

IMPACT

Online Consultation Workshop Series

Monitoring the situation of persons with intellectual and/or psychosocial disabilities deprived of liberty in criminal justice settings

“International Standards on the Rights of Detainees with Intellectual and/or Psychosocial Disabilities in Criminal Justice Settings”

15 December 2025, 14:00 – 18:00 CET

13:50	Registration
14:00 – 14:30	<p>Welcome and Introduction</p> <p><i>Moderation: Moritz Birk, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Welcoming Remarks Giuliana Monina, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights Steven Allen, Validity Foundation ❖ Presentation of the “IMPACT Project” Annika Sara Fuchs, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights Suzanne Doyle Guilloud, Validity Foundation
14:30 – 16:00	<p>Session 1: Understanding Current International Standards on the Rights of Detainees with Intellectual and/or Psychosocial Disabilities in Criminal Justice Settings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Overview on Current International Standards on the Rights of Detainees with Intellectual and/or Psychosocial Disabilities in Criminal Justice Settings Giuliana Monina, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights ❖ Understanding International Standards and Approaches on the Rights of Detainees with Intellectual and/or Psychosocial Disabilities in Criminal Justice: An Expert Discussion Panellists: Eļina Šteinerte, Visiting Fellow of Bristol University (Member of the UN Subcommittee on the Prevention of Torture); Karin Rowhani-Wimmer, Member of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture; Steven Allen, Validity Foundation <p>Q&A and Discussion</p>
16:00 – 16:20	Break

16:20 – 17:50	<p>Session 2: Working with International Standards in Monitoring Places of Detention - Experiences and Strategies of OPCAT National Preventive Mechanisms and CRPD Independent Monitoring Mechanisms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Presentation about Preliminary Project Findings Annika Sara Fuchs, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights ❖ Kick off inputs from EU NPMs and IMMs Anica Tomšić, Croatian NPM Quinten Vercruysse, Belgian IMM <p>Discussion in Working Groups & Reporting in the Plenary</p>
17:50 – 18:00	Closure and Next Steps

“Monitoring in Practice”

15 January 2026, 9:30 – 14:00 CET

09:15	Registration
09:30 – 09:55	<p>Welcome and Introduction</p> <p><i>Moderation: Moritz Birk, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Recap from the First Workshop & Introduction to the Second Thematic Workshop Annika Sara Fuchs and Giuliana Monina, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights ❖ IMPACT Project Findings: Overview of Key Findings from the Project Consultations with Persons with Intellectual and/or Psychosocial Disabilities Suzanne Doyle Guilloud, Validity Foundation
09:55 – 11:30	<p>Session 1: Preparing a Monitoring Visit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Identifying Potential Risks Factors for Persons with Intellectual and/or Psychosocial Disabilities Deprived of Liberty Sándor Gurbai, Legal Advocacy Director, Validity Foundation ❖ Kick off Input from EU Monitoring Bodies Antonella Dionisi, Deputy Head of the International Relations and Studies Unit at the Italian NPM <p>Discussion in Working Groups and Reporting in the Plenary</p>
11:50 – 12:15	Break
12:15 – 13:50	<p>Session 2: Conducting a Monitoring Visit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Interviewing Persons with Intellectual and/or Psychosocial Disabilities Gautam Gulati, Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist, Adjunct Professor at University of Limerick, Member of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture <p>Discussion in Working Groups and Reporting in the Plenary</p>
13:50 – 14:00	Closure and Next Steps

“Strategic Cooperation and Effective Follow-up”

19 February 2026, 9:30 – 14:00 CET

09:15	Registration
09:30 – 10:25	<p>Welcome and Introduction</p> <p><i>Moderation: Moritz Birk, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Recap from the Second Workshop & Introduction to the Third Thematic Workshop Giuliana Monina, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights ❖ My Experience in Pre-Trial Detention, Prison and on a Forensic Ward Participant in the IMPACT Project Research
10:25 – 12:00	<p>Session 1: Strategic Cooperation with Persons with Intellectual and/or Psychosocial Disabilities and Organisations Representing Them</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Short Presentation of Project Findings Annika Sara Fuchs, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights ❖ Current Practices: Kick off Input from Monitoring Bodies Olga Kalina, Chair of the European Network of (Ex-)Users and Survivors of Psychiatry (ENUSP), Former Member of the Monitoring Team of the Georgian NPM <p>Discussion in Working Groups and Reporting in the Plenary</p>
12:00 – 12:20	Break
12:20 – 13:50	<p>Session 2: Strategic cooperation between NPMs and IMMs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Short Presentation of the Project Findings Giuliana Monina, Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Fundamental and Human Rights ❖ Enhancing the Impact of National Monitoring Mechanisms Walter Suntinger, Human Rights Consultant <p>Discussion in Working Groups and Reporting in the Plenary</p>
13:50 – 14:00	Closure and Next Steps