



Press Release for the Program Erasmus+ PROBATIONET

Meeting in the University of Tuscia, Viterbo, 18-20 July 2022

The Legal Entity of Private Law (NPID) named "EPANODOS" under the supervision of the Ministry of Citizen Protection, participated in the transnational meeting held within the framework of the Erasmus+ Program PROBATIONET: «A flexible, multidisciplinary and transnational VET model for the PROBATION services and practitioners» [2021-1-EIO1-KA220-vET-000033290], which took place in the University of Tuscia, Università degli Studi della Tuscia, in Viterbo, Italy, from the 18th to the 20th of July 2022. The Coordinator Partner of the Project, Panteion University, through the Laboratory of Urban Criminology, was represented by the Professor of Criminology, Christina Zarafonitou, who welcomed the meeting, presented the program and highlighted its importance for the penal reality. The Italian Partners, as greatly hospitable hosts, welcomed the participating partners from Portugal, Bulgaria, Turkey and Greece.

On the first day, the introduction of all partners took place (Partner's Presentations), the course of the project, the expected results and the planned educational actions (Project Results & Training Events), as well as general information regarding the implementation of the project (Project Management & Dissemination) were presented. Good practices and relevant tools were then presented by the participating partners. In particular, our organization (Epanodos), which is a partner of the program, was represented by Dr. Fotini Milioni and the associate Ms. Marina Grammatikopoulou, lawyer, who presented educational actions carried out by EPANODOS at the Piraeus Probation Service and more specifically computer learning for young people of Court of Piraeus. The adult probation officer of Athens Ms. Th. Adamaki presented, on behalf of the coordinating partner, good practices for adults in community service and the developed successful results.

The second and the third day continued the presentation of cases, good practices and tools. In addition, the methodology and instructions for the effective organization and implementation of the project were presented. The works of the meeting ended, with complete success, on Wednesday, July 20, 2022.

All participating partners obtained useful information and rich experience about the operation of the Probation Officers in the participating countries, the good practices developed by each partner and were informed about the continuation of the project. The next meeting will be organized by EPANODOS, at the beginning of 2023 in Athens, Greece.

A summary of the Program

The project Probationet aims to develop and implement an innovative training model that can respond to the education and training needs of all professionals involved in the probation process and which will be based on a flexible and multidisciplinary approach adapted to each national management system (Probation case management system). Particular emphasis will be given to issues of reconciliation and victim-perpetrator mediation and the related techniques.

The coordinating partner of the program, which is an international partnership, is the Panteion University through the Urban Criminology Laboratory from Greece, while a total of 7 partners participate in the program: [UNIVERSITA DEGLI STUDI DELLA TUSCIA (Italy) Crs Laghi srl (Italy) QUALIFY JUST – IT SOLUTIONS AND CONSULTING LDA (Portugal) GENERAL DIRECTORATE EXECUTION OF SENTENCES (Bulgaria) DIRECAO-GERAL DE REINSERCAO E SERVICOS PRISIONAIS (Portugal) “EPANODOS” for the Social Reintegration of ex-offenders (Greece), Adalet Bakanligi Ankara Denetimli Serbestlik Müdürlüğü (Turkey)].

