



PROGRAMME

INTERNATIONAL PENAL AND PENITENTIARY FOUNDATION ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

150 year IPPF anniversary celebration: Its contributions to the criminal justice and prison systems – Past, present and future

8 & 9 September 2022

Hotel Warwick, Geneva

IPPF Background and Welcome

The history of the International Penal and Penitentiary Foundation dates back to 1872, when the International Prison Commission (IPC) was set up to collect national prison statistics and make recommendations for prison reform in Europe. In 1935, the IPC became the International Penal and Penitentiary Commission (IPPC), with the IPPF created in 1951. The Foundation has as its aim to promote studies in the field of the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders, especially by scientific research, publications, and teaching. Over its long history, IPPF, along with its predecessor organisation, has contributed to the development of the United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the treatment of detainees in 1955, the Tokyo Rules, as well as several colloquiums and published collections examining critical issues in the area of penal and penitentiary issues around the globe.

You are warmly welcome to this event to mark the 150-year-old roots of the IPPF. Here, we thank all those who have contributed to the development of our Foundation, celebrate our history, and look forward to the future. We are excited to welcome members, associate members, fellows, and friends old and new to examine the future direction of the criminal justice and penal systems across the globe.

Thursday 8 September 2022, Mont-Blanc Conference Room

French & English, simultaneous interpretation for keynote addresses and discussion panel

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| 12h | Welcome lunch, <i>Restaurant Téséo in the hotel</i> |
| 13h30 | Welcome speeches and greetings <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Mary ROGAN, President, IPPF▪ Aimée ZERMATTEN, Legal expert, Swiss Federal Office of Justice▪ Patrick COTTI, Director, Swiss Centre of Expertise in Prison and Probation |

14h

Keynote addresses, part 1

'The key issues and priorities in criminal justice and the penal system in the international perspective'. Each contributor will examine this theme from the viewpoint of their own organisation.

- Annie DEVOS, Vice Chair, Council for Penological Co-operation, Council of Europe
- The Hon. Maria Teresa MANUELA, Commissioner, African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights
- Philipp MEISSNER, Inter-regional Advisor, Focal Point for Prison and Penal Reform, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Section, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

15h

Coffee break, *Mezzanine floor*

15h30

Keynote addresses, part 2

- Jenny WILLER MURPHY, President, Justice Studies Center of the Americas
- Olivia ROPE, Executive Director, Penal Reform International

Keynote discussion panellists

- Secretary General, Confederation of European Probation
- Vasiliki ARTINOPOULOU, member for Greece of the UN Subcommittee on the Prevention of Torture, Professor at Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences (Athens, Greece)
- Vincent DELBOS, member for France of the Council of Europe's European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, Honorary Judge
- Junko IRIE, Deputy Director, United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders

17h

Close of Day 1

19h

Celebratory Anniversary Dinner, *La Perle du Lac*, Geneva

- An address on the history of the IPPF from Secretary General, Piet Hein VAN KEMPEN

IPPF warmly acknowledges the support of the
Swiss Centre of Expertise in Prison and Probation in hosting this event

Friday 9 September 2022, Mont-Blanc Conference Room
French & English, simultaneous interpretation

IPPF Members Discuss Future Plans

- 08h30 Welcome coffee, *Mezzanine floor*
- 09h – 10h Presentations from the authors of IPPF-funded Penal Reform International project: *Addressing gaps in the implementation and management of alternatives to imprisonment and post-release support during the COVID-19 global pandemic*
- Tsira CHANTURIA, Penal Reform International Regional Director for South Caucasus
 - Tanja DEJANOVA, Penal Reform International, Project Coordinator, Alternatives to Imprisonment in Europe
 - Sónia FIDALGO, Professor at the University of Coimbra, Portugal
 - Lili KRAMER, Hungarian Helsinki Committee
 - Ruslan ROMANOV, Ministry of Justice Kyrgyzstan
- 10h – 10h30 Coffee break, *Mezzanine floor*

