

***Restorative Justice: An International Journal (RJIJ) and
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present:***

2015 RJIJ ANNUAL LECTURE



Following on from the 2013 RJIJ annual lecture by Shadd Maruna at the European Society of Criminology (ESC) conference in Budapest and the 2014 RJIJ annual lecture by Larry Sherman and Heather Strang at the American Society of Criminology (ASC) conference in San Francisco, this year's annual lecture will take place at the **Asian Criminological Society (ACS) conference in Hong Kong on 25 June 2015 at 18h30** (for further information on practicalities, please see http://www.cityu.edu.hk/ss_acs2015/index.htm).

The 2015 RJIJ lecture will be delivered by:

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Title:

'The use of restorative justice at different stages of criminal justice system in China: challenges and ways ahead'.

Abstract:

Restorative justice (RJ) has developed and grown rapidly in the past two decades. It is considered as a significant element in mainstream criminological practices for understanding and handling crimes with the aim of holding offenders accountable for their wrong doings. Nowadays, restorative justice is not merely utilized in Australasia, North America and Europe, but also incorporated into the criminal justice systems (CJS) of some Asian countries such as China, Singapore, Taiwan and Thailand. This presentation examines how restorative justice is adopted at different stages of the criminal justice system such as investigation, prosecution, court hearing, sentencing, and reintegration in mainland China. It also highlights examples of the actual RJ practices in some provinces and discusses the underlying concerns of restorative justice development and challenges ahead.

The annual lecture is co-organised with the **Asia Pacific Forum for Restorative Justice** and will be followed by an open discussion on the role of restorative justice in the region, chaired by Director **Dr. Brian Steels** (Curtin University).

The event will end with a **reception** sponsored by **Routledge/Taylor and Francis**.

The lecture will be published in 2016 in Volume 4 Issue 1 of RJIJ.