



# A participatory path toward reintegration of children in conflict with the law

## *European Final Conference*

26 November 2018 - Brussels

# CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION REGARDING THE CRBB 2.0 PROJECT**

The Children's Rights Behind Bars 2.0 (CRBB2.0) project aims at improving the respect of rights of children in conflict with the law who have been deprived of their liberty as well as their reintegration into the community. To achieve these objectives, 4 NGOs - DCI-Belgium, DCI-Italy, the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights (Poland) and the Howard League (UK) - developed pilot projects on the capacity building of professionals, on the effective participation of juveniles in the improvement of their detention conditions and on the reintegration process. During two years, workshops and training sessions were carried out in more than 10 institutions where juveniles in conflict with the law are held in Belgium, Italy, Poland and the United Kingdom.

CRBB2.0's results are presented in the EU handbook "A participatory path toward reintegration". It provides ready-made solutions and proposals of activities to improve children's participation, capacity building of staff and reintegration processes. The handbook is based on the rich experiences gathered during the two-year project. Among others, it contains practical guidelines on the implementation of activities and recommendations to improve the respect of children's rights in closed institutions. The handbook will be officially released at the conference.

### **EUROPEAN FINAL CONFERENCE**

The conference is a unique opportunity for professionals working for and with children in conflict with the law to present their work. The participants will exchange on current challenges, learn new approved and good practices as well as be the first to know about the results of the CRBB 2.0 project.

The participants will range from professionals working in closed institutions for children (educators, directors, teachers, etc.) or in child protection organisations, to members of the civil society, researchers and academics active in the field of children in conflict with the law. In addition, international stakeholders notably from the EU institutions, the Council of Europe or UNICEF will be attending the event. The conference will be in English.

## CALL FOR APPLICATION

In the framework of this conference, DCI-Belgium wishes to **support the travel and accommodation costs** of a limited number of **professionals working in institutions, NGO members or researchers eager to share with the participants the result of their work** in one the three following areas:

- Capacity building of professionals working in closed institutions for juveniles
- Improving children's rights knowledge and participation of juveniles deprived of their liberty
- Fostering reintegration of juveniles in conflict with the law

Proposals should be submitted on **19 October 2018** at the latest through the following <https://goo.gl/of2Cxa>. Selected participants will be notified by 26 October 2018.

If you are proud of your work with juveniles and would like to share your experience during the conference, we look forward to reading your application.

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