

Youth Justice 2008: Measuring Compliance with International Standards

The aim of this two day international conference is to present the latest research on youth justice and to measure progress in light of international children's rights standards. The event will identify trends and evaluate reforms in the area of youth justice from both international and Irish perspectives.

In association with



An Bord Comhairleach um Achtanna na Leanáí
Children Acts Advisory Board

Day One: Thursday April 3rd 2008

Plenary Sessions will take place in Boole Lecture Theatre 1

- 8.30 **Registration and Tea/Coffee**
Boole Basement, University College Cork
- 9.15 **Conferencing Opening**
Professor Caroline Fennell, Dean, Faculty of Law and Co-Director, Centre for Criminal Justice and Human Rights, University College Cork
Mr Brendan Smith, Minister for Children (TBC)
- 9.30 Dr Ursula Kilkelly, Faculty of Law, University College Cork
International Children's Rights Standards: Setting the Context
- 10.00 **Plenary Session 1: International Perspectives**
Chair: Mr Cédric Foussard, Director, International Juvenile Justice Observatory, Brussels
Professor Chris Cunneen, Faculty of Law, University of New South Wales, Sydney
Juvenile Justice in Australia: How well do we comply with International Standards?
Mr Tapio Lappi-Seppälä, National Research Institute of Legal Policy, Helsinki
Nordic Model of Juvenile Justice - as applied in Finland
- 11.15 **Coffee/Tea***
- 11.45 **Plenary Session 2: International Perspectives**
Chair: Mr Finbarr O'Leary, Deputy Chief Executive, Children Acts Advisory Board
Professor Barry Goldson, School of Sociology and Social Policy, University of Liverpool
From Pre-emptive Intervention to Custodial Detention: Systemic Human Rights Violations in English 'Justice'
Dr Lesley McAra, Senior Lecturer, Centre for Law and Policy, University of Edinburgh
In the Best Interests of the Child? Scottish Youth Justice in Comparative Context
- 1.00 **Lunch**
- 2.30 **Parallel Session 1: Panels A - D**
- 4.00 **Coffee/Tea**
- 4.30 **Parallel Session 2: Panels E - H**
- 6.00 **Wine Reception, with Jazz Manouche**
Staff Common Room, North Wing, Main Quadrangle, UCC

Day Two: Friday April 4th 2008

Plenary Sessions will take place in Boole Lecture Theatre 1

- 8.30 **Registration (Day Two only) and Tea/Coffee**
- 9.00 **Parallel Session 3: Panels I - L**
- 10.15 **Plenary Session 3: The Irish Youth Justice System: Theory and Policy**
Chair: Dr Shane Kilcommins, Faculty of Law, University College Cork
Dr Mairead Seymour, School of Social Sciences and Law, Dublin Institute of Technology
The Irish Youth Justice System
- 10.45 *Irish Policy Makers and Service Providers: Challenges and Reform*
Mr Michael Donnellan, Director, Irish Probation Service
Ms Michelle Shannon, National Director, Irish Youth Justice Service
Mr Louis Harkin, Assistant Garda Commissioner, An Garda Síochána
- 11.45 **Tea/Coffee**
- 12.15 **Parallel Session 1: Restorative Justice: Irish and International Developments**
Chair: Ms Maura Butler, Law Society and Chair, Association for Criminal Justice Research and Development
Mr David O'Mahony, Reader, Department of Law, University of Durham
Restorative Justice and Criminal Justice: Complementary or Conflicting Paradigms?
Mr Brian Fitzpatrick, National Commission on Restorative Justice
Restorative Justice an Irish Perspective: Reflections on the Work of the National Commission on Restorative Justice to date
- 12.15 **Parallel Session 2: Policing, Accountability and Youth Justice**
Chair: Ms Sophie Magennis, Head of Policy and Research, the Ombudsman for Children's Office
Ms Niamh McKeague and Mr Michael O'Neill, Legal Advisors to An Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission
The Independent Oversight of Policing in Ireland and the Place of Children in the Complaints and Investigation Process
- 1.30 **Lunch**
- 2.30 **Plenary Session 4: Youth Justice and Children's Rights**
Chair: The Hon Mr Justice John MacMenamin of the High Court (TBC)
Mr Thomas Hammarberg, Council of Europe
Commissioner for Human Rights
Youth Justice based on Child Rights Norms
- 3.15 Ms Emily Logan, The Ombudsman for Children
Respecting the Voice of the Child
- 4.00 Mr Aidan Browne, Chief Executive, Children Acts Advisory Board
Conferencing Closing: Comments and Remarks
- 4.15 **Conference Close**

*A short film made by Young Voices of Include Youth (Belfast) will be shown introduced by Edel Quinn of Include Youth.

Parallel Sessions

To take place in Boole Lecture Theatres as advised

Session 1: Thursday 2.30 - 4.00pm

A.

Professor Phil Scraton, Institute of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Queen's University, Belfast

Children, young people and the criminalising politics of marginalisation

Deena Haydon, Independent Research Consultant, Northern Ireland

'I wear a hood, I am a hood': the experiences of young people in conflict with the law in Northern Ireland

Dr Linda Moore and Dr Una Convery, University of Ulster, Jordanstown

Still in our care: protecting children's rights in custody in Northern Ireland

B.

