



Framework Decisions 829 and 947 and their Impact on Alternatives in the EU

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Key topics

- Best practice in relation to alternatives to detention
- Viable alternatives, including probationary measures, electronic monitoring and restorative justice
- The application and correct use of Framework Decision 2009/829/JHA on supervision measures as an alternative to provisional detention and Framework Decision 2008/947/JHA on probation and alternative sanctions, also as an alternative to the European Arrest Warrant

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Thursday, 4 December 2025

08:30 Arrival and registration of participants

09:00 **Opening of the seminar**
Antanas Jatkevičius, Ramin Farinpour

I. **FRAMEWORK DECISIONS (FDs) 829 and 947 AND THEIR IMPACT ON ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION IN THE EU**

Chair: Ramin Farinpour

09:10 **Taking stock of the implementation and use of FDs 829 and 947 and the road ahead**

- Recent study on the mapping of their transposition, implementation, efficiency and effectiveness
- 9th round of mutual evaluations on EU Member States' legislation and practice
- Conclusions from the recent High-Level Forum on the Future of EU Criminal Justice

Imants Jurevičius

10:00 Discussion

10:15 **An analysis of CJEU case law affecting the functioning of FDs 829 and 947**
Amedeo Barletta

10:45 Discussion

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 **How the main elements of FDs 829 and 947 work in practice from the perspective of a judicial authority and probation service**

- FD 829: recognition and monitoring of supervision measures, required form, transfer procedure, role of judicial authorities and probation services
- FD 947: transfer procedure, required form, issuing and executing measures, supervision of probation, role of judicial authorities and probation services

Marina Beun, Leontien Kuijer

12:15 Discussion

12:30 **The role of a lawyer in representing and informing clients in the FD 829 and 947 proceedings**

- Advocating non-custodial alternatives, protecting fundamental rights and ensuring procedural safeguards

Amedeo Barletta

13:00 Discussion

13:15 Lunch

14:15 **Legislative reform and regional cooperation to enhance the role of alternatives to detention and the effects of FDs 829 and 947: the example of Latvia Lithuania**

Vita Padriežaitė, Imants Jurevičius

15:00 Discussion

15:15 **Enhancing the use of FDs 829 and 947: the work of the Probation Observatory Network and Training (PONT) Project**

- Overcoming legal and practical problems and good practices
- Findings from PONT's literature and training gap analysis
- E-manual on the implementation of FDs 829 and 947

Esther Montero Pérez de Tudela

15:45 Discussion

16:00 Coffee break

Objective

This seminar, which forms part of a series of five co-funded by the European Union on enhancing cross-border mutual legal assistance and recognition of decisions within the context of detention, will focus on alternatives to detention, also within the context of the European Arrest Warrant, as well as issues surrounding the proper use of Framework Decision 2008/947/JHA on probation and alternative sanctions and Framework Decision 2009/829/JHA on supervision measures as an alternative to provisional detention.

Who should attend?

Judges, prosecutors, lawyers in private practice and probation staff who are citizens of eligible EU Member States participating in the EU Justice Programme (Denmark does not participate), Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo* and Ukraine.

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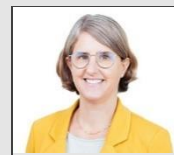
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- 16:30 **The J-CAP and J-CAP NEXT projects: supporting judges, prosecutors and lawyers in executing FD 947 and creating a digital tool designed to meet the needs of judicial practitioners (European Probation Software)**
João Gomes
- 17:00 Discussion
- 17:15 **The role of probation services and officers in preventing (re)incarceration: help on release, conflict resolution and working together with the authorities**
Danijela Mrhar Prelić
- 17:45 Discussion
- 18:00 End of the first day
- 19:30 Dinner

Friday, 5 December 2025

II. ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION IN THE EU WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF FDs 829 AND 947

Chair: Ramin Farinpour

- 09:00 **Alternative sanctions for drug offenders and those with mental health issues**
Jorge Monteiro
- 10:00 Discussion
- 10:15 **Restorative justice as a viable alternative: victim-offender-community mediation within and outside prisons**
Bart Claes
- 10:45 **Technology as part of a viable alternative to detention: the use of electronic monitoring and other technologies in practice and future outlook**
Pia Andersson
- 11:15 Discussion
- 11:30 Coffee break

III. SIMULTANEOUS WORKSHOPS

- 11:00 Workshops
- **Applying the FD on Probation and Alternative Sanctions and the FD on Supervision Measures as an Alternative to Provisional Detention in practice** (*Marina Beun, Leontien Kuijer*)
 - **Probation services and their work with judicial and other authorities: effective means and methods** (*Danijela Mrhar Prelić*)
 - **Effective implementation and application of restorative justice** (*Bart Claes*)
- 12:30 Workshop reports and participant discussion
- 13:00 End of the seminar and light lunch

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Webinar on Framework Decision 947: Supervision of Probation Measures and Alternative Sanctions
Online, 24 September 2025

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Online, 28 January 2026

Webinar on the European Investigation Order (EIO)
Online, 25 February 2026

Seminar on the EAW, pre-trial detention, mutual trust and legal assistance
Krakow, 27-28 April 2026

Webinar on Framework Decision 909
Online, 25 March 2026

Seminar on Framework Decision 909 and its impact on the transfer of prisoners
Lisbon, 11-12 May 2026

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Registration

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Selection

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The number of places available is limited (50 places). Participation will be subject to a selection procedure. Selection will be first come first served and according to nationality.

2. Applications should be submitted before **21 October 2025**.
3. A response will be sent to every applicant after this deadline. **We advise you not to book any travel or accommodation before you receive our confirmation.**

Registration Fee

4. €120 including documentation, coffee breaks, lunches and dinner.

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Participation

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