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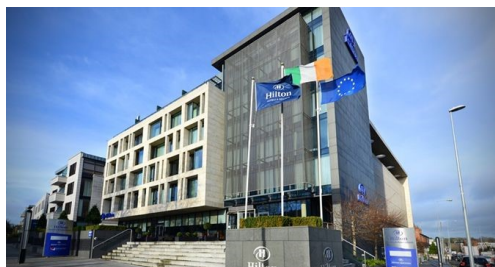
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ACJRD Annual Conference 2018 "Unlocking the Power of Data for Criminal Justice Research, Policy-Making and Practice"



Date: Friday, 5th October, 2018

Time: 9 am - 4.20 pm

Venue: Hilton Dublin Kilmainham

The Association for Criminal Justice Research and Development 21st Annual Conference, entitled "*Unlocking the Power of Data for Criminal Justice Research, Policy-Making and Practice*" will take place on **Friday, 5th October, 2018**.

This year's Conference will be held in the Hilton Dublin Kilmainham, Dublin 8 (*pictured above*).

The conference will feature the following Plenary Speakers:

Aidan O'Driscoll, Secretary General, Department of Justice and Equality

Gurchand Singh, Chief Information Officer, Dept. of Justice and Equality

Claire Loftus, Director of Public Prosecutions

Professor Marcelo Aebi, Vice-Director, School of Criminal Sciences, University of Lausanne

Professor Betsy Stanko OBE, Chair of the Data, Evidence and Science Board for the UK Ministry of Justice

Dr. Seán Redmond, Adjunct Professor in Youth Justice, University of Limerick

Michael O'Neill, Head of Legal, Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission

Workshops will take place in both the morning and afternoon.

This full day conference will appeal to those working in government agencies and in the community to include policy-makers, practitioners, academics and those involved in civil society groups from a wide range of disciplines within or tangential to the Criminal Justice System.

Opportunities will be provided throughout the day for delegates to share information, exchange views and network with colleagues who engage in similar or complementary areas of expertise.

To view the full Conference Programme and to book your place, please [click here](#).

Following the Conference, the Annual General Meeting of ACJRD will take place. All members are welcome to attend.

5th Annual Irish Criminal Justice Agencies Conference



Pictured (L-R) **Maura Butler**, ACJRD Chairperson, **Charles Flanagan**, TD, Minister for Justice and Equality, and **Michael Donnellan**, Director General, Irish Prison Service

The 5th Annual Irish Criminal Justice Agencies Conference took place on **Wednesday, 4th July, 2018**, in the Conference Centre at Dublin Castle. The theme for this year's conference was **“Toward a Trauma-Responsive Criminal Justice System: Why, How and What Next?”**.

This one day conference was a collaboration of the Irish Prison Service, the Irish Youth Justice Service (IYJS), the Department of Justice and Equality, An Garda Síochána, The Probation Service and the Association for Criminal Justice Research and Development (ACJRD). The lead partner for 2018 was the Irish Prison Service.

This Conference was once again a sell out, with over 200 delegates were present to hear the following speakers:

- **Michael Donnellan**, Director General, Irish Prison Service
- **Charles Flanagan TD**, Minister for Justice and Equality
- **Mary Rose Gearty, SC**
- **Ciara McCarthy**, Senior Clinical Psychologist, Primary Care Psychology Service, Health Service Executive
- **Dr Sharon Lambert**, School of Applied Psychology, UCC
- **Dr Conor O’Neill**, Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist, Central Mental Hospital

The Conference also featured ten different workshops, with delegates attending one each in the morning and afternoon.

Two very interesting videos about Adverse Childhood Experiences were also shown on the day. These are available to watch at the following links:

<http://www.aces.me.uk/in-wales/> and <https://vimeo.com/274703693?ref=em-v-share>

A Conference Report is being prepared for publication on our website in due course. To see the reports of the previous ICJA Conferences, please [click here](#).

ACJRD Academic Sponsorship in National University of Ireland, Maynooth



Princess Khumalo and Sadhbh McGarry were the winners of this year's Best Essay in Criminal Law 2017/18 in the National University of Ireland, Maynooth. Both winners have volunteered as rapporteurs at this year's ACJRD Annual Conference on 5th October.

Pictured (L-R): **Sadhbh McGarry, Ben Ryan, ACJRD Council, and Princess Khumalo.**

Daily legal news site to be launched by The Law Society

A new daily legal news website **Gazette.ie** will be launched shortly by the Law Society.

Gazette.ie will be a fresh platform for news and commentary relating to legal matters and will greatly expand the scope for coverage of these important issues. Daily legal news stories will be of interest to anyone in the legal field, while also having a general news value for the wider public.

