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EUROPEAN COMMITTEE ON CRIME PROBLEMS
(CDPC)

Council for Penological Co-operation
(PC-CP)

5th Plenary Meeting

Strasbourg, 17-19 November 2015

SUMMARY MEETING REPORT

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**The PC-CP plenary:**

- Took note of the opening address by Mr Jan Kleijssen, Director, Information Society and Action against Crime Directorate, DG Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe;
- Adopted its meeting agenda and its order of business;
- Took note of the report by its Chair, Mr Mauro Palma regarding the work carried out by its Working Group after its 4th PC-CP plenary meeting in November 2014 and considered its draft mandate for 2016/2017 and in particular the task to draft a manual (or a handbook) regarding tools for identifying and dealing with violent extremists and containing good practices in this respect;
- Adopted the summary meeting report of the last PC CP Working Group meeting;
- Took into consideration the opinion of the CDPC Bureau and of the CODEXTER plenary related to the draft Guidelines for prison and probation services regarding radicalisation and violent extremism and conveyed back to the CODEXTER plenary the outcome of the discussions at the PC-CP level in this respect;
- Took note of the commentary drafted by Mr Francesco Ragazzi, scientific expert, to the draft Guidelines, made some proposals for amendments or additions to it and agreed that it will be presented as the expert's view on the text of the Guidelines at the forthcoming CDPC plenary;
- Amended, finalised and approved the draft Guidelines and forwarded these to the CDPC;
- Considered the draft Recommendation on the European Rules on community sanctions and measures and its preamble, took note that the same will be further redrafted in 2016 and will also be discussed at the 21st Conference of Directors of Prison and Probation Services in June 2016 and had no comments to make on the text at this stage;
- Took note of the information provided by the representative of the Dutch Prison Administration and the Secretariat regarding the holding of the 21st Council of Europe Conference of Directors of Prison and Probation Services (14-15 June 2016, The Netherlands) and thanked the Dutch authorities for hosting this important event. It then approved its general format and working title "Community Involvement in Prison and Probation Work". It also agreed that radicalisation will be discussed again at the Conference in view of the importance of this topic for the prison and probation services;
- Took note of the presentations made by Ms Kirsten Hawlitschek, EuroPris, Ms Roisin Mulgrew, Assistant Professor, School of Law, University of Nottingham and Ms Femke Hofstee van der Meulen, Prison Watch regarding the implementation of Recommendation CM/Rec (2012) 12 on foreign prisoners, debated the issue of implementation of Council of Europe standards by its member states and ways to improve it;
- Considered the draft White Paper on prison overcrowding and decided that in view of the fact that its current Chair and Vice-Chair had participated in the work of the Drafting Committee so far and the latter will hold its last meeting in April 2016, the same should continue to represent the PC-CP at this last meeting. It was further agreed that its next Chair, Mr Geiran will also attend in order to ensure continuity. The national delegations were invited to send their proposals for amendment and additions to the draft White Paper not later than 15 January 2016;

- Took note of the proposal made by the SPACE team to leave out data on small countries from charts and diagrams showing statistical trends in Europe over longer periods of time and decided that this issue requires further discussion at the next meeting of the Working Group in the presence of the SPACE team of experts. Took into consideration the appeal made to send data in time. The PC-CP approved the proposal made to hold a new meeting of the SPACE national correspondents in 2016. Some delegates requested that the data collected should be presented in a format which is more accessible to the national authorities;
- Took note with interest of the recently launched project on de-radicalisation presented by Mr Thony, General Prosecutor at the Court of Appeal of Colmar, France and decided to invite him to discuss the first results of its implementation next year;
- Took note that the mandate of four elected members of the PC CP Working Group will expire at the next CDPC plenary meeting on 2-4 December 2015 and that two candidates have been officially presented so far (by the Belgian and the Bulgarian authorities);
- Took note of the report concerning the co-operation activities in the prison and probation fields;
- Decided to hold its next plenary meeting in November 2016.

DRAFT AGENDA / PROJET D'ORDRE DU JOUR

1. Opening of the meeting / Ouverture de la réunion

2. Adoption of the draft agenda and the draft order of business /
Adoption du projet d'ordre du jour et du projet d'ordre des travaux

3. Report of the PC-CP Chair / Rapport du Président du PC-CP

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4. Adoption of the summary meeting reports of the PC-CP Working Group / Adoption des rapports sommaires des réunions du Groupe de travail du PC-CP

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5. Information provided by the Secretariat / Informations fournies par le Secrétariat

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6. Draft Guidelines for the prison and probation services facing radicalisation and violent extremism / Projet de lignes directrices pour les services pénitentiaires et de probation faisant face à la radicalisation et à l'extrémisme violent

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7. Draft Recommendation on the European Rules on community sanctions and measures / Projet de Recommandation sur les Règles européennes concernant les sanctions et mesures appliquées dans la communauté

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8. 21st Council of Europe Conference of Directors of Prison and Probation Services (2016, the Netherlands) / 21^e Conférence du Conseil de l'Europe des Directeurs des services pénitentiaires et de probation (2016, Pays-Bas)

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9. Foreign Prisoners / Détenus étrangers

[Presentation Femke Hofstee van der Meulen](#)

10. Presentation by Mr Jean-François Thony, General Prosecutor of Colmar, High Court of Mulhouse / Intervention de M. Jean-François Thony, Procureur Général de Colmar, Tribunal de Grande Instance de Mulhouse

[Presentation Roisin Mulgrew](#)

11. Co-operation activities in the prison and probation field / Activités de coopération dans le domaine pénitentiaire et de probation

[Presentation](#)
[Tanja Rakusic](#)

12. Review of the Recommendations and Resolutions in prison and probation fields / Examen des Recommandations et des Résolutions dans les domaines pénitentiaires et de probation

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13. Draft White Paper on prison overcrowding / Projet de Livre blanc concernant le surpeuplement carcéral

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14. SPACE statistics and the work with the national correspondents /
Les statistiques SPACE et le travail avec les correspondants nationaux

15. Elections / Elections

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16. Any other business / Questions diverses

17. Dates of the next plenary meeting / Dates de la prochaine réunion plénière

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