

Conferencing: a way forward for restorative justice in Europe

EXPERT SEMINAR

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Within the EU funded ‘conferencing project’, the European Forum for Restorative Justice and its partners* are organising an expert meeting on the topic. The project consists of an exploratory study of conferencing practices, for both adult and young offenders and for both more and less serious crimes, as well as their further applicability within Europe. The work focuses on three main research questions:

1. To what extent has conferencing been developed internationally?
2. What are the processes used in and outcomes achieved by conferencing, and how do they compare with victim offender mediation (VOM)?
3. How could conferencing practices be developed further in Europe?

The aim of the seminar is to bring together outstanding international experts in the field of restorative justice (RJ) and in particular of conferencing, from both academia and practice, in order to sketch a state of affairs on conferencing. The researchers will present the preliminary results of the project, the experts will offer in turn an original contribution to the workshop based on their experience with or research on conferencing and all participants will be invited to take part in the ensuing discussions.

If you are interested in taking part in this meeting, please register by 1 August 2010 by sending back the form below and paying the registration fees. The maximum number of participants is 50 and the places will be given on a ‘first-come first-served’ basis. We attach a draft programme of the event. For any further information, please contact Estelle Zinsstag at estelle@euforumrj.org.

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