Film about Restorative Justice: "The Meeting"

The film "*The Meeting*" will be released on 28th September, 2018, at the Lighthouse Cinema in Dublin [followed by Q and A]. (<https://lighthousecinema.ie/>) It will also be shown at the IFI .

"*The Meeting*" is based on a real meeting which took place between Ailbhe Griffith and the man who, nine years earlier, subjected her to a horrific sexual assault and left her seriously injured and fearing for her life. Griffith, in an extraordinary move, has chosen to play herself in this unique drama from one of Ireland's most provocative filmmakers, Alan Gilsean.

What emerges is a truly unique and unorthodox cinematic experience as Ailbhe courageously seeks healing through a progressive form of justice, rapidly gaining momentum throughout the world.



January 2019 Work Placement opportunity in Care After Prison

Are you looking for a work placement from January 2019?

Are you studying social care, social work, criminology or another relevant subject at 3rd level? Then Care After Prison would love to hear from you.

Closing date for applications: **Sunday, 30th September, 2018.**

For further details, please [click here](#).

Recent Publications

Irish Prison Service Annual Report 2017

To view this report, please [click here](#).

Probation Service Annual Report 2017

To view this report, please [click here](#).

Irish Prison Service and Probation Service Strategic Plan 2018-2020

To view this report, please [click here](#).

Mental Health (Criminal Law) Review Board Annual Report 2017

To view this report, please [click here](#).

Criminal Assets Bureau Annual Report 2017

To view this report, please [click here](#).

Department of Justice and Equality Data and Research Strategy 2018-2021

To view this report, please [click here](#).

Department of Justice and Equality Effectiveness and Renewal Group Report

The blueprint for the fundamental restructuring of the Department is contained in the first report of the Effectiveness and Renewal Group for the Department of Justice and Equality. To view this report, please [click here](#).

Critical Review of Initial Evaluations on J-ARC Pilot Projects

To view the final desktop evaluation of J-ARC Pilot Projects 2018 (ACER3, Change Works and Ballymun STRIVE), please [click here](#).

The Future of Policing in Ireland

The Commission on the Future of Policing in Ireland has concluded its work and published its report. To access the report and supplementary document, please [click here](#).

What about me? The Impact on Children when Mothers are involved in the Criminal Justice System

To view this report by the Prison Reform Trust, please [click here](#).

An Evaluation of the Parents under Pressure Programme (PUP) at Coolmine

Coolmine Therapeutic Community has opened its Parents under Pressure (PuP) programme to external scrutiny and evaluation. The PuP programme aims to improve family functioning and child outcomes by supporting parents who are, or have been, drug or alcohol dependent. To view this report, please [click here](#).

Just technology - Emergent Technologies and the Justice System... And what the public thinks about it

To view this report by the Centre for Justice Innovation, please [click here](#).

Equality and Diversity within the Criminal Justice System

To view this report by the Criminal Justice Inspection, Northern Ireland, please [click here](#).

Lifecycle of a Hate Crime - Comparative Report and National Reports

The research was undertaken in five jurisdictions within the EU - the Czech Republic, England and Wales, Ireland, Latvia and Sweden - in which contrasting approaches to addressing hate crime are evident. To view the Comparative Report by Jennifer Schweppe, Amanda Haynes and Mark A. Walters, [click here](#). To view the national reports, please [click here](#).

Justice, Mercy and Caprice: Clemency and the Death Penalty in Ireland

Professor Ian O'Donnell's book presents a unique analysis of the Irish government's decision to grant clemency in death penalty cases between the end of the civil war in 1923 and abolition in 1990. To purchase this book, please [click here](#).

Upcoming Events

5th October, 2018
Dublin

ACJRD 21st Annual Conference

Unlocking the Power of Data for Criminal Justice Research, Policy-Making and Practice. See page 1 for details.
Booking now open.

4th October, 2018
Manchester

Research Impact: Framework for Excellence

For further information, please [click here](#).

22nd & 23rd Oct, 2018
Dublin

SAFE Ireland - Safe World Summit

For further information, please [click here](#).

24th October, 2018
Dublin

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26th October, 2018
Dublin

Launch of Progress in the Penal System 2018 (PIPS 2)

Progress in the Penal System 2018 (PIPS 2) is the second in a series of three annual reports, providing a comprehensive analysis of human rights and best practice in the Irish penal system. This launch will take place in Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission, 16-22 Green Street, Dublin 7.

7th November, 2018
Northumbria University

Law Commission Symposium: New Review of the Law on Confiscation in Part 2 of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002

For further information, please [click here](#).