IPPF General Assembly

- 10h30 IPPF discussion on strategic planning process and future directions
- Why a strategic plan?
Mary ROGAN, IPPF President
 - Introduction to the strategic planning process and member involvement
Sarah COOKE OBE, consultant
 - Open Forum for IPPF Members and Associates
 - What works well in IPPF?
 - What could we do better?
 - What would members like from IPPF?
 - What might our future look like: What should we do to make the most difference in our field?
- 12h30 Close of proceedings
- 12h30 – 14h Farewell lunch, *Restaurant Téséo in the hotel*

Participants | Participantes et participants

IPPF COUNCIL | CONSEIL DE FONDATION FIPP

ROGAN Mary	IPPF President	Présidente FIPP
VAN KEMPEN Piet Hein	IPPF Secretary General	Secrétaire général FIPP
DÍEZ RIPOLLÉS José Luis	IPPF Vice-President	Vice-président FIPP
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IPPF MEMBERS, ASSOCIATES & FELLOWS | MEMBRES, ASSOCIÉ·E·S ET FELLOWS DE LA FIPP

AGOMOH Uju	Nigeria	Nigéria
AKSOY RETORNAZ Eylem	Turkey	Turquie
CÉRÉ Jean-Paul	France	France
GEIRAN Vivian	Ireland	Membre FIPP, Irlande
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MEVIS Paul	Netherlands	Pays-Bas
MIRANDA RODRIGUES Anabela	Portugal	Portugal
MOLINA JEREZ Francisco	Chile	Chili
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TAK Peter	Netherlands	Pays-Bas
TINSLEY Yvette	New Zealand	Nouvelle Zélande
TRECHSEL Stephen	Switzerland	Suisse
TURRINI VITA Riccardo	Italy	Italie
VÉLEZ RODRÍGUEZ Luis	Colombia	Colombie
VIANO Emilio	United States	États-Unis
WĄSEK-WIADEREK Małgorzata	Poland	Pologne

SPEAKERS | ORATRICES ET ORATEURS

ARTINOPOULOU Vasiliki	Member for Greece of the UN Subcommittee on the Prevention of Torture. Professor at Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences (Athens, Greece)
CHANTURIA Tsira	Penal Reform International, Regional Director for South Caucasus
COTTI Patrick	Directeur du Centre suisse de compétences en matière d'exécution des sanctions pénales
DEJANOVA Tanja	Penal Reform International, Project Coordinator, Alternatives to Imprisonment in Europe
DELBOIS Vincent	Member for France of the Council of Europe's European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. Honorary Judge.

DEVOS Annie	Vice-Chair, Council for Penological Co-operation, Council of Europe
FIDALGO Sonia	Professor at the University of Coimbra, Portugal
KRAMER Lili	Hungarian Helsinki Committee
MANUELA Maria Teresa	Commissioner, African Commission on Human People's Rights
MEISSNER Philipp	Inter-regional Advisor, Focal Point for Prison and Penal Reform, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Section, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
PETRONE Daniel	Vice-president, Justice Studies Center of the Americas
PITTS Stephen	International Ambassador for the Confederation of European Probation
ROMANOV Ruslan	Ministry of Justice Kyrgyzstan
ROPE Olivia	Executive Director, Penal Reform International
WILLIER MURPHY Jenny	President, Justice Studies Center of the Americas
ZERMATTEN Aimée	Experte juridique, Office fédéral de la justice

