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**EUROPEAN COMMITTEE ON CRIME PROBLEMS**  
**(CDPC)**

**Council for Penological Co-operation**  
**(PC-CP)**

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

Regarding the implementation of Committee of Ministers Recommendation  
n° R(99)22 concerning prison overcrowding and prison population inflation

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1. **Has your country in the course of the last five years revised its criminal legislation to decriminalize certain types of offences or reduce the types of offences for which one may receive a prison sentence?**

- Yes
- No

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2. **Has your country in the course of the last five years revised its criminal legislation to introduce new types of offences for which one may receive a prison sentence or to increase the length of imprisonment for certain types of offences?**

- Yes
- No

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3. **In your country a suspect may be detained in pre-trial detention only for offences punishable by imprisonment of:**

- above 1 year
- above 3 years
- above 5 years
- there is no link between the use of pre-trial detention and the length of potential imprisonment

4. **Has your country in the course of the last five years reformed its legislation or structures in order to reinforce the system of alternatives to pre-trial detention and/or imprisonment:**

- Yes
- No

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5. **Is a minimum living space for each prisoner fixed by your national laws or regulations? If the answer is "yes" please specify whether there are guarantees for respect of this rule and sanctions in case of non-respect.**

- Yes
- No

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6. **Do prisons in your country have a fixed maximum prison capacity? If the answer is “yes” please specify whether there are guarantees for respect of this rule and sanctions in case of non-respect.**

- Yes
- No

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7. **Does your legislation and/or judicial procedures provide for (underline the options which exist in your country):**

- diversion from the formal criminal justice process;
- penal mediation;
- discretionary prosecution;
- suspended sentence;
- suspended execution of prison sentence;
- alternatives to pre-trial detention;
- community sanctions and measures;
- early release from prison

8. **Do you consider that your country has a well-developed system allowing to deal efficiently with the majority of offenders in the community? Please justify your answer.**

- Yes
- No

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9. **You are representing:**

- the judiciary
- the prison administration
- the probation service

10. **You are:**

- woman
- man