Improving juvenile justice systems in Europe: Manual & Toolkit

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Aims of the project

Overall goal of the project
• To improve the EU juvenile justice systems and to understand where they can be made more efficient and more child-friendly

Means to accomplish this goal
• Creation of a training toolkit and a manual
• Training of trainers
• National workshops on the implementation of the toolkit
• Online course and Final Conference
Manual & Toolkit

*Can anyone hear me?*

- **Manual** – *Participation of children in juvenile justice: A manual on how to make European juvenile justice systems child-friendly*
  
  ‘text book’ for participants

- **Toolkit** – *Improving juvenile justice systems in Europe: A toolkit for the training of professionals*
  
  guide for trainers

- **Focus**
  
  Juvenile justice
  
  Child-friendly justice – ‘effective participation’
Manual & Toolkit

Structure

1. International and European standards in juvenile justice and adolescent development
2. General requirements
3. Effective participation
4. Communication skills
5. Follow-up and support
Chapter 1

International and European standards in juvenile justice and adolescent development

• Participation of children in conflict with the law in juvenile justice proceedings
• Introduction to international standards in juvenile justice
• Introduction to European standards on juvenile justice
• Juvenile justice and adolescent development
Chapter 2

General requirements

• Entitlement to specific proceedings
• Right to legal or other assistance
• The role of parents
Chapter 3

Effective participation

• Right to information
• Right to be heard
Chapter 4

Communication skills

• Setting
• Conversation techniques
• Language use and explanations
Chapter 5

Follow-up and support

• Incorporating the voice of the juvenile in decisions
• Clarifying the decision
The national training

To acquire the knowledge and skills presented in the Manual it is of importance that it is accompanied by a face-to-face **training or national discussion day**, in which knowledge is disseminated and skills can be practiced.

**Purpose**

- To familiarize the participants with the international and European children’s rights framework regarding juvenile justice;
- To make professionals aware of the importance of child participation in juvenile justice;
- To teach professionals skills to enhance child participation.
Online training

*Online training course hosted on the International School of Juvenile Justice (IJJO e-learning platform)*

Aimed at developing skills to:
- Deepen and enhance the knowledge on procedural safeguards for children suspected or accused in criminal proceedings.
- Deepen and enhance the knowledge of related international and European standards.
- Improve the implementation of the right of the child to be heard and the juvenile justice professionals' communication skills.
- Apply international juvenile justice standards to particular cases.
- Write a paper on a specific juvenile justice issue from an international and comparative perspective.

Details:
- From 20th February 2017.
- 2 hours/module.
- Online training and interactive forum. Knowledge evaluation and final paper.
- First edition free of charge.

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