



**2017-2019**  
**The Child Friendly Justice Momentum**  
**in Europe:**



**Effective child participation in the context of the implementation of the new Directive on procedural safeguards for children suspected or accused in criminal proceedings**

**Valencia, 15-17/02/2017**



# The European Council for Juvenile Justice



## Activities 2015 – 2017

Valencia, 15-17/02/2017



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Set up in 2009 a network of more than 80 experts.

A space of debate, study and analysis on Juvenile Justice.

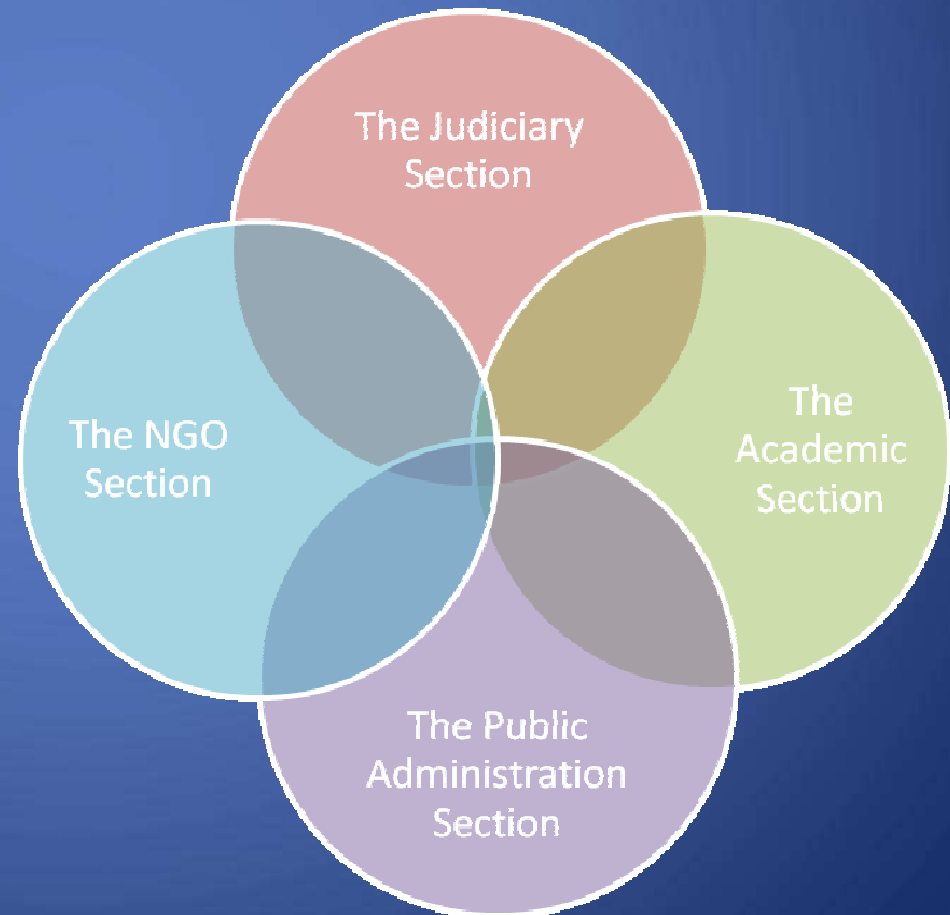
A pool of knowledge and expertise for all IJJO and EU institutions.

An opportunity to raise the voice and opinion of professionals.

A challenge to link and to promote the most inspiring initiatives at EU level.

**Four sections emphasizing the richness of the Council**

**A network connecting stakeholders coming from three different sectors.**



<p><b>NGOs:</b> Organisations and professionals with a thorough field understanding and experiences of interventions on the ground</p>	<p><b>ACADEMICS:</b> Researchers and professors tied to Faculties, Departments, Research Institutes, and Universities.</p>	<p><b>PUBLIC ADMIN:</b> Representatives of national bodies in charge of juvenile justice such as Ministries or Departments of Justice</p>	<p><b>OMBUDSMEN, POLICE and JUSTICE Professionals (Lawyers, Judges, Magistrates...)</b></p>
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- A network dedicated to the promotion of a **child-friendly justice** approach throughout administrative, civil and judicial proceedings.
- Professionals from the 28 EU Member States committed to imagine, draft and set up effective and sustainable **policies preventing e.g. youth violence, promoting alternatives to detention and advocating in favour of an enhanced social inclusion of the most vulnerable ones.**
- A priceless knowledge **of the EU and international institutions**, which facilitates the draft of concrete **recommendations** and efficient **advocacy work** .
- **A unique network bridging the gap between juvenile justice stakeholders and working ceaselessly for juvenile justice without borders.**

