



## Addressing children's vulnerabilities in detention

26-27 June 2014  
Conference Room *La Pastorale*, Geneva

### Agenda

**Thursday, 26 June 2014**

Objectives:

- Examine the risk factors and situations which contribute to the abuse and ill-treatment of children in conflict with the law in detention.
- Identify strategies for NPMs to address these issues when carrying out their preventive mandate.
- Enable interaction between NPMs and other key actors to reinforce cooperation and share good practices.

Time	Session
8:30 – 9:00	Registration and welcome coffee
9:00 – 9:30	<b>Introductory session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Opening remarks - <i>Mark Thomson, APT Secretary-General</i></li><li>• "Tour de table"</li><li>• Objectives and methodology - <i>Veronica Filippeschi, APT Advisor on OPCAT</i></li></ul>
9:30 – 11:00	<b>Session 1 – Setting the scene</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Children in conflict with the law deprived of liberty: current situation, key issues, principles and standards (10 min.) <i>Ms. Renate Winter, Committee on the Rights of the Child</i></li><li>• The broader framework for the protection of the rights of children deprived of liberty and the work of NPMs (10 min.) <i>Ms. Odalis Najera, National Committee for the Prevention of Torture, Honduras</i></li></ul> <p>Moderated discussion: all participants (1h 10 min.) Moderator: <i>Mark Thomson, APT</i></p>



11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:45	<p><b>Session 2 – Risk factors deriving from overemphasis on discipline and security in detention</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key issues and standards (10 min.) <i>Ms. Ilvija Puce, European Committee for the Prevention of Torture</i></li> <li>• Perspective from an NPM (10 min.) <i>Ms. Sue Berelowitz, Office of the Children’s Commissioner for England</i></li> </ul> <p>Moderated discussion: all participants (1h 10 min.) Moderator: <i>Jean-Baptiste Niyizurugero, APT Africa Programme Officer</i></p>
12:45 – 14:15	Lunch
14:15 – 15:45	<p><b>Session 3 – Risk factors deriving from lack of “normal life” in detention</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Perspective from the authorities (10 min.) <i>Ms. Adidi Arnould, Juvenile Detention Centre of Marseille, France</i></li> <li>• Perspective from an NPM (10 min.) <i>Mr. Boubou Diouf Tall, National Observer of Places of Deprivation of Liberty, Senegal</i></li> </ul> <p>Moderated discussion: all participants (1h 10 min.) Moderator: <i>Veronica Filippeschi, APT</i></p>
15:45 – 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 17:30	<p><b>Session 4 – Most vulnerable children in detention</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Girls in detention (10 min.) <i>Mr. Nikhil Roy, Penal Reform International</i></li> <li>• Children with mental health problems in detention (10 min.) <i>Mr. Peter Green, Doctor for Child Safeguarding – St. George Hospital, London</i></li> </ul> <p>Moderated discussion: all participants (1h 10 min.) Moderator: <i>Tanya Norton, APT Detention Monitoring Advisor</i></p>
17:30 – 17:45	Wrap up and close of meeting – <i>Veronica Filippeschi, APT</i>
19:30	Dinner

## Friday, 27 June 2014

### Objectives:

- Discuss the challenges faced by NPMs in carrying out their preventive mandate regarding children in conflict with the law in detention
- Exchange good practices and working methods between NPMs
- Strengthen cooperation between NPMs

Time	Session
8:30 – 9:00	Welcome coffee
9:00 – 9:30	<b>Introductory session:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Objectives and methodology</li><li>- Summary of discussion on Day 1</li></ul> <i>Veronica Filippeschi, APT Advisor on OPCAT</i>
9:30 – 11:00	<b>Session 1 – How NPMs can address the issues discussed on Day 1</b> Moderated discussion: all participants Moderator: <i>Veronica Filippeschi, APT</i>
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:45	<b>Session 2 – Recommendations to and dialogue with detaining authorities in places where children are deprived of liberty</b> Moderated discussion: all participants Moderator: <i>Barbara Bernath, APT Chief of Operations</i>
12:45 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 – 16:00	<b>Session 3 - Recommendations to and dialogue with other State institutions related to children in detention</b> Moderated discussion: all participants Moderator: <i>Barbara Bernath, APT Chief of Operations</i>
16:00 – 17:30	<b>Session 4 – Engagement with other actors</b> Moderated discussion: all participants Moderator: <i>Isabelle Heyer, APT Americas Programme Officer</i>
17:30 – 17:45	Wrap up and close of Symposium – <i>Veronica Filippeschi, APT</i>