

OECS JUVENILE JUSTICE REFORM PROJECT/ EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME  
COURT MAGISTRATES CONFERENCE

TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR THE CARIBBEAN

**LOOKING TOWARDS A NEW DAWN: DIVERSION IN JUVENILE JUSTICE**

26-28 August, 2013

The Varandah Resort & Spa Antigua  
Indian Town Road, Long Bay, Antigua and Barbuda

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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8:30a.m. – 9:00a.m.	Registration
9:15a.m.-10:15a.m.	Opening Ceremony (Chair: Mr David Popo, Head of Unit, Social Development Unit, OECS) Remarks Dr. Len Ishmael, Director General of the OECS Secretariat Remarks Her Ladyship The Honourable Dame Janice Pereira Remarks Mr. Daniel Smolka, Mission Director, USAID Remarks Khin Sandi Lwin, Representative, UNICEF Office for the Eastern Caribbean Area, UNICEF Vote of Thanks: Turkessa Benjamin, Legal Officer, OECS Secretariat
10:15a.m. – 10:30a.m.	<b>BREAK</b>
	Session 1: Setting the Context ( <u>FACILITATOR : Hazel Thompson- Ahye</u> )
10:30a.m. – 10:45a.m.	Introduction of Participants
10:45a.m. – 10:55a.m.	Aims and Objectives/ Overview of the Workshop
10:55a.m. – 11:15a.m.	Overview of OECS Juvenile Justice Reform Project (Dwight Calixte Project Coordinator, Juvenile Justice Reform Project)
11:15a.m – 12:30p.m.	Overview of Convention on the Rights of the Child articles on juvenile justice Overview of international standards and norms in juvenile justice General principles of juvenile justice
12:30p.m. -1:30p.m.	<b>LUNCH</b>

**1:30p.m. – 3:30p.m.**

**Session 2: Country Presentations**

*(Presentations by magistrates and country coordinator technical advisors – maximum limit - 7 minutes each)*

- *Grenada*
- *St Vincent*
- *Dominica*
- *Saint Lucia*
- *Anguilla*
- *St Kitts and Nevis*
- *Antigua and Barbuda*
  - Age of criminal responsibility and upper age limit;
  - Organization of juvenile justice- type of court, personnel
  - Available dispositions
  - Particular challenges

**3:30p.m. – 4: 30p.m.**

General Discussion on Country Presentations

*Day Two*  
*Tuesday, August 27, 2013*

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**FACILITATOR : Hazel Thompson- Ahye**

**9:00a.m. – 9:30a.m.** Ice breaker, review of Day 1 and Overview of day's programme

**9:30a.m. – 10: 30a.m.** **Session 5 - Diversion –**

- The nature of diversion
- Principles governing diversion
- The importance of diversion in the juvenile justice system
- Diversion programmes: regional and international perspectives
- Discussion

**10:30a.m. – 10:45a.m.** **BREAK**

**10:45a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** **Session 6 – Restorative practices**

- Nature and use of Restorative Practices and Circles
- Video : Beyond Zero Tolerance: Restorative Practices in Schools
- Discussion

**12:30p.m. – 1:30 p.m.** **LUNCH**

**1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.** **Session 7 – Restorative Justice**

- Nature of Restorative Justice
- Video Presentation of Restorative Justice Session: Burning Bridges
- Discussion

**2:30p.m. – 3:30p.m.** Formulating Strategies and Recommendations

**3:30p.m. – 3:45p.m.** **BREAK**

**3:45p.m. - 4:30 p.m.** **Evaluation and Closing**

*Day Three*

*Wednesday August 28, 2013*

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**CHAIRPERSON: Magistrate Tamara Gill**

**9:00a.m. – 10:30a.m.** Judgment Writing, Reasons for Decisions & Extempore Judgments

**10:30a.m. – 10:45a.m.** **BREAK**

**10:45a.m. – 12:00p.m.** Judgment Writing, Reasons for Decisions & Extempore Judgments  
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**12:00 p.m. – 1:15p.m.** **LUNCH**

**1:15p.m. – 2:45p.m.** **Magisterial Appeals**  
Panel Discussion  
*His Lordship Hon. Justice Mario Michel*  
*Court of Appeal Judge*  
*His Lordship Hon. Justice Keith Thom*  
*High Court Judge*

**2:45p.m. – 3:15p.m.** **Discussion**

**3:15p.m. – 3:30p.m.** **BREAK**

**3:30p.m. – 4:30 p.m.** **Sentencing**  
*Her Ladyship Hon. Justice Clare Henry*  
*High Court Judge*

**4:15p.m. – 5:00p.m.** Conference Closing Ceremony/Wrap Up