



World's best criminologists share their secrets in Sydney

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Leading criminologists and practitioners from around the globe will meet in Sydney this September to share their knowledge on the best ways to manage offenders on parole and probation in the community.

The 4th World Congress on Probation, 18-20 September, will focus on evidence-based strategies and practice in managing offenders in the community, including the more unique and targeted interventions for sex- and terror-based offenders.

Acting Corrective Services NSW Commissioner Luke Grant said the event was expected to attract policymakers, practitioners and researchers from Australia and across the globe.

"The theme of the conference is to showcase strategies from around the world in aiding offender reintegration, and to build public confidence in the way we safely manage offenders outside the prison walls," Mr Grant said.

"We're inviting participants from all fields, including justice, academia, policy, law, police, social welfare and victims' groups to attend and share their insight into this challenging goal."

Keynote speakers include former chief executive of the British Prison and Probation Service, Michael Spurr CB, Scottish criminologist and leading researcher Fergus McNeill and award-winning US criminologist Faye Taxman.

The World Congress on Probation, held every two years, is one of the world's largest forums of its kind and aims to promote and develop probation and community corrections through workshops, keynote speakers and the sharing of practical and academic knowledge.

It was first held in London in 2013 and has since been hosted by Los Angeles and Tokyo respectively.

Corrective Services NSW were invited to host the 4th World Congress on Probation in Sydney on behalf of the NSW Government.

For more details, visit

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