GUESTS | INVITÉES ET INVITÉS

BLANC Jean-Sébastien	Chercheur, Université de Genève, Suisse. Collaborateur scientifique, Centre suisse de compétences en matière d'exécution des sanctions pénales
BERNATH Barbara	Secrétaire générale, Association pour la prévention de la torture
BOZINOVA Melody	Membre du comité de la plateforme d'échanges <i>infoprisons.ch</i> (Suisse)
BUTTICHER François	Interprète FIPP
CONSTANTY Lauriane	Présidente de la plateforme d'échanges <i>infoprisons.ch</i> (Suisse)
COOKE Sarah	Independent consultant, United Kingdom
DELACRAUSAZ Philippe	Professeur à l'Université de Lausanne, Suisse Président de la Société suisse de psychiatrie forensique
DELESSERT Didier	Chef du Service vaudois de médecine et psychiatrie pénitentiaires, Suisse
DORN Nathalie	Membre du comité de la Conférence suisse des directrices et directeurs de la probation
GRIVAT François	Président de la Conférence suisse des directrices et directeurs de la probation
IRIE Junko	Deputy Director, United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders
JABER Taghreed	Penal Reform International, Regional Director for Middle East and North Africa
JENDLY Manon	Professeure à l'Université de Lausanne
KRABBE Maartje	Deputy Chair and Senior Researcher, Radboud University, Netherlands
KRAUSZ Nora	Directrice générale adjointe, Office cantonal de la détention, Genève
KUHN André	Professeur aux Universités de Neuchâtel et Genève Membre du comité du Groupe suisse de criminologie
MEIJER Sonja	Professor at Radboud University, Netherlands
NAMYALO KYAZZE Doreen	Penal Reform International, Regional Director for Sub-Saharan Africa

ONDA Keisuke

Senior officer, United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders

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Secrétaire général de la Conférence latine des Chefs des départements de justice et police (CLDJP)

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Speaker Profiles | Profil des oratrices et orateurs

Aimée ZERMATTEN, Legal expert, Swiss Federal Office of Justice

Aimée ZERMATTEN studied law at the Universities of Fribourg and Vienna. From 2008 to 2016, she worked in the Office for the execution of criminal sanctions and prisons of the Canton of Fribourg. Since 2016, she has been working as a lawyer within the Federal Office of Justice's Execution of Sentences and Measures Unit. In addition to practicing law, she is currently completing a PhD on sexual delinquency and is the author of several publications on criminal law.

Aimée ZERMATTEN is working for the Swiss Federation of Penal Institutions (Freiheitsentzug Schweiz – FES) and serves on the editorial board of the New Journal of Criminology and Crime Policy (NKrim/NCrim). She is also a member of the Swiss Young Academy.

Patrick COTTI, Director, Swiss Centre of Expertise in Prison and Probation

Patrick COTTI studied German language and musicology. Among other things, he has held management positions in the social and educational fields, and was a prison director (1999-2006) and *Conseiller d'État* in the canton of Zug (2007-2010). Since June 2017, he is the Head of the Swiss Centre of Competence for the Execution of Criminal Sanctions (CSCSP) in Fribourg, which he established as a newly created organization from the CSFPP, with new areas of services.

Annie DEVOS, Director-General, Directorate-General for the Houses of Justice, Wallonia-Brussels Federation, Belgium; Vice-President, Council of Penological Cooperation (PC-CP), Council of Europe; & Vice-President, Confederation of European Probation (CEP)

Annie DEVOS has acquired a large experience throughout her career in the field of prison and probation. She has consecutively been prison governor (1988-1991), technical expert on prison policy for the Minister of Justice (1991-1995), seconded head of the department for policy and general affairs (1995-1997) and head of the department in charge of the individual inmates' file (1997-1999) at the Ministry of Justice. Afterwards, Annie DEVOS has run the Belgian probation department – called "Houses of Justice" – since its creation in 1999. At the time, the services depended on the judicial organisation and were then transferred to the services of the Ministry of Justice until late 2014. In 2015, the services were divided between the 3 linguistic communities due to the 6th State reform.

Annie DEVOS has been appointed as Director-General for the Wallonia-Brussels Federation, which comprises the head office, the 13 local houses of Justice, the Centre for Electronic Monitoring and the Centre for Assistance to People concerned by any Radicalism or Extremism leading to Violence (CAPREV) and subsidises partner services in charge of offenders' and victims' support. Annie DEVOS has been the vice-president of the Council for penological co-operation (PC-CP) of the Council of Europe since January 2022, and the Vice-President of the Confederation of European Probation.

