



26th ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
Friday 09 June 2023 Camden Court Hotel, Dublin D02 W086

## Accountability and Monitoring in the Criminal Justice System

09.00 - 09.30 [Conference Registration](#)

**09.30 - 09.40 Welcome and Conference Outline**

*Maura Butler, Chairperson, Association for Criminal Justice Research and Development*

**09.40 - 10.00 Launch of Conference**

*The Hon. Ms. Justice Mary Ellen Ring, Judge of the High Court*

### Plenary Sessions

**10.00 - 10.20 The Potential of the Public Sector Equality and Human Rights Duty**

*Chief Commissioner, Sinead Gibney, Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC)*

**10.20 - 10.40 Oversight of Policing in Ireland - Opportunities and Challenges Ahead**

*Commissioner Emily Logan, Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission*

**10.40 - 11.00 An Overview of the Istanbul Convention**

*Ellen O'Malley Dunlop, Council of Europe's GRIEVO Committee*

**11.00 - 11.15 Questions & Answers**

11.15 - 11.45 [Coffee Break and walk to Thematic Sessions](#)

**11.45 - 13.15 Thematic sessions** – see overleaf for details

13.15 - 14.15 [Lunch](#)

### Plenary Sessions

**14.15 - 14.35 Criminal Justice, Sentencing & Public Confidence**

*Professor Cyrus Tata, Director Centre for Law, Crime and Justice, University of Strathclyde, Scotland*

**14.35 - 14.55 Parole: protecting the community, fair to applicants and listening to victims**

*Ciairín de Buis, Chief Executive Officer, Parole Board*

**14.55 - 15.15 Inspections and Investigations in Places of Detention and Imprisonment**

*Mark Kelly, Chief Inspector of Prisons*

**15.15 - 15.25 Questions & Answers**

**15.25 - 16.15 Panel Discussion:**

**Building Trust and Improving Services through Transparent Monitoring and Accountability**

*Helen Hall, CEO Policing Authority.*

*Mark Toland Chief Inspector at Garda Síochána Inspectorate.*

*Professor Ursula Kilkelly, UCC, outgoing Chairperson of Oberstown.*

*Patrick Bergin, Head of Service, Central Mental Hospital National Forensic Mental Health Service.*

**16.15- 16.25 Questions & Answers**

**16.25 - 16.30 Conference Outcomes and Closing**

11.45 – 13.15 THEMATIC SESSIONS – Delegates choose one Session  
Format: 20 minutes per speaker presentation + 30 minutes Discussion

**Thematic Session One: Customised Accountability for Diverse Cohorts in the CJS**

- a. **The Bail Supervision Scheme**  
*Janice Hickey, Manager/MST Supervisor Bail Supervision Scheme, Cork*
- b. **Collaborating with communities to respond to offending by women.**  
*Rachel Lillis, APPO for Social Inclusion & Reintegration, Probation Service, with a Community Partner*
- c. **Access to Rights for People Detained in Secure Forensic Mental Health Facilities in Ireland**  
*Professor Eilíonóir Flynn, School of Law NUI Galway*

**Thematic Session Two: Management and Use of Knowledge, Data and Research**

- a. **Measuring what matters, counting what counts': the introduction of organisation scorecards across the Irish Prison Service**  
*Caroline Finn, Assistant Principal, IGEES Policy Analyst at Irish Prison Service*
- b. **Addressing data deficits on Ethnicity in the CJS and challenging hate crime**  
*Andrew O'Sullivan, Chief Information Officer, An Garda Síochána*
- c. **Using data to support outcomes**  
*Gurchand Singh, Head of Data Analytics, Department of Justice Data Analytics*

**Thematic Session Three: Innovation in Supporting Accountability.**

- a. **Accountability in the moment: Lawyers attending Garda Interviews**  
*Professor Yvonne Daly, School of Law and Government, DCU*
- b. **A Vision for Intermediaries**  
*Dr. Áine Kearns, School of Allied Health at the University of Limerick*
- c. **People Centred Changes**  
*Emer Darcy, Acting Head of Strategy and Reform, Courts Service*