



“Modernising EU justice systems by boosting training of justice professionals”

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The judicial training strategy applied to the prison & probation staff training

- New target group in the EC strategy
- Priority issues
 - EU Law & policies
 - Radicalisation leading to violent extremism
 - Alternative sanctions ; rehabilitation programmes
 - The rights of specific groups
- Diversification & evolution of learning and training methodologies
 - Digitalisation / artificial intelligence
 - Emerging challenges & training needs
 - Cross-border training
 - Language learning



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The role of the EPTA network

- 32 training institutions
- Online platform : www.epta.info
- Transnational cooperation (good practices, innovation, projects)
- Targeting gaps on training contents
- Promoting the EU strategy and key issues



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Penitentiary training & EU Law

- **Council of Europe** (European Prison/Probation Rules; guidelines on recruitment and training; ECHR case law)
 - **EU Law** (framework decisions on mutual recognition, Charter of fundamental rights, ECJ case law)
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- Training on the impact of EU legislation on national legislation
 - Visible impact for prison & probation staff and on inmates & probationers
 - But confusion as to where the changes stem from (CoE, EU, project-related, bilateral cooperations...)





Impact of EU funded projects on penitentiary training

- DG Justice (& DG Education) programmes
- Impact on national practices
 - Good practices
 - Current & ongoing challenges
 - Cross-border training
 - Direct cooperation
- Key vector for change ("soft pressure")