

Speaker Biographies



Kristel Beyens holds a PhD in Criminology and is a Professor of Penology at the Criminology Department, research group Crime and Society (CRiS) of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Free University of Brussels, Belgium). She published on sentencing, prison overcrowding and the implementation of prison sentences and community sanctions. Her current research interests are prison food, prison architecture, the use of technology in punishment and decision-making in the phase of sentence implementation. Together with Mike Nellis and Dan Kaminski she just published a book on electronic monitoring (2013, Routledge). Her most recent edited book is entitled 'The pains of doing criminological research' (2013, ASP). Kristel Beyens is a member of the editorial board of the *European Journal of Probation* and a founding member of the ESC working group on Community Sanctions (chair 2009 – 2012). She is the vice-chair of the COST action on Offender Supervision in Europe.



Miranda Boone is a Professor of Penology and Penitentiary Law at the University of Groningen and Senior Lecturer Criminology and Criminal Law at the University of Utrecht. Her Phd thesis was on the topic of community sentences and measures and she continued publishing on that topic since that time. Other research topics she recently published on are criminal records and reintegration, prison experiences, selectivity in sentencing and detention of irregular migrants.



Mary Bosworth is Reader in Criminology and Fellow of St Cross College at the University of Oxford and, concurrently, Professor of Criminology at Monash University, Australia. She conducts research into immigration detention and border control in the UK and Greece and is currently heading a five-year project on "Subjectivity, Identity and Penal Power: Incarceration in a Global Age" funded by a Starter Grant from the European Research Council. Mary is part of an interdisciplinary team from the Universities of Oxford, York, Birmingham, Lancaster and Exeter who have been granted funds from the ESRC to hold a seminar series entitled 'Exploring Everyday Practice and Resistance in Immigration Detention'. She is also, with colleagues from Monash University, conducting research in Greek Immigration Detention Centres. She is the UK Editor-in-Chief of *Theoretical Criminology*, a co-editor of *Routledge Studies in Criminal Justice, Borders and Citizenship*, and a member of the editorial boards of the *British Journal of Criminology* and *Race & Justice*.



Lol Burke is a Senior Lecturer in Criminal Justice at Liverpool John Moores University. He has worked as a Probation Officer and Senior Probation Officer and was involved in the delivery of probation training prior to his current appointment. Lol has written extensively on probation policy, practice and training issues and has spoken at both national and international conferences. He is currently editor of the Probation Journal and a member of the editorial board of the European Journal of Probation. He is also a member of the Howard League for Penal Reform's Research Advisory Group, the European Society of Criminology Working Group on Community Sanctions and CREDOS (an international collaboration of researchers for the development of effective offender supervision).



Ioan Durnescu is a Senior Lecturer at the University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work. He is also the director of a research grant awarded by the Romanian National Authority for Research on the subject of 'Who Works in Probation'. Ioan is also the founder and editor of the European Journal of Probation (www.ejprob.eu) and author of a number of books and articles published in Romania and abroad. Together with Professor Anton van Kalmthout he co-edited 'Probation in Europe'; a book commissioned by the European Conference of Probation (better known as CEP). His main research interests are: comparative probation, working with offenders to improve their life, staff skills and characteristics (who works), prison work, resettlement and so on.



Christian Grafl is Professor of Criminology and Criminalistics at the University of Vienna, Faculty of Law. He is deputy head of the Institute of Criminal Law and Criminology and head of the Department of Criminology at the University of Vienna. His main research interests are the effects of penal sanctions, juvenile delinquency, crime prevention, and criminalistics.



Coming up 40 years in probation and prison work, **Tony Grapes** has been about a bit. Probation Officer, Team Leader and Senior Operational Manager in South Yorkshire, he moved to the National Probation Directorate (becoming NOMS) in 2003. He is the architect and author of the NOMS Offender Management Model, probation National Standards from 2006 to 2009, and the key specifications - Offender Management and Supervision - for the "new world" of commissioning. Since 2009 he has worked throughout Europe, most notably on twinning projects in Turkey and Croatia, and the pan-EU DOMICE Project, in search of best practice in correctional case management.



