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Project News

4th Workshop in Schwerin, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania (Germany) 2nd to 5th of April 2014

“Development of a Modular System and Minimum Standards for the Transition Management of High- Risk- Offenders”

The Workshop was to start in the Prison of Waldeck, which is responsible for sentences of more than 5 years up to lifelong sentences of male prisoners in MV. The Social Therapy for adult male prisoners and the Diagnostic Centre of MV are also situated in the Prison of Waldeck, which is specialized on custody, assessment and treatment of High- Risk- Offenders. Project Partners and other participants of the Workshop were especially interested in the conception of the Social Therapy and the methodology of the Diagnostic Centre; they were at the same time given an insight in organisation and every- day- life of a prison specialized in custody and treatment of High- Risk- Offenders.

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The following days of the Workshop, continued at the Ministry of Justice in Schwerin, were dedicated to the development of a Modular System and Minimum Standards for the Transition Management of High- Risk- Offenders by the participants of the Workshop.

Dr. Ineke Pruin – University of Greifswald, MV - speaking on “Research on transition management in High- Risk- Offenders”, made the start-up. She was followed by colleagues from the Diagnostic Centre of the prison of Waldeck, speaking on “Diagnosis and Prognosis at the Diagnostic Centre of Waldeck Prison” as well as a Judge from Rostock Court and an Officer from Police Headquarters Rostock speaking on “FOCUS- For Optimized Control and Security- police duties in supervised release”.



After a plenary discussion the audience then divided up in four different parallel workshops:

- 1) Legislation
- 2) Sentence Planning
- 3) Transition Management and Release
- 4) Reintegration, Aftercare and Monitoring

Participants of each of these 4 workshops were discussing the above mentioned topics in order to come to a Model of Standards that can be true for all of Europe.



We are looking back at some extraordinary days in Schwerin. Lively discussions between project partners and other guests and participants of the Schwerin Workshop have enhanced our view on many professional aspects of our work and led to a broader outcome of our project than we would have expected beforehand. Therefore we would like to thank all participants, especially the international and national guests, for their support and commitment.



The final results will be published on our homepage soon.

Final Conference

The JCN-project team is proud to present the results of the EU-project “Justice Cooperation Network” in the final conference.

The final conference of the European treatment and transition management of high risk offenders project will be held in the Yachting & Spar Resort Hohe Düne in Rostock-Warnemünde (<http://www.hohe-duene.de>) from 3rd to 5th September 2014.

Meanwhile we received more than 200 registrations from more than 30 countries.



The Conference will feature presentations on the findings from the project, contributions from experts and workshop discussions. It will be a valuable opportunity for networking, to meet with experienced colleagues and experts in transition management, to exchange knowledge and develop partnerships.



During the conference, we will have a poster presentation at a “marketplace” in the conference centre. The delegates (organizations, institutes and other projects) are very welcome to highlight their most important aspects of the treatment and reintegration process, and/or to share best practices.

We are looking forward to interesting three days in September 2014!

Upcoming project meetings are:

Final conference (Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania, Germany) from 3rd-5th September 2014

How can you get (or stay) involved?

One best way to get the last information, including



the workshop activities, is to send your e-mail address to the project coordinator. Please send an e-mail to barbarah.hansen@jm.mv-regierung.de. Ms Hansen will provide you with the following newsletters and further information. We also invite you to visit our [website](#) where you'll find all the latest information about the ongoing project work.

We will publish the next JCN newsletter in October 2014.