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***PRISON AND PROBATION: THE ITALIAN
CHOICE FOR SEPARATE MANAGEMENT
MODELS***

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REGULATORY FRAMEWORK:

1. Presidential Decree no. 84 of 15 June 2015
2. Ministerial Decree of 17 November 2015
3. Ministerial Decree of 1° December 2017



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THE ITALIAN MODEL: JOINT MANAGEMENT OF THE PROBATION FOR ADULTS AND JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM

- In Italy the probation model has been developing since 1988 in the juvenile justice system and it is nowadays the paradigm of the probation for adults: the same successful practices of the juvenile probation have been applied to adults
- Probation was established within the Italian juvenile legislation (just think that probation for minors is not limited to the type of offence committed, including voluntary murder). Probation in adults' system started in 2014 and is based on the juvenile experience (although with its own peculiarities: only for some types of offences, with a sentence not exceeding four years)
- In the same way, penal mediation (one "side" of restorative justice) was first introduced as "juvenile penal mediation" to "be transferred" to adults in 2014.



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THE MAIN PURPOSE OF ITALIAN MODEL

1. Implementation of alternative sanctions to detention;
2. Specifically, implementation of the new community Probation measure;
3. Interaction between prison and probation services to increase alternative sanctions to detention.



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PROBATION SERVICES IN ITALY



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COORDINATION BETWEEN PRISON AND PROBATION SERVICES IN ITALY

1. Circular letters
2. Joint training of prison and probation staff
3. Joint dialogue with the Judiciary also within the Superior Council of Judiciary



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IN DETAIL:

- Drafting **regional agreements** between regional Directorates and Inter-district Probation Offices in order to increase community measures and sanctions; in particular, these agreements aim at finding out the priorities for intervention.
- Definition of **good practices for both systems to achieve the** decrease of prison population.
- Identification within prison and probation services, of **one or more workers to take care of all the best ways to allow prisoners to access alternative sanctions**. Such workers shall carry out all procedures of monitoring and treatment of prisoners who will be admitted to serve the sentence into the community.



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RECRUITMENT AND JOINT TRAINING OF PRISON AND PROBATION STAFF

- Separate recruitment and joint training of prison and probation staff
- Prison police recruitment
- The Directorate-General for Training



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**MIXED COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF PROBLEMS RELATED TO THE
SUPERVISORY JUDGE AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF SENTENCES**



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