

## Bilateral cooperation

The bilateral cooperation brings the opportunity of cooperation, connecting and sharing experiences and know-how with experts and entities from Norway and Czechia in the area of penitentiary and post-penitentiary care.

A study visit to Norway - sharing of experience and good practice in functioning and running the Probation House



Roundtable with Czech and Norwegian partners

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# EEA and Norway Grants 2014–2021

## Programme Justice In a Nutshell



Supporting Hands of Mentor

The Programme is operated by:

Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic, Ministry of Justice of the Czech Republic, Norwegian Correctional Service, Council of Europe

Iceland  
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Norway grants

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## **Opportunities in correctional services and detention, and in effectiveness and efficiency of the judicial system, including strengthening rule of law**

The Justice Programme supports systemic measures in areas of the penitentiary and post-penitentiary care with more than 6 million EUR during the Norway Grants implementation period 2014–2021. In total, 8 projects received a grant and will be implemented until April 2024.

The Programme targets projects in which new treatment programmes shall, in a long-term perspective, reduce substance abuse, boost motivation for change, support reintegration and increase the competence of persons sentenced to imprisonment.

### **Supported areas**

#### **Common education system**

Project promoter: Ministry of Justice of the Czech Republic

This pre-defined project (PDP1) aims to create the Common education system, to create a common platform for sharing and transferring know-how, establishing and strengthening contacts among the employees of the Prison Service of the Czech Republic, the Probation and Mediation service, social curators, employees of non-governmental non-profit organisations and other employees and experts in relevant areas.



PDP3

#### **Strengthening the rehabilitation of prisoners through treatment**

Project promoter: The Prison Service of the Czech Republic

This pre-defined project (PDP 2) aims at improved services through the introduction of intervention programmes (Motivation programme for sentenced persons, Professional care for drug users, Fathers' programme), which may ultimately lead to a released prisoner being successfully reintegrated into society, which may at the same time result in reducing the rate of recidivism in the Czech Republic.

#### **Back to life**

Project promoter: The Probation and Mediation Service of the Czech Republic

The aim of this pre-defined project (PDP 3) is to enhance and improve the availability of reintegration programmes in the Czech Republic by establishing programme centres and a probation house. The programmes will focus on problem areas in the lives of the offenders sentenced to alternative imprisonment and persons conditionally released from imprisonment, in order to support their efforts in changing their lives.

VOL Mentoring



#### **Support of reintegration of persons conditionally released and released from prison** (Small Grants Scheme)

Within the projects, the programme Mentoring is implemented. The programme supports, thanks to its intensity and qualified approach of the experts and mentors, the clients in their change, mobilises them in dealing with their problems and new situations in their lives. In turn, the risk of recidivism decreases and offenders are reintegrated into society.

Projects:

VOL Mentoring (Volonté CZECH)

Supporting Hands of Mentor (Prison Spiritual Care)

To Freedom with a Mentor (Civic Association Centre of Promoting Entrepreneurship Prague)

With a Mentor through Rubicon: Implementation of the Mentoring Program (Rubikon Centre)

#### **Providing drug-addict prisoners with systematic and continual care while serving and beyond discharge** (Open Call)

The project aims at reducing the likelihood of drug abuse relapse and recidivism of prisoners and those released from prison thanks to ensuring continual professional care through establishing and implementing the Case Management Programme. The Programme targets stabilisation of clients, and is implemented by a common network of professional addictology care providers.

Project:

Systematic and continual care of drug-addict prisoners while serving and beyond discharge (A.N.O. - Association of non-governmental organisations)

To Freedom with a Mentor

