul 06, 2012

ASIA

First Meeting of the Asian-Pacific Council for Juvenile Justice

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The IJJO organized the First Meeting of the Asian-Pacific Council for Juvenile Justice *"An Asia-Pacific Strategy on Juvenile Justice"*, with the support of the Department of Juvenile Observation and Protection of the Ministry of Justice of Thailand. The meeting took place on the 14th of June in Bangkok and was part of the *National and Regional Conference: 'Towards comprehensive and effective Juvenile Justice System in Thailand and the Region'* which took place on the 12th 13th June. [\[+\]](#)

JUVENILE JUSTICE IN THE WORLD



Jul 24, 2012

UNITED NATIONS

World Drug Report, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), 2012

IJJO

According to UNODC World Drug report, today illicit drug use is largely a youth phenomenon in most countries. In fact, the relative concentration of illicit drug use among youth may be their lower propensity to transgress laws and social norms as they get older. In fact, the UNODC highlights that while drugs have been consumed throughout history, the drug problems, instead, has developed some key characteristics over the last few decades. [\[+\]](#)



Jul 10, 2012

INTERNATIONAL

Terre des Hommes defends ecological rights of children at the Rio+20

IJJO

Political leaders and world representatives gathered for the UN Rio +20 Summit - held from 20 to 22 June 2012 - on Sustainable Development to discuss and seek possible solutions to global issues. The Conference focused on two themes: a green economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication and the institutional framework for sustainable development. [\[+\]](#)



Jul 06, 2012

UNITED NATIONS

The economic crisis also affects children in Europe

IJJO

Last May, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) presented a report on the increasing poverty among children within industrialized countries. The living conditions of children have been studied in thirty-five countries and the results show that only into the European Union (including Norway and Iceland) more than 13 million of children are living in poverty. [\[+\]](#)

LEGISLATIVE FILE



ALBANIA

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

UNITED STATES



Dr. Thomas Grisso. University of Massachusetts Medical School. United States



In this interview, the Director of Psychology department and the Law-Psychiatry Program at the

University of Massachusetts Medical School talk

about the program he manages in the USA providing technical assistance to juvenile justice systems.

Dr. Grisso underlines, that there is very little research evidence that screening and assessment lead to successful and effective treatment. He also presents his new area of study aiming at finding ways to improve mental health screening in juvenile justice for young people with diverse cultural backgrounds. [\[+\]](#)

RESEARCH AND THESIS

INTERNATIONAL



According to our main activities and objectives, the International Juvenile Justice Observatory wants to give the opportunity to researchers and PHD Students to have access to our international communication

platform.



To publish on our web site your thesis, research papers regarding juvenile justice and the situation of minors in conflict with the law, please press the following link. [\[+\]](#)

COLLABORATION FORUM

Children with disabilities more likely to be victims of violence

Children with disabilities are almost four times more likely to experience violence than non-disabled children, according to a review commissioned by the World Health Organization (WHO) and published on the 12th July 2012 in the medical journal The Lancet.

What strategies and measures need to be set of action in order to prevent violence and protect children with disabilities?



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JOB & INTERNSHIP DATABASE

The Job and Internship Database contains information on the latest job and internship offers sent by organisations working in juvenile justice; our purpose is to facilitate the gathering of people and organizations that are involved in the juvenile justice field.

The Job and Internship Database offers a virtual space to organizations involved in juvenile justice, where they can publish their job and internship offers. If your organization wishes to publish a job offer, please click on the following link and complete the document.

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Le chef de l'ONUDC évalue les efforts déployés dans un quartier de New York pour lutter contre les drogues

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Les enfants libanais doublement victimes des abus sexuels

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Thais impressed with Japanese approach towards young inmates

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Afghanistan. Child Justice Brief. June 2012

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Justicia Penal Juvenil en Bolivia. 'De la realidad que tenemos a la justicia que queremos'

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United Nations Principles and Guidelines on Access to Legal Aid in Criminal Justice Systems

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