INDEPENDENT ACADEMIC RESEARCH STUDIES

3rd IARS International Annual Conference 19-20th November 2014 9am-5pm

Location: The Honourable Society of the Middle Temple - Middle Temple Lane, London, EC4Y 9AT With an evening reception and book launch to follow. To order the book contact us at contact@iars.org.uk The event will be co-chaired by Dr Theo Gavrielides - IARS Founder and Director & Simon Israel - Channel 4 Home Affairs Correspondent and IARS Patron

"A victim-led criminal justice system?"

Keynote speakers include

- Olivier Tell, European Commission Directorate General Justice, Procedural Criminal Law
- Mike Penning, UK Justice Minister (Policing, Criminal Justice and Victims)
- Alison Saunders, Director of Public Prosecutions, UK
- Felicity Gerry QC, Barrister and academic at Charles Darwin University, Australia
- Sir George Newman, The Surveillance Commissioner and IARS' Patron

Registration

Full Registration includes: Complimentary copy of the book, Gavrielides, T. (2014), A victim-led criminal justice system: Addressing the paradox (£9.99 RRP); CPD certificate and participation at workshop sessions of choice.

- 19th November £150
- 20th November plus reception £180
- 19th and 20th November £300

We offer 10% discount to IARS members and students. If you are not a member please contact us at: contact@iars.org.uk.

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Victims and anyone who has any special circumstances and would like to apply for a free place, we consider applications on individual cases

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Overview

The theme of the IARS 3rd Annual International conference is "A victim-led criminal justice system?"

It reflects on the current developments and criminal justice reforms that occur nationally and internationally in order to incorporate victims' rights in criminal proceedings.

Findings will be presented and debated from IARS 2-year project, Restorative Justice in Europe: Safeguarding Victims & Empowering Professionals (RJE).

Cutting edge research on criminal justice, restorative justice and victims' rights from around the world will also be presented in 18 workshops delivered by international experts.

A VICTIM-LED CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM: ADDRESSING THE PARADOX

Who should attend

This is an international event addressed to policy makers, academics, researchers, criminal justice professionals including prosecutors, judges, lawyers, police officers, prison and probation staff, restorative justice practitioners, third party key workers and anyone who is working directly with victims of crime and their families.

Continuous Professional Development (CPD)

The content of this conference has been independently certified as conforming to universally accepted Continuous Professional Development (CPD) guidelines (20 CPD learning points – Intermediate level).

A CPD Certificate will be provided to registered Delegates.







3rd IARS International Annual Conference PROGRAMME

19th November

09:00–10:00 Registration & coffee – *An opportunity to network*

10:00–10:40 Welcome by the Event Chair – Dr. Theo Gavrielides, IARS Founder and Director, Visiting Professor at Buckinghamshire New University and Adjunct Professor at Simon Fraser University – RJE project coordinator

Opening Speech – Sir George Newman, IARS Patron, High Court Senior Judge and The Surveillance Commissioner

10:40–11:00 "A victim-led criminal justice system for Europe?: The EC Victims' Directive" – Olivier Tell, European Commission Directorate General Justice, Procedural Criminal Law

11:15-11:45 Q&A

11:45-12:00 Coffee Break

12:00–12:30 "Safeguarding Victims & Empowering Professionals: Restorative Justice in Greece" – Professor Vasso Artinopoulou, European Public Law Organisation (EPLO), Professor of Criminology Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences Athens, Greece. Q&A

12:30 - 13:00 "Safeguarding Victims & Empowering Professionals: Findings from Germany" – Professor Arthur Hartmann, University for Applied Studies for Public Administration, Germany. Q&A

13:00–13:30 "Victims' Rights, Restorative Justice and Prosecution Services" – Alison Saunders, Director of Public Prosecutors Q&A

13:30-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-15:30 Parallel Workshop Sessions

WK Group 1: Victim Engagement in Criminal Justice Services

WK1: "Victim-led in Practice; practitioner and support perspective" (Brian Dowling, Victim Support, UK)

WK2: "Victim Engagement: A UK police perspective" (Joanne Edwards and Hazra Patel, University of Central Lancashire, UK) WK3: "Inter-Agency Collaboration: The Key

to Victim Centeredness" (Charles Maclean, Indiana Tech Law School, United States)

WK Group 2: Gender & Sexual Violence WK4: "Overcoming the concerns of victim-survivors: Restorative justice and sexual violence" (Fiona Landon Founding member and Programme Director of Project Restore, New Zealand)

