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CEP to contribute to EU action plan for Justice

At the 27th of January 2009, a delegation of CEP met with Mr. Jacques Barrot, vice-president of the EU and EU Commissioner for Justice, Freedom and Security. At the Commission's headquarter in Brussels, CEP brought the spearheads of European probation to the attention of the Commissioner. "I truly support probation. I can't wait for the probation sector to emerge as a widely accepted alternative for traditional offender punishment", Mr. Barrot said at the end of the meeting.

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Latest news on EU funding at CEP website

The EU, national governments and private grant making organisations (e.g. SOFOS), and others provide various funding opportunities for the development and innovation of probation practice. However, only few CEP member organisation actively make use of these. Therefore CEP wants to stimulate its members to engage in funding. To that purpose, you can find the latest news on calls of EU funding programmes on the CEP website.

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Conference on Funding: Register before 13th of March

The European Union and other institutions offer various possibilities to probation services to finance projects concerning capacity building, practice development, and more. At the CEP conference 'Funding Innovation & Collaboration in Probation' (25th-27th of March 2009 in Cambridge, UK) experts will present best practices and funding opportunities in order to enable the sector of probation to take full advantage of the existing funding possibilities.

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Conference on Electronic Monitoring: Register before 1st of April

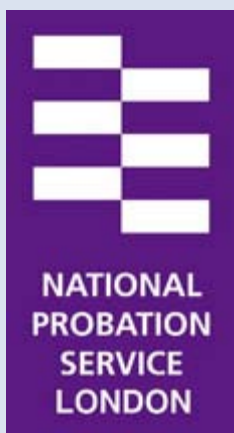
Despite the fact that many countries have over a decade's worth of experience with it, Electronic Monitoring (EM) remains one of the more exciting and challenging areas of criminal justice policy making. From the 7th-9th of May, the CEP bi-annual EM conference in Egmond aan Zee, the Netherlands, will be a platform for information exchange for European probation services – and beyond.

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More European projects, please

How should probation services deal with persons who are convicted under anti-terrorism provisions? How do we ensure that Muslims radicalised in prison and in society find non violent ways of resettling on release in the community? How can we reduce racist hate crimes? London Probation tries to find answers to these questions. Not only with partners in the community, but also with partners in Europe. And with European funding. "I sincerely hope that more cooperation with other probation services will be the result of this article."

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Miscellaneous News

At the offices, CEP regularly receives (e)mail on events, publications and developments in the field of probation in Europe and even beyond. As some of these items may be of interest of our member organizations, CEP brings you a selection of this news. In this article you can read about a conference on the reduction of re-offending and responding to the needs of local communities on the Island of Man, the European Offender Employment Forum, and more.

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