Annette Hennessey began her probation career in 1977 as a volunteer in Derbyshire Probation Service. She went on to become a Probation Services Officer in Derbyshire before undertaking probation officer training in 1979. She subsequently worked as a Probation Officer in Lancashire in a variety of settings including a prison. She also worked as a Team Manager at Blackpool and in the organisation's training unit. She joined Cumbria Probation Trust in 2001 as a senior manager, and became Trust Chief Executive in 2008. During her time at Cumbria Annette led the organisation to Trust status in 2009. She played a significant role in developing their partnership work, with two notable examples being the establishment of the co-ordinated community response to domestic violence - a nationally recognised model of good practice, and national award winning criminal justice projects for reducing reoffending with partners. In 2012 Annette joined Merseyside Probation Trust as their Chief Executive Officer and is currently leading the organisation through a period of unprecedented change. The Trust achieved a first for any public sector in being awarded a national award for UK Excellence from the British Quality Foundation. Merseyside Probation Trust is leading on innovation in working with personality disorders, gun and gangs, domestic violence and mentoring. We are implementing a desistance based approach to offending on the Wirral and we are recognised for our approach to working with women through specific community based hubs. Annette is the lead for the Probation Chiefs Association on public protection and Chair of the North West Probation Trusts group.



Professor **Martine Herzog-Evans** teaches at the Law Faculty of the University of Reims, France. She previously taught in Nantes and Paris. She has a degree in public law (Paris XI Sceaux, 1983), a certificate in European law (Paris I Sorbonne, 1984), and a Master plus in private international law and international commerce (Paris XI, 1986). She originally taught torts, family law, contracts, property law and commercial law. However, she later specialized in criminal law and more specifically in sentences' implementation, prison law and probation. Her PhD thesis (Poitiers, 1994) concerned prisons and sentences' implementation (*'La gestion du comportement du détenu. L'apparence legaliste du droit pénitentiaire'* : 'Managing inmates' behaviour through fictitious legal regulations'). Since then she has mostly published in these fields. However she still publishes in other fields such as family law. She has published more than 20 books and more than 300 articles or encyclopaedia entries.



Daria Janssen is the Communications Office of CEP, the European Organisation for Probation. CEP aims to promote the social inclusion of offenders through community sanctions and measures such as probation, community service, mediation and conciliation. CEP is committed to enhance the profile of probation and to improve professionalism in this field, on a national and a European level. Its members are organisations working in the field of probation, ministries of justice, universities and interested individuals. The

network thus brings together practitioners, managers, academics, stakeholders and others working in the field of probation and criminal justice from all over Europe. CEP is the spokesperson to European bodies such as the European Union and the Council of Europe, it is therefore the voice of probation in 'Brussels'. CEP is the abbreviation for 'Conférence Permanente Européenne de la Probation' and CEP was founded in 1981.



Alison Lieblich is Professor of Criminology and Criminal Justice, and Director of the Prisons Research Centre at the Institute of Criminology, University of Cambridge. She has carried out research on young offender throughcare, suicides in prison and their prevention, staff-prisoner relationships, the work of prison officers, small units for difficult prisoners, incentives and earned privileges, prison privatisation, secure training centres, governing prisons, and measuring the quality of prison life. She has published several books, including *Suicides in Prison* (1992), *Prisons and their Moral Performance: A Study of Values, Quality and Prison Life* (2004), *The Prison Officer* (2011, 2nd edition) and (with Shadd Maruna, 2005) *The Effects of Imprisonment*. She has published widely in criminological journals. She recently completed a repeat of a study of staff prisoner relationships at Whitemoor prison and is starting a study called, 'Locating and Building Trust in High Security Prison Settings'.



Elena Larrauri is Professor of Criminal Law and Criminology at [Universitat Pompeu Fabra](#) (Barcelona). Her research interests are criminal records, community sentences and gender analysis of criminal justice system. She has been awarded Fulbright-la Caixa and Alexander von Humboldt Scholarship. She was president of the European Society of Criminology (2007-2010). She has been invited as a visiting fellow to [All Souls College \(University of Oxford\)](#) for the academic year 2013-2014. She is founding member of the [Criminology and Criminal Justice System Research Group](#).