Honorable Commissioner Maria Teresa MANUELA, African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights

The Honorable Commissioner Maria Teresa MANUELA has 32 years of experience within the judiciary. She is Deputy Prosecutor General of the Republic and a permanent Member of the High Council of the Judiciary of the Public Prosecutor's Office.

She is Elected Commissioner to the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights - ACHPR where she is responsible for the Mechanism on Prisons, Conditions of Detention and Police Action in Africa. She is responsible for overseeing the implementation of Human Rights in Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau, Equatorial Guinea, Mozambique and Sao Tome and Principe. In 2020 she chaired the Mechanism on the Rights of Women. She is a member of the Committee for the Prevention of Torture in Africa where she is Vice-President. She is also a member of the Committee for the Protection of the Rights of People Living with HIV (PLHIV) and People at Risk, Vulnerable and Affected by HIV. She is the Coordinator of the Human Rights Unit of the Angolan Attorney General's Office in charge of issues related to this theme at national level. She created the network of Prosecutors integrating Magistrates of all Provinces, for rapid response to human rights issues in their respective territories.

Qualifications:

- Post-Graduation in Human Rights at IGC-CDH and University of Coimbra
- Attending a Master's Degree in Criminal Sciences at the Faculty of Law, University Agostinho Neto
- Lecturer in Criminal Law at the Methodist University of Angola
- Degree in Law at the Faculty of Law of the Agostinho Neto University

Philipp MEISSNER, Inter-Regional Advisor, Focal Point For Prison And Penal Reform, Crime Prevention And Criminal Justice Section, United Nations Office On Drugs And Crime

Philipp MEISSNER, Inter-Regional Adviser, serves as the focal point for prison and penal reform in the Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Section of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), for which he has been working for the past 14 years. During his tenure, he has focused on prison and penal reform efforts from different angles, including standard-setting, technical advisory services and the implementation of technical assistance projects. Importantly, he closely accompanied and supported the inter-governmental process to update the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners, which led to the adoption of the Nelson Mandela Rules by the UN General Assembly in 2015. A major focus of his work relates to translating the Nelson Mandela Rules into practice-oriented guidance for prison and corrections officers and to service inter-governmental mechanisms of Member States with a shared interest in prison management issues, such as the Group of Friends of the Nelson Mandela Rules. Recent tools developed under his guidance include, inter alia, a checklist on assessing compliance with the Nelson Mandela Rules, the first scenario-based e-learning course on the Rules as well as a respective Model Prison Act.

Philipp MEISSNER also led UNODC efforts to address the manifestation of emerging challenges in the prison context. Next to the disproportionate impact of the COVID-19 pandemic in prisons, this also included the specific field of violent extremism in prisons, including the development of UNODC's Handbook on the management of violent extremist prisoners and the prevention of radicalization to violence in prisons – the first manual dedicated to this topic at the level of the UN. On behalf of UNODC and in close cooperation with the Department of Peace Operation (DPO) and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), Philipp MEISSNER co-led the development of the UN System Common Position on Incarceration. Endorsed in 2021, the Common Position serves as a joint UN framework to assist Member States in reducing over-incarceration and

prison overcrowding; strengthening prison management and improving prison conditions; and advancing the rehabilitation and social reintegration prospects of offenders. He provided technical advice to prison administrations on all continents and was involved in the design and implementation of numerous prison reform projects. Longer-term field assignments included, inter alia, the State of Palestine (UNODC / prison reform) and Cambodia (Khmer Rouge Tribunal / international criminal justice).

Philipp MEISSNER is a German national. He obtained a Master's degree in political science from Freie Universität Berlin, with a focus on international (criminal) law, and is fluent in English, French and German.