# The 4th ECJJ Meeting Brussels, 4-5 December 2014

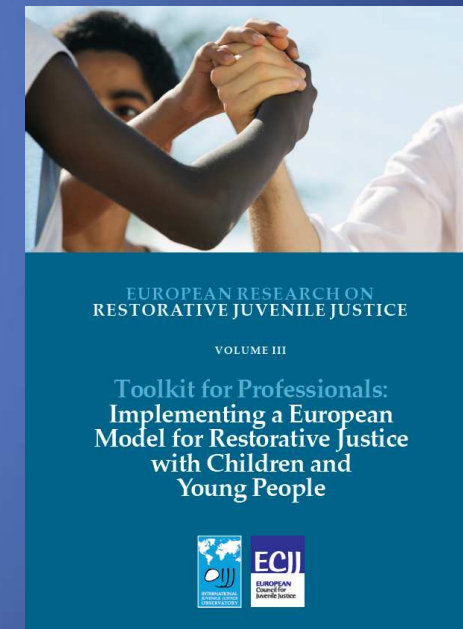
“Towards the Effectiveness of Juvenile Justice  
Policies in Europe: Lessons Learned and  
future challenges”



# EU Projects and Research activities

## 1. Restorative justice

### European Research on Restorative Juvenile Justice



With the financial support from  
the Justice Programme of the European Union

# REVIJ

## Reparation to the victim in the European Juvenile Justice Systems

Comparative analysis and transfer of best practices



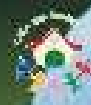
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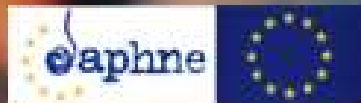
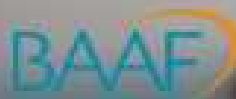


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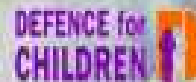
## 2. Access to justice and procedural safeguards

Alternatives to Custody  
for Young Offenders

Developing Intensive and  
Remand Fostering Programmes



J.O.D.A.  
Juvenile Offenders Detention  
Alternatives in Europe





# MIPREDET

Analysis of procedures and conditions  
on minors' pre-trial detention



Association  
**Diagrama**



Fundación  
**Diagrama**



Improving  
Juvenile Justice Systems  
in Europe:  
Training for Professionals

# EU Projects and Research activities (3)

## 3. More topics



**Listen to the child**  
Justice befriends the child



 **Reincidências**  
Young offenders recidivism  
and prevention of delinquency



# Trainings



**Last course (Autumn 2016):**

**Alternatives to detention for young offenders**

**Prof Ursula Kilkelly and Ms Louise Forde**

The 'Alternatives to Detention for Young Offenders' course explored community-based sanctions for children who come into conflict with the law. It examined the international human rights standards for juvenile justice and paid particular attention to the requirement to ensure that detention is a measure of last resort.

# Trainings (2)



**Upcoming course(February 2017):**

## **Improving Juvenile Justice Systems in Europe: Training for professionals**

**Prof. Dr. Ton Liefwaard and Dr. Stephanie Rap**

- Provide training to professionals working with children in conflict with the law with a particular focus towards improving their communication with children. In this course, topics related to children's legal rights, interviewing techniques, communication, child psychology and pedagogical skills will be touched upon in the various modules.
- Provide information and give further guidance on the implementation of the provisions of the EU Directive on procedural safeguards for children suspected or accused in criminal proceedings (2016/800/EU).
- One of the outputs of the EU funded project "Improving Juvenile Justice Systems in Europe: Training for Professionals" (JUST/2013/FRC/AG), based on the Manual for professionals "Can anyone hear me? Improving juvenile justice systems in Europe: A manual on how to make European juvenile justice systems child-friendly".



# EU Policy Agenda and Advocacy Activity



Follow-up of the negotiations towards the EU Directive 2016/800 on procedural safeguards for children who are suspects or accused persons in criminal proceedings:

- meetings with EP groups,
- follow-up of the negotiations,
- joint communiqué de presse with partner NGOs,
- joint publication with Eurochild of a Position Paper.
- publication of news on the ECJJ website and through the ECJJ newsletter,
- publication of commentaries and support messages from ECJJ Members,
- further diffusion through members at national level.