Raymond Lunn following graduation from the University of Leeds studying Sociology and Social Policy (2009) went on an ethnographic journey of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 in Cornwall, London & Leeds. After rediscovering the barriers to housing, the practice of discrimination in recruitment practices and the continued stigmatization of people who have changed - he attempts to challenge perceptions, to seek and share knowledge. Raymond campaigns and comments independently about the impact of policy on rehabilitation and recidivism. Recent project involvement include: Change the Record by Nacro (2010), The Road from Crime (2011) by the Discovering Desistance Project (ongoing) including www.ex-offender.co.uk (2009-?) and www.desistance.info (2009-12).



Gerry McNally is Assistant Director of the Probation Service Ireland. He has many years experience as a Probation Officer and Manager working in Courts, Prisons and local communities in Ireland. He is a member of the Probation Service senior management team with responsibility for Professional Standards, Research, Business development and international projects. Gerry has published papers and articles on probation issues as well as contributing conference presentations over many years. He is currently co-editor of the Irish Probation Journal.



Fergus McNeill is Professor of Criminology & Social Work at the University of Glasgow, where he works in the Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research. Prior to becoming an academic in 1998, he worked in residential drug rehabilitation and as a criminal justice social worker. He has written and published extensively on a range of criminal justice issues including probation, prisons, sentencing, resettlement/reentry and youth justice. He is currently Chair of COST Action IS1106 'Offender Supervision in Europe' (www.offendersupervision.eu), a research network that spans 20 countries.



Dr Niamh Maguire is a Lecturer in Criminology, Probation and Comparative Criminal Justice Systems and is Course Director of the BA in Criminal Justice Studies at Waterford Institute of Technology, Ireland. She is professionally qualified as a barrister and her PhD research examined the views, rationales and sentencing practices of District and Circuit Court judges in Ireland. Niamh is a member of the European Society of Criminology's Working Group on Community Sanctions and is also a co-founding member of its Working Group on Sentencing and Penal Decision Making. She is currently participating in the COST Action Exploring Offender Supervision in Europe and her research interests include sentencing and penal decision-making, probation, community sanctions, offender supervision and comparative criminal justice systems.



George Mair is Professor of Criminal Justice and Head of the Department of Social Science at Liverpool Hope University. Previously he was a Principal Research Officer in the Home Office Research and Planning Unit (1979-1995) and Professor of Criminal Justice at Liverpool John Moores University. He has published extensively, mostly in the area of community penalties but also on criminal

justice responses to drug misuse, electronic monitoring, and criminal justice policy. His most recent publication is 'Redemption, Rehabilitation and Risk Management: a history of probation' (with Lol Burke). He is currently working (with Aline Bauwens) on a comparative study of media representation of probation in England and Wales and Belgium.



Dr. Christine Morgenstern was born in 1967 in Wiesbaden, Germany. She studied law in Freiburg, Hamburg and San Sebastian. Her PhD *Internationale Standards für ambulante Sanktionen und Maßnahmen* (International Standards for Community Sanctions and Measures) was published in 2002. She has been working as lecturer for criminology and criminal law at the University of Greifswald for many years. In 2012 she has been awarded a 3-year grant from the German Research Council to conduct a study on pre-trial detention in Europe. Christine is predominantly interested in human rights aspects of the criminal justice system.



