

EUROPEAN ORGANISATION OF PRISON AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

Day 1: Wednesday 25 September 2019

09:00	Arrival

09:15 - 09:30 Welcome and introductions

Kirsten Hawlitschek – EuroPris Chair - Kris Opdenbosch (Belgium)

09:30 - 09:45 A view from the Commission

09:45 - 10:45 World Café session 1

Delegates divided into small groups, discussion points:

- Addiction and facilities: how do MS deal with transfer requests for offenders with drug addictions?
- Avenues of appeal afforded to prisoners subject to transfer.
- How do MS deal with other MS requesting data on their own nationals in custody, including names, offence details and sentence length? Do data protection laws prevent the transmission of such information?
- How can we improve communications between MS?
- Transfer issues.

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 - 12:30 World Café session 1 continued

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30 - 14:15 Presentation: RePers Project - Mutual Trust and Social Rehabilitation into Practice

Valeria Ferraris to discuss results of project, including difficulties in co-operation and implementation in Italy, Spain and Romania.

14:15 - 14:45 Discussion: Romanian Presidency evaluation on judicial co-operation in criminal matters

14:45 - 15:15 Presentation: General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union

Giovanna Giglia, Carmen Giuffrida on the 9th evaluation round on Mutual recognition legal instruments in the field of deprivation or restriction of liberty

15:15 - 15:45 Coffee Break

15:45 - 16:45 Country overview: Spain

Maximo Martinez Bernal on FD909 from a Spanish perspective / role Spanish Prison Service



17:00 Closing

19:00 Dinner

Day 2: Thursday 26 September 2019

09:00 - 9:30 Country overview: Republic of Ireland

Paul Mannering to present on prisoner transfers to/from the ROI under the Council of Europe Convention on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons.

9:30 – 11:00 General discussion on transfer issues

- Delays in answering requests for prior consent to send a certificate.
- Possible release of convicted murderers sentenced to 30 years to life imprisonment as a result of refusals of compulsory transfers.
- Supplementary costs for translations of court decisions.
- STEPS 2 project improvements to prisoner information sheet.
- Frequency, conditions and obstacles of provisional arrest as per Article 14 of FD909.

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 - 12:00 General discussions continued

- Detention cirumstances what is the impact of European Court rulings on FD909?
- Examples of files articulating EAW and FD909 procedures.

12:00 - 12:30 Chairperson summing up

12:30 Any other business

13:00 Closing

13:15 Lunch