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European NPM Conference:

The Role of NPMs in the Effective Implementation of European Court of Human Rights Judgments and CPT Recommendations

Tackling Police Ill-treatment and Ensuring Effective Investigations into Alleged Ill-treatment

Online, 20-22 September 2021

AGENDA

Day 1: Monday, 20 September 2021

Link to KUDO platform: <https://vmeeting.coe.int/k8/241119288384/join>

***NB:** This link is for Monday, 20 September 2021 only. Please see the instructions provided via email!*

09:45 – 10:00 **Log-in of participants**

SESSION 1: Opening session on the execution of judgments process

10:00 – 10:30 **Conference opening and welcoming remarks**

- Mr Christophe Poirel, Director of Human Rights, Council of Europe
- Mr Sebastian Rietz, Project Manager, European NPM Forum, Council of Europe
- Ms Clare Ovey, Head of Department, Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe

10:30 – 10:50 **Introductory session: Presentation of the execution of judgments process and NPMs' role in this process**

- Mr Nikolaos Sitaropoulos, Head of Division, Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe

10:50 – 11:20 **Outlining the challenge: The problem of non-implementation or inadequate implementation of ECtHR judgments and NHRIs' role in this process**

- Ms Ioana Iliescu, Law and Advocacy Officer, European Implementation Network (EIN)
- Ms Katrien Meuwissen, Senior Human Rights Officer, European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)

11:20 – 11:30 **Coffee Break**

- 11:30 – 12:00** **Good practice examples: NPMs’ participation in the execution of judgments process**
- Mr Vahe Harutyuyan, Senior Advisor, Armenian NPM, Human Rights Defender (Ombudsman) of the Republic of Armenia
 - Ms Anne-Sophie Bonnet, Monitor, Officer in Charge of International Relations, French NPM (*Contrôleur général des lieux de privation de liberté*)
- 12:00 – 12:30** **Discussion among NPMs and Q&A on the execution of judgements process the NPMs’ role in this process**
- 12:30 – 14:30** **Lunch Break**

SESSION 2: Training session on Rule 9 submissions

- 14:30 – 15:00** **Training session: “How to write effective Rule 9 submissions?”**
- Mr Patrick Schäfer, Head of Section, Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe
- 15:00 – 15:20** **Discussion among NPMs and Q&A on Rule 9 submissions**
- 15:20 – 15:30** **Coffee Break**

SESSION 3: Substantive session on police ill-treatment and effective investigations into alleged ill-treatment (Part 1)

- 15:30 – 16:00** **Outlining the problem (I): The structural problem of police ill-treatment and ineffective investigations into alleged ill-treatment in the practice of Council of Europe monitoring bodies**
- Ms Vânia Costa-Ramos, CPT member
 - Mr Özgür Derman, Head of Division, Office of the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights
- 16:00 – 16:30** **Outlining the problem (II): The Court’s pilot and leading judgments on police ill-treatment and ineffective investigations into alleged ill-treatment**
- Mr Lətif Hüseynov, Judge, European Court of Human Rights and former President of the CPT
 - Ms Lubov Stoytcheva, Head of Section, Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe
- 16:30 – 16:50** **Discussion among NPMs and Q&A on the structural problem of police ill-treatment and ineffective investigations as outlined by the CPT and the Court’s judgments**
- 16:50 – 17:00** **Closing Remarks Day 1**
- Ms Marie Steinbrecher (General Rapporteur), Research Fellow, PRILA project, Trinity College Dublin

Day 2: Tuesday, 21 September 2021

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09:45 – 10:00 **Log-in of participants**

SESSION 3: Substantive session on police ill-treatment and effective investigations into alleged ill-treatment (Part 2)

10:00 – 10:10 **Opening Remarks Day 2**

- Mr Sebastian Rietz, Project Manager, European NPM Forum, Council of Europe

10:10 – 10:50 **Addressing the problem (I): Tackling the structural problem of police ill-treatment**

- Mr Pavlo Pushkar, Head of Division, Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, Council of Europe
- Mr Michael Kellett, Vice-President of the Board of the Association for the Prevention of Torture (APT), former police officer, and CPT expert