David Nelken (sen41414@gmail.com) taught law at Cambridge, Edinburgh and University College, London, before moving to Italy in 1989 to marry an Italian judge. He is Distinguished Professor of Legal Institutions and Social Change at the University of Macerata in Italy and Distinguished Research Professor of Law at Cardiff University, UK. He is also the Visiting Professor of Criminology at Oxford University's Centre of Criminology (teaching a masters course on comparative criminology and globalisation). He has also taught courses and given master classes in a large number of universities including Berkeley, Copenhagen, EUI / Florence, Haifa, Leuven, London (as S.T.LEE Professorial Fellow), Miami, Monash, NYU, Rio de Janeiro, St Petersburg, Seattle, Sydney, Tel Aviv and Utrecht (as Wiarda Professor). Widely published, Nelken writes mainly about sociology of law and criminology. On social theory and law, see for example, *Law as Communication*, Dartmouth, 1996, and *Beyond Law in Context*, Ashgate, 2009. He has also tried to develop the concept of legal culture e.g. *Comparing Legal Culture*, Dartmouth, 1996, *Adapting Legal Culture (with J.Feest)*, Hart, 2001, and *Using Legal Culture*, Wildy, Simmonds and Hill, 2012. Recently he has increasingly focused on comparative and transnational law, e.g. *Comparative Law: A Handbook* (with E. Orucu), *Comparative Criminal Justice: Making Sense of Difference*, Sage, 2010, and *Comparative Criminal Justice and Globalisation*, Ashgate, 2011). David Nelken received a Distinguished Scholar award from the American Sociological Association in 1985. In 2009 he was given the 'Sellin- Glueck' international career award by the American Society of Criminology, and was made an Academician of the UK Academy of the Social Sciences. In 2011 he gained the biannual senior 'Podgorecki' career prize from the International Sociological Association (RCSL), and in 2013 Cambridge University awarded him an LLD degree and the (USA) Law and Society Association its 'international scholar' award.



Joshua Page is an assistant professor of sociology at the University of Minnesota. He is the author of *The Toughest Beat: Politics, Punishment, and the Prison Officers Union in California* (Oxford University Press, 2011) and “Punishment and the Penal Field” (forthcoming in *The Handbook on Punishment & Society*, Sage). He has also published on prison officer attitudes and unions in *Criminology & Public Policy*, *Women & Criminal Justice* and *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*. Along with Gretchen Purser (Syracuse University), he recently began an in-depth, multi-method study of the bail bond industry.



Michelle Phelps is a Ph.D. candidate in the sociology and social policy program at Princeton University. In the fall of 2013, she will start as an Assistant Professor of Sociology at the University of Minnesota. Her research on rehabilitative programs in the contemporary U.S. prisons has been published in *Law & Society Review* (2011) and the *Journal of Criminal Justice* (2012). Her dissertation analyzes the rise of probation supervision as a criminal justice sanction in the U.S. and its relationship to mass incarceration. The first chapter was recently published in *Law & Policy* (2013). Together with Phil Goodman and Joshua Page, she is currently working on a book manuscript, under contract with Oxford University Press, that uses field theory to provide a new perspective on stability and change in U.S. penal practices.



Gwen Robinson is Reader in Criminal Justice in the School of Law at the University of Sheffield. Her principal research interests are community penalties and their administration; offender management and rehabilitation; penal policy and practice; and restorative justice.



Sonja Snacken is Professor of Criminology, Penology and Sociology of Law at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Belgium), where she now holds a ‘Research Fellowship’ (2006-2016). Her research focuses on the sentencing and implementation of custodial and non-custodial sanctions in Belgium and Europe. She is member of the Editorial Board of *Punishment and Society* and *Déviance et Société*. She was president of the European Society of Criminology (2004-2005). She has been closely involved in the drafting and monitoring of the Council of Europe standards relating to prisons and community sanctions (2006 European Prison Rules, 2010 Council of Europe Probation Rules, expert to the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture).



Kerstin Svensson is Professor in Social Work and Head of the Department of Social Work at Lund University, Sweden. Her main focus in research concerns human service organisations and professions. In this frame social work with offenders, especially in probation, is one of her key issues. Kerstin Svensson has published several textbooks in social work as well as scientific articles and books about probation and victim support as well as on social work with youth, drug abusers and children.



Pete White is the Coordinator of ‘Positive Prisons? Positive Futures’, a community of interest that aims to develop and share the expertise that comes from the lived experience of its members. The main aim of this relatively new charity is to enable those currently within the criminal justice system in Scotland system to benefit from the positive experiences of the group members and move away from offending and back into their families and communities. Pete is also a trustee of the Howard League Scotland.