



Framework Decisions 829 and 947 and their Impact on Alternatives in the EU

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Key topics

- Best practice in relation to alternatives to detention
- Viable alternatives, including probationary measures, electronic monitoring and restorative justice
- The application and correct use of Framework Decision 2009/829/JHA on supervision measures as an alternative to provisional detention and Framework Decision 2008/947/JHA on probation and alternative sanctions, also as an alternative to the European Arrest Warrant

Languages

English, Romanian (simultaneous interpretation)

Event number

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Organiser

ERA (Ramin Farinpour) in cooperation the Romanian National Institute of Magistracy (NIM), the Romanian National Administration of Penitentiaries, the Confederation of European Probation (CEP), the European Forum for Restorative Justice (EFRJ) and the Council of Europe



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Monday, 28 September 2026

08:30 Arrival and registration of participants

09:00 **Opening of the seminar**
Ramin Farinpour

I. **FRAMEWORK DECISIONS (FDs) 829 and 947 AND THEIR IMPACT ON ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION IN THE EU**

Chair: Ramin Farinpour

09:10 **Taking stock of the implementation and use of FDs 829 and 947 and the road ahead**

- 9th round of mutual evaluations on EU Member States' legislation and practice
- Conclusions from the High-Level Forum on the Future of EU Criminal Justice
Gerry McNally, Jesca Beneder

10:00 Discussion

10:15 **How the main elements of FDs 829 and 947 work in practice from the perspective of a judicial authority and probation service**

- FD 829: recognition and monitoring of supervision measures, required form, transfer procedure, role of judicial authorities and probation services
- FD 947: transfer procedure, required form, issuing and executing measures, supervision of probation, role of judicial authorities and probation services
Marina Beun, Gisella Conrad

11:00 Discussion

11:15 Coffee break

11:45 **The J-CAP and J-CAP NEXT projects: supporting judges, prosecutors and lawyers in executing FD 947 and creating a digital tool designed to meet the needs of judicial practitioners (European Probation Software)**
João Gomes

12:15 Discussion

12:30 **Legislative reform and cross-border cooperation to enhance the role of alternatives to detention and the effects of FDs 829 and 947: the example of Romania**

Iuliana Elena Cărbunaru, Alexandra Lančranjan

13:00 **The role of probation services and officers in preventing (re)incarceration: help on release, conflict resolution and working together with the authorities**

Danijela Mrhar Prelić

13:30 Discussion

13:45 Lunch

II. **PRISON VISIT**

14:45 Pick-up by coach in front of NIM

15:30 Arrival at Jilava Prison

An introduction to the Romanian penitentiary system and Jilava Prison
Cristina Teoroc

Objective

This seminar, which forms part of a series of five co-funded by the European Union on enhancing cross-border mutual legal assistance and recognition of decisions within the context of detention, will focus on alternatives to detention, also within the context of the European Arrest Warrant, as well as issues surrounding the proper use of Framework Decision 2008/947/JHA on probation and alternative sanctions and Framework Decision 2009/829/JHA on supervision measures as an alternative to provisional detention.

Who should attend?

Judges, prosecutors, lawyers in private practice and probation staff who are citizens of eligible EU Member States participating in the EU Justice Programme (Denmark does not participate), Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo*, Moldova and Ukraine.

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Venue

National Institute of Magistracy (NIM)
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16:00 **Prison visit**

Split into three groups and rotate (30 minutes for each location including transfer):

- Group 1 – therapeutic community/reinsertion centre
- Group 2 – section no.1
- Group 3 – Fort 13

17:30 Concluding remarks

17:45 Departure back to NIM

18:45 Arrival back at NIM and end of first day

20:00 Dinner

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III. ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION IN THE EU WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF FDs 829 AND 947

Chair: Gerry McNally

09:00 **Alternative sanctions: the example of drug offenders and those with mental health issues**

Anastasia Vararu Iancu

09:45 Discussion

10:00 **Restorative justice as a viable alternative: victim-offender-community mediation within and outside prisons**

Bart Claes

10:30 **Technology as part of a viable alternative to detention: the use of electronic monitoring and other technologies in practice and future outlook**

Pia Andersson

11:00 Discussion

11:15 Coffee break

IV. SIMULTANEOUS WORKSHOPS

11:45

- **Applying the FD on Probation and Alternative Sanctions and the FD on Supervision Measures as an Alternative to Provisional Detention in practice** (*Marina Beun, Gisella Conrad*)
- **Probation services and their work with judicial and other authorities: effective means and methods** (*Danijela Mrhar Prelić*)
- **Effective implementation and application of restorative justice** (*Bart Claes*)

13:15 Workshop reports and participant discussion

13:30 End of the seminar and light lunch

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Selection

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