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24th Council of Europe Conference of Directors of Prison and Probation Services (CDPPS)

“OFFENDER MANAGEMENT: TRADITION AND TECHNOLOGY”

Ayia Napa, Cyprus 21-22 May 2019

<https://www.coe.int/en/web/prison/agia-napa-cyprus>

The cyberpunk novelist William Gibson once said: “Technologies are morally neutral until we apply them.”

The 24th Council of Europe Conference of Directors of Prison and Probation Services discussed how new technologies influence the management of offenders in the 21st century, the positive changes brought in by them and the place of the human factor in dealing with persons in detention or under probation.

Are the services ready to face this phenomenon and what are the ethical implications of the use of new technologies? What benefits do they bring to staff and to offenders, what risks and dangers are to be avoided?

The participants heard about traditional working methods with suspects and offenders, whether these are impacted by the digital transformation which rapidly enters the market of execution of penal sanctions and measures and what safeguards need to be put in place.

Open Access Documents

[Compendium of Conventions, Recommendations and Resolutions relating to Prisons and Community Sanctions and Measures \(March 2019\)](#)

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[Publication "Unboxing Artificial Intelligence: 10 steps to protect Human Rights"](#)

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HELSINKI, 26-27 February 2019 “**Governing the Game Changer –Impacts of artificial intelligence development on human rights, democracy and the rule of law**” CONCLUSIONS FROM THE CONFERENCE

<https://rm.coe.int/conclusions-helsinki-conference-26-27-02-2019/168093bfca>

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Presentations

OPENING PLENARY SESSION

Opening speeches:

[Jan Kleijssen, Director, Information Society and Action against Crime Directorate, Council of Europe](#)

Keynote speeches:

[Dr Victoria Knight, Senior Research Fellow, De Montfort University \(United Kingdom\) & Steven Van De Steene, Smart Corrections \(Belgium\) + Addendum](#)

[Annie Devos, Director General, Houses of Justice \(Belgium\)](#) (French only)

[Jan-Erik Sandlie, Deputy Director General, Correctional Service \(Norway\)](#)

[Marjorie Bonn, CDPC member, Senior Legal Adviser, Ministry of Justice and Security \(The Netherlands\)](#)

WORKSHOP I

[Jorge Monteiro, Centre of Competences, Programmes and Projects, Prison Administration \(Portugal\)](#)

[Maud Dayet, Head of Service, Directorate of Prison Administration \(France\)](#) (French only)

[Athena Demetriou, Acting Senior Prison Officer & Dr. Agathi Valanidou, Psychiatrist \(Cyprus\)](#)

WORKSHOP II

[Maria Anagnostaki, criminologist, scientific advisor at the office of the Secretary General for Crime Policy \(Greece\)](#)

[Maria Lindström, Liaison and Policy Officer \(CEP\) \(Sweden\)](#)

[Dr Geraldine O'Hare, Director of Rehabilitation, Probation Board & Paul Doran, Director of Rehabilitation, Prison Service \(United Kingdom - Northern Ireland\)](#)

WORKSHOP III

[Håkan Klarin, Prison and Probation Service \(Sweden\)](#)

[Michael Braunschweig, MD, Prison service, Canton of Zürich \(Switzerland\)](#)

[Dr Victoria Knight, Senior Research Fellow, De Montfort University \(United Kingdom\) & Steven Van De Steene, Smart Corrections \(Belgium\) + Addendum](#)

WORKSHOP IV

[Pedro Ferreira Marum, Deputy Director General, Houses of Justice \(Belgium\)](#)

[Geert Mol & Deborah Thompson, Reclassering \(The Netherlands\)](#)

WORKSHOP V

[Benny Goedbloed, Prison Administration \(Belgium\)](#)

[Jan Steven Van Wingerden, CEO, ODSecurity.com \(The Netherlands\)](#)

WORKSHOP VI

[Jason Morris, Her Majesty's Prisons and Probation Service \(United Kingdom\)](#)

[Satu Rahkila, RISE Criminal Sanction Agency \(Finland\)](#)

[Athena Demetriou, Acting Senior Prison Officer & Dr. Agathi Valanidou, Psychiatrist \(Cyprus\)](#)

CLOSING PLENARY SESSION

Summary and Conclusions:

[Dominik Lehner, Chair of the Council for Penological Co-operation \(Switzerland\)](#)

Media Gallery