WK5: "Gender Violence: Protocols for the protection of victims and effectiveness" (Nuria Torres and Raquel Valio, Daphne European Programme EPOGENDER, Spain) WK6: "Kaleidoscopic Justice: what justice means to victim-survivors of sexual violence" (Professor Clare McGlynn, Durham University, UK)

15:30–16:00 "Safeguarding Victims & Empowering Professionals in Restorative Justice: The Dutch Experience" – Dr. Anneke van Hoek and Gert Jan Slump, Restorative Justice Nederland, The Netherlands Q&A

16:00–16:30 "More Justice for Crime Victims in Bulgaria" – Professor Dobrinka Chankova, *Chair of the Institute of Conflict* Resolution, Bulgaria Q&A

16:30–17:00 Round Up & Next Steps by the Event Chair Dr. Theo Gavrielides

20th November

09:00–09:45 Registration & coffee – *An opportunity to network*

09:45–10:00 Welcome by the Event Chairs – Dr. Theo Gavrielides, IARS Founder and Director, Visiting Professor at Buckinghamshire New University and Adjunct Professor at Simon Fraser University – RJE project coordinator

& Simon Israel, Channel 4 HomeAffairs Correspondend and IARS Patron

10:00–10:30 "Safeguarding Victims & Empowering Professionals in Restorative Justice: Findings from the UK" – Ben Lyon, Restorative Justice Practitioner and RJE Trainer and Grace Loseby, Projects' Coordinator (Justice), IARS, UK Q&A

10:30–11:00 "A victim-led criminal justice system for Britain?" – Mike Penning, *The UK Justice Minister (Policing Criminal Justice and Victims), UK* Q&A

11:00–11:30 "What victims want from criminal justice and restorative justice" Gabrielle Browne, Victim and Independent Advisor for the RJE project, UK

11:30-12:00 Coffee Break

12:00–13:30 Parallel Workshop Sessions

WK Group 3: The Fluidity of Victimhood

WK7: "Visions of victim - Visions of offender: Combinations, overlappings and tensions between Restorative Justice and Criminal Justice" (Giuseppe Maglione, University of Florence, Italy)

WK8: "Transforming the Victim Narrative-Empowering the Undeserving" (Debroah Coles, Direct of INQUEST, UK)

WK9: "Previous Trauma histories of adult victims of violent crimes" (Dr. Nicola Graham-Kevan, University of Central Lancashire, UK)

WK Group 4: Relinquishing Power WK10: "Developing 21st century restorative culture: Ubuntu in complex social justice systems" (Simon Fulford, CEO of Khulisa and Lisa Rowles Khulisa, UK).

WK11: "Racism, Power and Restorative Justice" (John M McDonald, Chief Executive Officer ProActive ReSolutions, Australia) WK12: "Creating Space for Listening and Dialogue" (Dr. Zellerer, Director of Peace of the Circle, Canada)

13:30-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-15:30 Parallel Workshop Sessions

WK Group 5: Victims & Criminal Justice Services: Best practice

WK13: "Human rights, access to justice and restorative justice" (Dr. Hema Hargovan University of South Africa, South Africa)

WK14: Alternative user engagement in Criminal Justice Services – Domestic and Sexual Violence (Michael Kearns Restorative Justice Practitioner – Catalyst in Communities)

WK15: "Victims and probation services: Best practice from London Probation (Janett Brown, London CRC Probation, UK)

WK Group 6: Victims' Rights and Restorative Justice

WK16: "Towards a Rights- Centred Criminal Justice System" (Anne Hayden, PhD, New Zealand)

WK17: "Time to exercise the Rights of the Victim?" (Ben Lyon, Restorative Justice Practitioner and RJE Trainer and Grace Loseby, Projects' Coordinator Justice IARS, UK)

WK18: "Victim rights in Psychiatry: What a victim-led process looks like" (Anne-Laure Donskoy, victim-survivor and researcher, UK)

15:30–16:00 "Best Practice for Vulnerable Victim-Witnesses" – Fleicity Gerry, QC, Barriester at 36 Bedford Row, London and Academic at Charles Darwin University, Australia.Q&A

16:00–17:00 Close and conference findings Olivier Tell, Head of Unit Directorate General Justice, European Commission & Dr. Theo Gavrielides, IARS Founder and Director

Reception

The event will be concluded with an evening wine reception (17:30–19:30) at the Law Society – 113 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1PL.

At the reception we will launch IARS' new publication Gavrielides, T. (2014), A victim-led criminal justice system: Addressing the paradox (£9.99 RRP) ISBN 978-1-907641-27-5.

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