Jenny WILLER MURPHY, President, Justice Studies Center of the Americas (CEJA – JSCA)

Jenny WILLER MURPHY is an internationally recognized Rule of Law subject matter expert with more than 20 years of experience through various positions at the USAID, the State Department and international development firms including Creative Associates International. In her US Government positions, Mrs. Murphy provided technical assistance globally on rule of law issues to US Embassies through her work at USAID and the State Department's Bureau of International Narcotics Affairs and Law Enforcement Affairs (State/INL) including justice sector (administration of justice and access to justice), citizen security, anti-corruption, and security sector reform programming. At the State Department, she worked in the political section of the US Mission to the Organization of American States (USOAS Mission) where she was assigned the hemispheric security portfolio. Jenny WILLER MURPHY also collaborated with the donor community such the OAS, UNDP, the World Bank and with the International Judicial Relations Committee of the US Judiciary and the US government interagency (State, USAID, and DOJ) coordination on rule of law foreign assistance, funding, design, and programming.

Jenny WILLER MURPHY has a Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Affairs and Spanish from the University of Virginia and a Juris Doctorate from American University, Washington College of Law. She is bilingual in English and Spanish.

Olivia ROPE, Executive Director, Penal Reform International

Olivia ROPE is the Executive Director of Penal Reform International (PRI), an NGO developing fair and effective criminal justice worldwide. Having previously led on policy and international advocacy, she is an expert on varied human rights and criminal justice issues, including gender-specific systems. She has authored key publications and training materials for PRI and worked extensively with the UN and other institutional actors and partners.

Olivia ROPE completed her LLM in International and European Human Rights Law at the University of Amsterdam and was admitted to the High Court of New Zealand as a Barrister and Solicitor in 2009.

Vasiliki ARTINOPOULOU, member for Greece of the UN Subcommittee on The Prevention of Torture

Dr. Vasiliki ARTINOPOULOU is full Professor in Criminology in the Sociology Department of Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences (Athens, Greece), Head of the Department (2016-2020) and the former Vice Rector of the University (2009-2011). She is also the Director of the 'Restorative Justice and Mediation Lab' at Panteion University of Athens.

Prof. ARTINOPOULOU is currently member of the UN Subcommittee on the Prevention of Torture (SPT, 2020-2022). She is the Director of the 'Crime & Criminal Justice Institute' in the European Public Law Organization (International Organization); Member of the Management Committee of the European Network on 'Cultures of Victimology'; and Head of the 'Scientific Prison Board' in the Greek Ministry for Citizens Protection (2019-2022); She actively collaborates with the European Commission for many years as External expert of the Research Executive Agency (REA), and the General Directorates on Justice and the Home Affairs, as well She was member of Empowerment and Equity for Diverse Communities Thematic Working Group of Global Forum on Law, Justice and Development, LJD, The World Bank, Washington DC, USA (2012-13). She is actively participating in many national, European and International organizations, working groups, and research projects. Professor ARTINOPOULOU has carried out research on human rights, fundamental rights, rule of law, criminal justice policy, prevention of violence, hate crimes/speech, and victimology.

Prof. ARTINOPOULOU is the author of nine books, and almost 70 publications in peer review journals and collective volumes in English, French and Greek language.

Vincent DELBOS, Member for France of the Council Of Europe's European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, Honorary Judge

Vincent DELBOS has been a member (elected on behalf of France) of the Committee for the Prevention of Torture (CPT) of the Council of Europe since 2017 (2nd current term 2021 2025). He has been the Chairman of the Prisons Committee of the *Fondation de France* (volunteer position) since January 2021.

Vincent DELBOS was the Inspector General of Justice France (2014 2021) and a Former controller of the Contrôleur général des lieux de privation de liberté (2008-2014), National Prevention Mechanism (NPM under the OPCAT) in France. He served as General Rapporteur of the Commission chaired by Mr. Bruno COTTE, former Judge at the International Criminal Court, on the overhaul of sentencing law in France (2014-2015) and the White Paper on prison real estate (2017). Throughout his career, he has held various positions in the courts, including a judge for the enforcement of sentences and a juvenile judge, as well as in the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of the City of France.

