

8th International Conference of the European Forum for Restorative Justice

# BEYOND CRIME

Pathways to desistance,  
social justice and  
peacebuilding

Belfast 11-14 June 2014

# BEYOND CRIME: PATHWAYS TO DESISTANCE, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND PEACEBUILDING

Queen's University Belfast

**Venues:**  
**Elmwood Hall (Keynote Lectures)**  
**Faculty of Social Sciences (Workshop Sessions)**

With this year's theme of the conference "Beyond crime: pathways to desistance, social justice, and peacebuilding" we aim to broaden our scope of restorative justice, and therefore try to look "beyond" its application to the criminal justice system. Thus we hope to bring together a diverse range of perspectives focusing at different levels (the personal, the societal, the political), and inspired by a multitude of backgrounds and disciplines (such as criminology, social and political sciences, peace research, etc.). The three selected themes of the conference are highly interrelated, and offer opportunities to deepen our understanding, and to critically reflect on the limits and the potentials of restorative justice in an increasingly complex, intercultural, and divided world.

**The European Forum for Restorative Justice welcomes presentations that address these main themes, but contributions on new developments and innovative approaches in RJ will be considered as well.**

**Desistance** – Do RJ experiences help offenders to desist from crime? And if so, how does RJ as an "alternative" approach to crime control and punishment relate to current criminal justice policies and punishment models where risk assessment and evidence-based approaches prevail? RJ – as a positive and forward-looking approach – is often linked to the development of the Good Lives Model of Offender Rehabilitation. To what extent do RJ and desistance principles permeate in the work of prison officers and in probation work? Papers and workshops that look at these developments are welcomed.

**Social Justice** - How can RJ contribute to social justice, especially in an increasingly intercultural society? RJ is often said to be limited in addressing underlying causes of crime. By simply holding offenders accountable for the wrongdoings RJ overlooks the structural inequalities and fails to address a broader network of responsibilities. For RJ interventions to be meaningful and sustainable new alliances with a wider range of organisations and social institutions are needed. The workshops under this theme are invited to re-think, and probably to establish, the relation between restorative justice and social justice.

**Peacebuilding** – The central aim of this theme is to look at the value of RJ principles in the agenda of peacebuilding in divided, transitional, and post-conflict societies. Since several decades many countries emerging from conflict have opted for so-called transitional justice mechanisms to help and deal with their past. Gradually also RJ principles became introduced into several of these mechanisms. Papers and workshops on innovative developments or creative applications of RJ in peacebuilding settings are welcomed.

## Confirmed speakers



**Professor John Braithwaite**

*Australian National University*



**Professor Shadd Maruna**

*Queen's University of Belfast*



**Professor Joanna Shapland**

*The University of Sheffield*



**Professor Kieran McEvoy**

*Queen's University of Belfast*



**Dr. Tove Hansen Malloy**

*European Centre for Minority Issues*



**Brunilda Pali**

*Catholic University Leuven*

## Call for Papers (deadline 14 March 2014)

Practitioners, researchers, RJ trainers, legal professionals, and policy makers are invited to submit a proposal for one of the following types of presentations:

- Paper presentation** – 20 min + 10 min Q&A
- Training session** - 90 min
- Panel discussion** - 90 min
- Dialogue session** - 90 min
- Movie/documentary and discussion** - 120 min

The proposal must be accompanied by:

1. **Title** of the presentation / workshop
2. **Type** of presentation: paper, training, panel, dialogue, or movie/documentary
3. **Abstract** of the paper presentation / detailed description of the workshop (250 words)
4. **Biography** of the presenter(s) (50 words)
5. **Keywords** that describe your presentation / workshop (if applicable, also indicate the theme: desistance, social justice, or peacebuilding)

**Abstracts must be submitted by e-mail in a Word document by 14 March 2014 to: [belfast2014@euforumrj.org](mailto:belfast2014@euforumrj.org)**

Please mention “Call for papers + Full Name” in the subject line of your e-mail. Applicants will be informed about the acceptance of their proposal by 24 March 2014. Please note that all presenters must be registered at the conference (see “Registration form” at the end of this brochure) and all abstracts must be submitted in English, the official language of the conference.

## Conference registration

### Early bird registration until 15 April 2014

180 EUR for members  
250 EUR for non-members

### Late registration until 20 May 2014

200 EUR for members  
270 EUR for non-members

If you wish to register at the reduced rate (membership rate) and you are not a member yet, you can become a member now. In order to benefit from the reduced registration fee, the conference registration form must be accompanied by the completed membership application form, and be sent together to the Secretariat of the EFRJ. A membership application form is available at the end of this brochure.

