

Programme RAN P&P, Rome December 11-12

Theme: Prison(ers) Society

Prisoners function in a closed and controlled community. Closed in a sense they cannot leave and therefore hardly withdraw themselves from the dynamics within this society. In the same time there are lines of contact with the outside world: family and friends who visit, call or write them, social workers, volunteer organizations who visit prisoners, religious leaders and in some countries probation services. Control on the community is being executed by the prison governors, wardens and so on. The degree of control can be variable, according to the regime (f.e. isolated imprisonment). Prisoners can influence each other as a collective, a group or an individual.

When it comes to radicalism and extremism in prison the prisoners society both a place where radicalized people are brought to as a place where people might radicalize (being vulnerable by biography and/or by circumstances. A new challenge in this regard is the decision of numerous member states to arrest returnees from Syria who after conviction will be imprisoned in large numbers the upcoming years.

Day 1: 12:00 – 18:00

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| 12.30 | Lunch |
| 13.30 | Welcome speech by Mr. Francesco Cascini , deputy Head of the Italian Department of Penitentiary Administration |
| 13.35 | Introduction and welcome by working group leaders Yola Wanders and Finn Grav |

Getting into the matter

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| 13.45 | Lecture by Mark Hamm , Professor of Criminology at Indiana State University: Prisoner Radicalization and Sacred Terrorism |
| 14.10 | Questions and Answers |
| 14.20 | Lecture by Alison Liebling , Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, expert on staff-prisoner relationships |
| 14.45 | Questions and Answers |
| 14.55 | Lecture by Dr. Sarah Lewis : Working to de-radicalise using probation relationships |
| 15.20 | Questions and Answers |
| 15.30 | Coffee break |

Split-up sessions

- 16.00 Group discussion in three groups:
- What challenges are you facing regarding the prisoner society/ relationship prisoner-staff when it comes to radicalisation?
 - What challenges are you facing regarding the relationship staff-client in probation?
 - Which improvements could be made?
 - What practical information would you need to achieve this?
- 17.30 Reporting outcomes split up sessions in plenary
- 18.00 Round up and conclusions
- 20.00 Dinner at Primo al Pigneto, Via del Pigneto 46

Day 2: 9:00 – 13:00

- 9.00 Starting up
- 9.15 Lecture by **Fernando Reinares**, Director of the Program on Global Terrorism at Elcano Royal Institute and Professor of Government and Security Studies at Universidad Rey Juan Carlos in Madrid, on cases of prison radicalisation in Spain.
- 9.40 Questions and Answers
- 9.50 **Magnus Ranstorp** on Research Director of the Centre for Asymmetric Threat Studies at the Swedish National Defence College.
- 10.15 Questions and Answers
- 10.25 Panel discussion with prison governors who are already dealing with returnees from Syria in their institution
- 11.25 Coffee break
- 11.40 Split up sessions on what challenges people already meet or expect to do so in the near future regarding to possible prisoners/ clients who were in Syria or Iraq
- 12.40 Reporting outcomes
- 12.55 Wrapping up
- 13.15 Lunch
- 14.00 End of the lunch

Supplement

Mark Hamm

Mark Hamm is Professor of Criminology at the Indiana State University. He has published widely in the areas of terrorism, hate crime, and prisoner subcultures. His books include Terrorism as Crime: From Oklahoma City to Al-Qaeda and Beyond (2007); In Bad Company: America's Terrorist Underground (2001); and The spectacular Few: Prisoner Radicalization and the Evolving Terrorist Threat (2013).

Alison Liebling

Alison Liebling is Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice and Director of the Prisons Research Centre at the University of Cambridge. She has carried out extensive empirical research in prison and has published several books, including Prisons and their Moral Performance (2004), The Prison Officer (2011, 2nd edition) and (2005) The Effects of Imprisonment.

Sarah Lewis

Dr. Sarah Lewis is a Senior Lecturer on Probation at the University of Porthmouth. She has several research interests including therapeutic correctional relationships, desistance, rehabilitation, visual methodology, probation and prison and participatory research. In 2014 her article 'Learning from success and failure: deconstructing the working relationship within probation practice and exploring its impact upon probationers, using a collaborative approach' was published in the Probation Journal.

Fernando Reinares

Fernando Reinares is Director of the Program on Global Terrorism at Elcano Royal Institute and Professor of Government and Security Studies at Universidad Rey Juan Carlos in Madrid. His recent book Matadlos (Kill Them) is a reconstruction of the Madrid bombing from 2004. Moreover he edited the by Columbia University Press published book 'The Evolution of the Global Terrorist Threat. From 9/11 to Osama bin Laden's Death' in 2014.

Magnus Ranstorp

Magnus Ranstorp is a Working Group leader RAN INT/EXT the case of Foreign Fighters in Europe.