



East Africa Alternatives to Imprisonment Conference

7-8 November 2013, Tanzania

Purpose

To review work to date on alternatives to imprisonment in East Africa, share good practice and experience, and identify ways forward to further promote and implement alternative measures in the region.

Outcomes

- Alternatives work to date in East Africa by Penal Reform International (PRI), Probation departments and civil society reviewed
- Legal framework for alternatives in East Africa reviewed
- Good practices and lessons learnt on implementation of non-custodial measures shared
- Update on wider stakeholder and donor agendas / work on alternatives shared
- Identification of how all stakeholders can work effectively together to promote and implement alternatives (government, civil society, other agencies and donors)
- Next steps and way forward identified for countries in region

Participants

- Probation and Community Service Departments - Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda
- Civil society organisations that work on criminal justice/alternatives in East Africa
- UN and other agencies and donors with an interest in alternatives in the region
- Senior representatives from Probation and Correctional Services from a number of other countries in Africa who will have attended the Africa Alternatives to Imprisonment Network meeting 6-7 November.

Hosts, organisers

PRI are co-hosting the Conference in partnership with the Tanzanian Ministry of Home Affairs Probation and Community Service Division, and in collaboration with the Government Probation departments in Kenya and Uganda and our local NGO partners in the region. The Conference is supported by PRI's grant from the UK Aid.

Venue

Holiday Inn Dar Es Salaam City Centre
Azikiwe Road / Upanga Street
Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania
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Agenda

<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Chair/Facilitator</i>
Thursday 7 Nov		
14:00-14:15	Welcome, introductions. Purpose of meeting	Fidelis Mboya, Director Tanzania Probation; Alison Hannah, Executive Director, PRI
14:15 -14:30	Recap of Africa Alternatives Network meeting	Paul Kintu, Commissioner Community Service, Uganda
14:30 – 15:00	Overview of PRI's work to strengthen alternatives to prison in East Africa 2011-13 Update on Alternatives: Trends and Challenges East Africa - paper	Alison Hannah, Rob Allen, PRI
15:00-16:00	Use of alternatives in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania – presentations	Jerim Oloo, Director Probation Kenya; Fidelis Mboya, Tanzania; Paul Kintu, Uganda
16:00-16:15	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>	
16:15 –17:30	Discussion and input from other countries	PRI Chair. All input
17:30-17:45	Summary of day	Jerim Oloo, Kenya
Friday 8 Nov		
08:00-9:45	Visit to Community Service project	All / Tanzania
10:00-11:30	Legal framework for alternative sentences: - Adequacy of legal provisions - Awareness and training of judicial officers - Sentencing guidelines	Lead presentation from Uganda on challenges and initiatives Input from all other participants
11:30-11:45	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>	

11:45-13:30	Implementation of alternatives to prison: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Availability and quality of placements - Training and role of supervisors - Compliance and enforcement - Other organisations / civil society involved 	Lead presentation from Kenya on challenges and initiatives Input from all other participants
13:30-14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30-16:00	Role of civil society in promoting and implementing alternatives Public attitudes to community sentences Advocacy with, and support from central Government for alternatives Media and public opinion	Lead presentation from Tanzania on challenges and initiatives Input from all other participants
16:00-16:15	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>	
16:15-16:30	Trends and agendas of other stakeholders and donors in region	Diva Mukisa, FHRI; PRI
16:30-17:15	National working groups on priorities and action plans for future development	Group work (PRI to facilitate)
17:15-17:45	Presentations of action plans	All
17:45-18:00	Summary and close	PRI; Tanzania
18:00–18:30	Launch of the new <i>UN Legal Aid and Principles Handbook</i>	Matteo Pasquali, Head of the Criminal Justice Programme, UNODC

Tea/coffee and lunch will be served at the conference venue.

All participants are invited to a **welcome buffet dinner** on the evening of Thursday 7 November; 19:00, Holiday Inn Dar es Salaam.

Please also join us for a closing **drinks reception** on Friday 8 November: 18:30 at the conference venue.

For any queries, please contact:

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