10:50 – 11:15 **Discussion among NPMs and Q&A on the requirements for implementing the Court's judgments on police ill-treatment**

11:15 – 11:30 **Coffee Break**

11:30 – 12:10 **Addressing the problem (II): Tackling the structural problem of ineffective investigations into alleged police ill-treatment**

- Ms Chryssa Hatzi, Senior Investigator, National Mechanism for the Investigation of Arbitrary Incidents, Office of the Greek Ombudsman
- Ms Maïté de Rue, Senior Legal Officer, Open Society and Justice Initiative (OSJI), former Deputy Prosecutor and former member and Vice-President of the CPT

12:10 – 12:30 **Discussion among NPMs and Q&A on the requirements for implementing the Court's judgments on ineffective investigations into alleged police ill-treatment**

12:30 – 14:30 **Lunch Break**

14:30 – 15:00 **Addressing the problem (III): Independent oversight of police and investigations, including oversight role of independent bodies and independent complaints mechanisms**

- Ms Justice Mary Ellen Ring, Chairperson, Irish Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission, Judge of the High Court, Member of the Independent Police Complaints Authorities' Network (IPCAN)
- Ms Guro Glærum Kleppe, Deputy Director, Norwegian Bureau for the Investigation of Police Affairs, Member of IPCAN

15:00 – 15:25 **Discussion among NPMs and Q&A on independent oversight of police and investigations**

15:25 – 15:40 **Coffee Break**

15:40 – 16:10 **Addressing the problem (IV): Combating impunity for police ill-treatment**

- Mr Mykola Gnatovskyy, CPT member and former President of the CPT
- Mr Gerald Staberock, Secretary General, World Organisation Against Torture (OMCT)

- 16:10 – 16:30** **Discussion among NPMs and Q&A on combating impunity**
- 16:30 – 16:50** **Closing discussion on how NPM’s see their role in working on police ill-treatment and effective investigations and in implementing relevant Court judgments and CPT recommendations**
- 16:50 – 17:00** **Closing Remarks Day 2**
- Ms Marie Steinbrecher (General Rapporteur), Research Fellow, PRILA project, Trinity College Dublin

Day 3: Wednesday, 22 September 2021

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- 09:45 – 10:00** **Log-in of participants**

SESSION 4: Closing session on NPM-related issues

- 10:00 – 10:10** **Opening remarks and presentation of the follow-up European NPM Forum Project**
- Mr Sebastian Rietz, Project Manager, European NPM Forum, Council of Europe
- 10:10 – 10:30** **Discussion among NPMs and Q&A**
- 10:30 – 11:00** **Presentation of the outcome of the consultations with European NPMs on the initiative of setting up an International Training Centre for Visits to Places of Deprivation of Liberty**
- Mr Philippe Pottier, Chairperson, Association for the Creation of an International Training Centre for Visits to Places of Deprivation of Liberty
 - Mr Jean-Marie Delarue, Member of the Association, former Head of the French NPM
 - Mr Vincent Theis, Secretary of the Association, former member of the CPT
- 11:00 – 11:50** **Discussion among NPMs and Q&A on the initiative**
- 11:50 – 12:00** **Coffee Break**
- 12:00 – 12:30** **Presentation of the “Prison Life Index” Project**
- Ms Florence Laufer, Director, Prison Insider
 - Ms Lola Martin Moro, PhD student, National Conservatory of Arts and Professions (CIFRE)/ Prison Insider
- 12:30 – 13:00** **Discussion among NPMs and Q&A on the initiative**
- 13:00 – 13:10** **Closing Remarks Day 3**
- Ms Marie Steinbrecher (General Rapporteur), Research Fellow, PRILA project, Trinity College Dublin
- 13:10 – 13:30** **Conference closing & wrap-up and feedback by participants**
- Ms Jennifer Schütze-Reymann, Head of Unit, Torture Prevention Unit, Council of Europe
 - Mr Sebastian Rietz, Project Manager, European NPM Forum, Council of Europe