Working in a prison requires specific skills, but prison personnel are often poorly paid, under-trained & experience high levels of work-related stress & violence.

Date: Tuesday 24 May 2016
Time: 9 – 9.50am
Venue: Conference room MOE100

In all countries, working in prisons is a demanding job. Correctional officers tend to have high rates of injuries and illnesses compared to other occupations due to exposure to violence and contagious diseases at work.

Despite this, work in prisons often goes unrecognised, despite the vital role of prison staff in the achievement of the aims of criminal justice, namely the rehabilitation of offenders, as well as in the meeting of prison standards.

This side-event therefore seeks to draw more attention to the challenges faced by prison staff. PRI’s, Global Prison Trends 2016 report will be launched, which dedicates its Special Focus section to prison staff.

Programme

Overview of challenges for prison staff
Rob Allen, PRI Associate

Recruitment and training of prison staff
Christer Isaksson, Swedish Prison and Probation Service

Working conditions of staff: safety, security and health in different countries
Anthony Amaechi, Corrections Expert

A code of ethics for prison staff
Jamie Bennett, Prison Governor UK

Q&A

Moderated by Andrea Huber, PRI