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7th ANNUAL IRISH CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCIES [ICJA] CONFERENCE

*Protecting the Human Rights of Vulnerable
Suspects and Offenders: Defining, Identifying
and Responding to Vulnerabilities*

Friday, 4th June, 2021

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- 10.00** **Welcome**
Bob Collins, Chairperson, The Policing Authority
- 10.10** **Conference outline**
Maura Butler, Chairperson, ACJRD, Conference Chair
- 10.15** **Conference opening**
James Browne T.D. Minister of State Department of Justice and Equality with responsibility for Law Reform
- 10.25** **Vulnerability theory in Practice: The Challenges and Opportunities of using Vulnerability as a Framework for Action in Community Safety**
Francesca Menichelli, University of Surrey
- 10.45** **An Overview of the Legal Position of Vulnerable Defendants in Ireland**
Dr Alan Cusack, University of Limerick
- 11.05** **Questions and Answers**
- 11.15** **Coffee break**
- 11.30** **People with Mental Health and Intellectual Disabilities in Ireland's Criminal Justice System**
Professor Gautam Gulati MD, Adjunct Associate Clinical Professor, University of Limerick
- 11.50** **Children's Rights and Police Questioning**
Professor Ursula Kilkelly, Head of the College of Business and Law, University College Cork
- 12.10** **Questions and Answers**
- 12.20** **Lunch**
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| 1.00 | Thematic Sessions – Delegates to select one thematic session. |
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- 2.00** **Break**
- 2.15** **Panel Discussion**

His Honour Judge John O'Connor; Kate Mulkerrins, Executive Director, Legal, An Garda Síochána; Catherine Pierse, Head of the Prosecution Support Services Division, Office of the DPP; Dara Robinson S.C., Sheehan and Partners, Cormac Quinlan Director of Transformation and Policy, Tusla; Dr Shane McCarthy, Solicitor, The Parole Board

Panel Chair: Helen Hall, CEO, The Policing Authority
- 3.30** **Conference Closing**

THEMATIC SESSIONS

Delegates will attend one Session from the Four Outlined. Delegates will be asked for their preferred Sessions (first and second choice) when completing their conference booking.

1. Police Questioning and Treatment of Persons in Police Custody

- **The Northern Ireland Appropriate Adult Scheme**
Stanley Booth MBE, Criminal Justice Manager, MindWise
- **Training for Effective Interviewing and Legal Assistance in Garda Detention**
Professor Yvonne Daly, School of Law and Government, Dublin City University, and Inspector Andrew Lacey, An Garda Síochána
- **Access to Legal Advice During the COVID 19 Pandemic**
Shalom Binchy, Solicitor, Member of the Policing Authority

2. Criminal Procedure

- **The Use of Intermediaries for Young Defendants: Overcoming Barriers to Young People Effectively Participating in Criminal Court Proceedings in England and Wales**
Raymond Arthur, University of Northumbria
- **The Bail Supervision Scheme: “a period of detention should be imposed only as a measure of last resort” (CA2001 s.96)**
Tony O’Donovan, Principal Officer, Department of Justice, and Kevina Maddick, Service Manager and MST Supervisor, Extern
- **Profiling a Transferable Multiagency Team Intervention Process: The Drug Treatment Court**
Judge Patricia McNamara

3. Prison

- **Vulnerable Prisoners, including IPS Perspectives on Accommodating Transgender Prisoners**
Seamus Beirne, Equality, Inclusion & Diversity Lead, Irish Prison Service
- **Access All Areas: Ensuring Non-discrimination and Access to Rights for People with Disabilities in Prison**
Fíona Ní Chinnéide, Executive Director, Irish Penal Reform Trust
- **Vulnerable Prisoners: The use of Complaints Procedures and Monitoring Mechanisms**
Sophie van der Valk, Prisons: The Rule of Law, Accountability and Rights (PRILA) at Trinity College Dublin.

4. Good/New Practice

- **Disability Awareness Training – A Transferrable Tool for all Agencies?**
Fiona Murphy, Director, Irish Criminal Justice Disability Network (ICJDN) and Garda Alan Bernie Coolock Garda Station
- **Mental Health Among Probation Service Clients in Ireland**
Tony Swaine, Probation Officer, Learning & Development Unit, The Probation Service
- **A Regulatory Framework for Adult Safeguarding**
Patricia Rickard-Clarke, Chairperson, Safeguarding Ireland