Vincent DELBOS is a Lecturer at Sciences Po Paris (Workshop "the judge facing the ecological crisis" and seminar "the prison in France") and has co-authored several evaluation reports, including *Justice for the Environment* (2019), and *Report on the evaluation of policies for the integration of people who are in pretrial detention or sentenced* (2016). Vincent DELBOS also serves as expert for the European Union, the Council of Europe, United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and UN DC: justice assessment programs, development of environmental justice). In 2022, he founded TEM'S, a small firm dedicated to the strengthening of the rule of law (projects in MENA and South Caucasus regions).

Junko IRIE, Deputy Director, United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders

Junko IRIE is Deputy Director of United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (UNAFEI) which provides intensive and practical training courses to criminal justice officers from around the world.

Junko IRIE became a public prosecutor in 2000, and has been practicing law in the criminal justice field for more than 20 years. She has been involved in the technical assistance since 2009 when she

was working for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan. She is one of the key actors who brought the 14th UN Crime Congress (now known as Kyoto Congress) to Japan.

Tsira CHANTURIA, Penal Reform International Regional Director for South Caucasus

Tsira CHANTURIA is the Regional Director for South Caucasus at Penal Reform International (PRI), having worked with PRI for 19 years. Since 2008, she has designed and implemented projects on torture prevention, alternatives to imprisonment and probation, gender-sensitive justice and penal policies and practices, child-friendly justice systems, rehabilitation and re-socialization services for people in the justice system, promoting international standards for human rights in the field of criminal justice. A member of the Consultative Council for National Preventive Mechanism at the Public Defender's Office of Georgia, the Criminal Justice Reform Interagency Coordination Council and its working groups, and the Anti-torture Interagency Coordination Council at the Ministry of Justice of Georgia, Tsira CHANTURIA has also served on selection committees of the penitentiary department and the National Probation Agency.

Tanja DEJANOVA, Penal Reform International, Project Coordinator, Alternatives to Imprisonment in Europe

Tanja DEJANOVA is Project Coordinator on Alternatives to Imprisonment in Europe at Penal Reform International (PRI). She earned her MA in Forensic Psychology from John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City and has collaborated with varied criminal justice stakeholders in her native Finland and North America as a Correctional Officer and Justice Planner. Tanja DEJANOVA has also worked to advocate for the voices of children and young people in conflict with the law as well as in case management in mental health court diversion, in higher education and in child social support service.

Sónia FIDALGO, University of Coimbra, Portugal

Sónia FIDALGO (born 1979) is Tenured Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Coimbra, Portugal. She completed her graduation (2002), her Master's degree (2007) and her doctoral degree (2017) in Law at the University of Coimbra. A member of the Institute for Legal Research at the Faculty of Law of the University of Coimbra, Sónia FIDALGO has published two monographic works and several articles and jurisprudence annotations. She has been invited as keynote speaker in several conferences and seminars in Portugal and abroad.

Lili KRAMER, Hungarian Helsinki Committee

Lili KRAMER is project coordinator and policy researcher at the Justice Programme of the Hungarian Helsinki Committee (HHC), a human rights NGO. A Sociologist-Criminologist, Lili KRAMER has coordinated projects at HHC promoting non-custodial sanctions to prevent prison overcrowding, analysing the extraordinary law-enforcement powers granted under the COVID-19 emergency regime, founding a support network for people in detention and their family members, and making criminal procedure more accessible.

Ruslan ROMANOV, Ministry of Justice Kyrgyzstan

With over 20 years of experience in the police, the penitentiary system and justice under the Kyrgyz Government, Ruslan ROMANOV (born 1971) has held various positions, including Commander of mobile operational staff; Senior Inspector of legal support, licensing systems, head of weapons and technical support; Senior Inspector of closed institutions of strict and special regime; Deputy Head of the Main Department of the State Penitentiary Service; Head of the Accounting and Monitoring Department of the Ministry of Justice and Head of the coordination department of subordinate units and the situational centre.

Currently Ruslan ROMANOV works as department Head in the field of policy of penitentiary, probation, forensic activities, the coordinating council for human rights and IT technology of the Ministry of Justice.