# EU Policy Agenda and Advocacy Activity (2)

**The creation of an Intergroup on children's rights at the European Parliament co-chaired by MEP Caterina Chinnici, S&D Italy and MEP Anna Maria Corazza Bildt, EPP Sweden**

- Represents the first formal body in the EP that mainstreams children's rights and assess the impact of legislative and non-legislative work on children. It is a cross-party, a cross-national group of committed MEPs, who work together with child-focused organisations to keep children's rights on top of the EU agenda.
- Objective: to promote children's rights and ensure that the best interest of the child is taken into account in EU internal and external action. To do so, the Intergroup has nominated child rights focal points in each parliamentary committee, who alert the Intergroup on the files that have an impact on children.
- [The Intergroup's work is based on the Child Rights Manifesto](#) prepared by a coalition of [child-focused organisations](#) working towards the realisation of the EU's legal and policy commitments to promote and protect children's rights, and obligations set out in the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

# EU Policy Agenda and Advocacy Activity (3)

Follow-up of the different European agencies :

- European Commission
- Council of Europe
- FRA
- RAN



# ECJJ New Members U1

## Academic Section



-  **Ms Els Dumortier, Prof. Dr., Faculty of Law and Criminology, Vrije Universiteit Brussel**



-  **Mr Johan Put, Full Professor, Leuven Institute of Criminology (LINC), University of Leuven**



-  **Ms Jessica Filippi, Research professor in private law and criminology, French National Academy for Youth Protection and Juvenile Justice**

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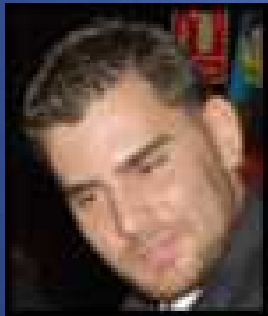
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## Academic section (2)



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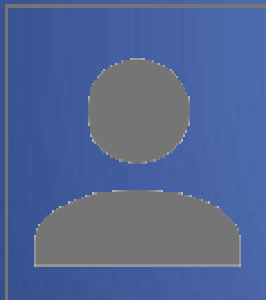
**Ms Jolande uit Beijerse, Associate Professor,  
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**Ms Barbora Pomsarova, Project Manager, NHC – Netherlands Helsinki Committee**



**Ms Katarzyna Wiśniewska, Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights (Poland)**



**Ms Cristina Eugenia Iova, Project Manager, Federation of the Non-Governmental Organisations for Children (FONPC)**

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**Ms Alexandre Krasnov, Acting  
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**Mr Nikhil Roy, Programme  
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Reform International (PRI)**



# ECJJ New Members



## Public Administrative Section



**Ms Katharina Schwarzl, Expert,  
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**Mr Mislav Matic, Senior administrative  
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Republic of Croatia**



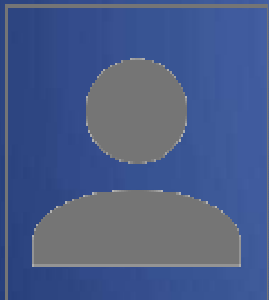
**Ms Isabella Mastropasqua, Senior  
Executive at the Study and Research  
Board Department for Juvenile Justice  
and Director of the European Centre of  
Studies on Juvenile Deviance of Nisida**

# ECJJ New Members

## Public Administrative Section (2)



**Ms Ilona Kronberga, Head of the National Child Protection Authority of Latvia**



**Ms Miriam Sevasta, Director (Probation & Parole), Ministry for Justice, Culture and Local Government**



**Ms Paula Jack, Independent Consultant, Chief Executive of the Youth Justice Agency (YJA) Northern Ireland from 2010 until 2014**



# ECJJ New Members

## Public Administrative Section (3)



**Mr João D'Oliveira Córias, Director  
of Juvenile Justice Department,  
Ministry of Justice of Portugal**

# ECJJ New members

## Judiciary Section



**Mr António José Fialho, Senior Judge, The 3rd Family and Juvenile Section of the Court of Barreiro**



**Ms Carolina Lluch Palau, Public Prosecutor Public Prosecution Office of Spain**



**Ms Yvonne Adair, Independent Consultant on Juvenile Justice**

**Thank you !**

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