**The conference registration form is available at the end of this brochure or online on the conference website: <http://www.euforumrj.org/belfast>**

There are a limited number of waivers for the conference fee. A waiver form can be downloaded from the conference website: [www.euforumrj.org/belfast](http://www.euforumrj.org/belfast)

## Field trips (new for 2014!)

For this 8th edition - and as an integral part of the conference programme - there will be three parallel field trips organised on the second day of the conference. The aim is to introduce the participants to Belfast and to Northern Ireland, and in particular to its rich history on restorative justice and peacebuilding. Conference participants will have a choice out of three organised trips that are linked to the main themes of the conference: desistance, social justice, and peacebuilding.



**HM Prison Crumlin Road (Desistance)** – A creative and interactive workshop will be held on restorative justice developments in the criminal justice system, and the probation sector. The venue for this field trip is unique: HM Prison Crumlin Road, which is a 19th century prison in Belfast no longer used, and rebuilt into a museum.

**Community-based justice centre (Social Justice)** – An interactive study visit to a community-based justice centre in a working-class district of Belfast to discuss how restorative justice addresses justice issues in civil society (community, schools, families and organisations). The exact location of this visit is still to be confirmed.



### **Northern Irish Parliament in Stormont (Peacebuilding)**

Northern Ireland bears a long history of political conflict, it certainly also serves as a unique example of transitional justice and peacebuilding in the world. A workshop on restorative justice elements in the transitional justice process in Northern Ireland will be held on a symbolic location, the Northern Irish Parliament in Stormont.

While registering for the conference, participants will be asked to subscribe for one of these three field trips including a workshop. Conference participants will board coaches at 1:30 pm for a brief tour of interesting historical landmarks with a tour guide commentary. Arrived at the respective venues, participants will be taking part in the interactive workshop of their choice. Return to the conference venue is planned at 5:00 pm.

## Travel & Accommodation

Please visit the conference website for travel information to and from Belfast. As to accommodation, special rates at a range of hotels located close to Queen's University Belfast for conference participants will be available soon on the conference website: [www.euforumrj.org/belfast](http://www.euforumrj.org/belfast)!

## Tourist information

In cooperation with Visit Belfast we will provide you travel and tourist information for Belfast. Visit Belfast has already produced a visitor's brochure to welcome the EFRJ. The brochure can be found on the conference website: <http://www.euforumrj.org/belfast>.

## REGISTRATION FORM

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 11-14 June 2014, Belfast

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| First name:        | Last name:            |
| Organisation:      | Position:             |
| Street and number: | Postal code and city: |
| Country:           | Telephone:            |
| E-mail:            | Website:              |

I would like to:

- Present a paper / organise a training session, panel discussion, dialogue, or movie/documentary  
 (in attachment I submit my proposal as described in the "Call for abstracts")  
 Volunteer as a chairperson during a workshop (a two-hours session of 3 paper presentations)

I choose to attend one of the three field trips on Friday 13 June (2-5 pm):

- Desistance - promising developments and challenges of RJ in criminal justice (location: [HM Prison Crumlin Road](#))  
 Social Justice - visit to a community-based centre in a working-class neighbourhood to discuss how restorative justice addresses justice issues in civil society (community, schools, families and organisations) (location: to be confirmed)  
 Peacebuilding - contribution of RJ in peacebuilding in (location: [Parliament Buildings, Stormont](#))

I want to register for the following events (free of charge):

- Welcome reception on Wednesday evening 11 June  
 Conference dinner on Friday evening 13 June  
 Social event on Saturday afternoon 14 June (event to be confirmed)

Special dietary request:

**EARLY Registration BEFORE 15 April 2014**

- I am a member of the Forum and I pay 180€  
 I am not a member of the Forum yet, but I will apply  
 for membership now\* and I pay 180€  
 I am not a member of the Forum and I pay 250€  
 I apply for a waiver (in attachment, I submit my waiver-application form)

**LATE Registration UNTIL 20 May 2014**

- I am a member of the Forum and I pay 200€  
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\*The membership application form can be downloaded from <http://www.euforumrj.org>. In order to benefit from the reduced registration fee, the conference registration form MUST be accompanied with the completed membership application form, and be sent together to the Secretariat.

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