Nessa Lynch, Faculty of Law, University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand

Youth Justice in New Zealand - a children's rights perspective

Dr Shannon Moore and Dr Richard Mitchell, Brock University, Canada

Rights based restorative praxis: evaluating compliance with international standards

Ajay Kumar, LLM, Paralegal and former police officer, India

Juvenile justice in India: legal contours

C.

Teresa O'Sullivan, Solicitor in Charge, Children's Legal Service, Sydney

Young people and group offending

Dr Mairead Seymour, School of Social Sciences and Law, Dublin Institute of Technology and Michelle Butler, National Crime Council, Ireland

Understanding the consequences: young people and non-compliance with bail conditions

D.

Don Cipriani, Free University of Amsterdam

Children's rights and the minimum age of criminal responsibility: a global perspective

Lydia Buckley, PhD Candidate, Department of Law, University College Cork

Is the Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) Act 2006 turning teenagers into 'sex offenders'?

Siddharth Rathod and Anurag Kalavatiya, Hidayatullah National Law University, India

Age and criminal responsibility

Session 2: Thursday 4.30 - 6.00pm

E.

Jeremy Roche, Faculty of Health and Social Care, Open University, England

Reconfiguring youth justice: youth justice and children's rights

Dr Richard Barnhorst, Department of Justice, Canada

Recent developments in youth justice legislation in Canada

Nurudeen Olalekan, Action Network, Nigeria

Influence of the Nigerian news media on youth criminal justice policy: how market-driven news promotes punitiveness

F.

Vicki Lopez Lukis, Girls Advocacy Project, Miami, Florida

Looking at girls in juvenile justice through a different lens: Girls Advocacy Project?

Sinead Freeman, PhD Candidate, School of Social Sciences and Law, Dublin Institute of Technology

Coping in custody: the trials and tribulations of young prisoners on remand

Nicola Hughes, PhD Candidate, Institute of Criminology, University College Dublin

Reimprisonment among Ireland's young offenders

G.

Dr Stephen Case, Centre for Criminal Justice and Criminology, Swansea University

Exploring the risk-protection-promotion identities of young offenders

Dr Kathryn Hollingsworth, Faculty of Law, King's College London

Children's rights at the edges of youth justice

Sylvia Hoare, PhD Candidate, School of Social Sciences and Law, Dublin Institute of Technology

The community context of reintegration for young adult prisoners in Cork: preliminary findings

H.

Pieter du Toit, Lecturer in Criminal Law, North-West University, South Africa

The South African Constitutional Court's analysis of the duty of a sentencing court when the person to be sentenced is the primary caregiver of minor children

Dr Fiona Donson, Faculty of Law, University College Cork

Paying lip service to child rights - challenges in developing a juvenile justice system in Cambodia

Claire Morris, Georgetown University Law Center, United States,

Incoming LLM Student

Implementation of the strategy against juvenile offending for Bosnia and Herzegovina; diversion, urgency of proceedings and co-operation among actors

Session 3: Friday 9 – 10.15am

I.

Dr Paul O'Mahony, School of Medicine, Trinity College Dublin
The risk factors analysis of the causes of youth crime: a deceptively useful blueprint.

Tom O'Malley, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law, National University of Ireland, Galway
Sentencing at the margins: dealing with offenders on the verge of adulthood

J.

Wansley Walters, Director and Dr Richard Dembo, Juvenile Justice Department, Miami Dade County, Florida
Managing real change in juvenile justice: how to halve arrest rates

K.

Sergeant Ben Flahive, Juvenile Liaison Officer, An Garda Síochána, Cork (TBC)
Judge Tom O'Donnell, District Court, Limerick
Colette Walsh, Director, Finglas Child and Adolescent Centre, Dublin
Youth Justice in Ireland: Practitioners' Perspectives

L.

Aoife Daly, School of Law/Children's Research Centre, Trinity College, Dublin
The right to be heard of Palestinian children in Israeli military custody

Dr Angela Veale, Department of Applied Psychology, University College Cork
The International Criminal Court and the victim as perpetrator

Dr Jonathan Illan, Research Associate, School of Social Sciences and Law, Dublin Institute of Technology
If you don't let us in, we'll get arrested: class cultural dynamics in the administration of and resistance to youth justice measures

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Cost

Conference (including lunch, tea/coffee and materials):

- Full-paying delegates: €150/€225 (1/2 days)
- NGOs, Trainee Lawyers and Academics: €80/€120 (1/2 days)
- Students €40/€60 (1/2 days)

Continuing Professional Development

Day 1 – 6 hours Group Study (General) Law Society CPD credit

Day 2 – 5.5 hours Group Study (General) Law Society CPD credit

Certificates will be issued following the event.

Further Conference Details

Biographical details for plenary speakers, abstracts for all papers and all other conference information is available at <http://www.ucc.ie/law/youthjustice2008>

For Further Information

For further events at the Centre for Criminal Justice and Human Rights at the Faculty of Law, University College Cork see <http://www.ucc.ie/law/ccjhr>

For further information on the Children Acts Advisory Board see <http://www.caab.ie>

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