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

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

**13th Meeting of the Working Group**

**Strasbourg, 26-28 September 2016**

**SUMMARY MEETING REPORT**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### The PC-CP Working Group:

- Took note the opening address made by Jan Kleijssen, Director, Information Society and Action against Crime Directorate, DG Human Rights and Rule of Law. It took note in particular of the decision taken by the European Committee on Crime Problems (CDPC) after the 21<sup>st</sup> Conference of Directors of Prison and Probation Services (June 2016, Zaandam, the Netherlands) to entrust the PC-CP with the drafting of Guidelines for prison services related to children of imprisoned parents, as well as of the need to start work on restorative justice. It further took note of the holding of a meeting on radicalisation in November 2016. It also took note of the fact that CDPC and CODEXTER will start working on Guidelines on victim of terrorism;
- Took into consideration the information provided by Carlo Chiaromonte, Head of the Criminal Law division regarding the rest of the decisions taken at the last plenary meeting of the CDPC in June 2016 and in particular regarding the prison overcrowding, namely to set up a temporary sub-group of the CDPC in order to develop proposals for practical measures to be taken to ensure the implementation of the recommendations contained in the White Paper on prison overcrowding;
- Agreed with the proposal one or more of its members to take part in the work of the above sub-group;
- Took note of the fact that the CDPC plenary requested the PC-CP to speed up the drafting of the Handbook so that it is adopted at the CDPC plenary in December 2016 and that before the start of the present meeting no written comments or proposals for amendments of the text were sent to the Secretariat by the CDPC national delegations;
- Took note of the presentation made by FARAPEJ (Federation of over 60 French Associations working in prisons called "Fédération des Associations Reflexion, Action, Prison et Justice") and of their Colloquium to be held in Paris under the auspices of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe to mark the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the European Prison Rules and to take stock of their implementation in practice and agreed that a PC-CP representative will attend the meeting;
- Considered the revised draft Handbook on radicalisation and made further proposals for additions and amendments;
- Considered the revised draft Recommendation on community sanctions and measures and its commentary and made further proposals for changes to the two texts. Agreed with the proposal made by Rob Canton, scientific expert to prepare for the PC-CP plenary meeting a document containing the text of each rule followed by the respective commentary to it and after the adoption of the Recommendation by the Committee of Ministers to publish in the same manner the recommendation and the commentary to facilitate practitioners when consulting the adopted standards;
- Revised and updated the table of the Council of Europe Recommendations in the penitentiary field and took decisions regarding the priorities in its work related to the suggested tasks contained in the table;
- Decided in relation to the above to request approval by the CDPC of its priority tasks for 2017, namely: revision and updating of the commentary to the European Prison Rules; drafting of a Committee of Ministers recommendation regarding children of imprisoned parents and examination of the issue of restorative justice;
- Took note of the presentations made by the representatives of EPAS and in particular in relation to the publication "Sport in prisons" in the preparation of the activities for which the PC-CP was associated in the past years;
- Considered the contents, format and expected outcome of the meeting on radicalisation scheduled for November 2016 and made specific proposals regarding topics for discussion at the workshops, moderators and overall organisation of this event;

- Considered the outcome of the 21<sup>st</sup> CDPPS (Zaandam, 2016) and took note of the very positive observations made by the EuroPris members regarding the fact that this event improves its quality and importance every year;
- In relation to the proposal made by the Pompidou Secretariat to include the topic related to drugs in prisons in the agenda of the 22<sup>nd</sup> CDPPS (Norway, 2017) was of the opinion that this topic was already presented as a side event at the CDPPS in Zaandam. The topic of the next year's Conference, as decided already in June 2016 between the Council of Europe and the Norwegian authorities, will be related to staff education and training. This is a very important and vast topic and therefore there will be no possibility to include drugs in prisons in addition to it in particular bearing in mind that half of the participants are Directors of the probation services.
- Discussed the topic, the sub-topics, the format and structure of the 22<sup>nd</sup> CDPPS and made some preliminary proposals in relation to this (to be further discussed at its plenary meeting in the presence of the Norwegian hosts);
- Took note of the EU 18 months financial contribution to the Council of Europe Annual Penal Statistics (SPACE) for the period October 2016 - March 2018;
- Urged its members to promote more visibly the PC-CP work and its outcomes on the websites of their respective national agencies and decided to reiterate the same request to all national delegations at its plenary meeting in October 2016. Further decided to use more actively the Council of Europe Facebook and Twitter accounts for the same purpose;
- Was satisfied with the gender balanced aspect of the texts drafted and of its overall work at the meeting;
- Decided to hold its next WG meetings on 30 January - 1 February 2017; on 10-12 April 2017 and on 20-22 September 2017. Its next year's plenary meeting will be held on 6-8 November 2017.

**AGENDA / ORDRE DU JOUR**

**1. Opening of the meeting / Ouverture de la réunion**

**2. Adoption of the agenda and the order of business / Adoption de l'ordre du jour et de l'ordre des travaux**

**3. Adoption of the summary report of the last meeting / Adoption du rapport sommaire de la dernière réunion**

***PC-CP (2016) 5  
English / Français***

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

***CDPC (2016) 8  
English / Français***

**5. Handbook on radicalisation in prisons / Guide sur la radicalisation dans les prisons**

***PC-CP (2016) 2 rev  
English / Français***

**6. Review of the Recommendations and Resolutions in prison and probation fields / Examen des Recommandations et des Résolutions dans les domaines des prisons et de la probation**

***PC-CP (2014) 16 rev 2  
English / Français***

**7. Follow-up to the 21st Council of Europe Conference of Directors of Prison and Probation Services (2016, the Netherlands) / Suites à donner à la 21e Conférence du Conseil de l'Europe des Directeurs des services pénitentiaires et de probation (2016, Pays-Bas)**

***Link***

**8. 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**

***PC-CP (2016) 4 rev 3  
English / Français***

***PC-CP (2016) 8  
English / Français***

**9. Sport in prisons / Le sport dans les prisons**

***Link***

***Presentation***

***Intervention  
d'introduction***

**10. Presentation of the FARAPEJ activities / Présentation des activités FARAPEJ**

***Link***

**11. Any other business / Questions diverses**

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**12. Dates of the next meetings / Dates des prochaines réunions**

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