

7th IPCAN Seminar

“External and independent mechanisms of monitoring of police: functioning, interactions, and effectiveness”

PROGRAMME

Friday 3 December 2021 – Auditorium Ségur and by visio-conference

8.30 – 9.00 **Welcome coffee**

9.00 – 9.10 **Opening**

- **Ms Claire Hédon**, Defender of Rights, IPCAN member France
- **Mr Michael Lockwood**, Director General of the Independent Office for Police Conduct, IPCAN member, United Kingdom (video)

9.10 – 9.30 **Introduction** – The challenge of depicting oversight mechanism and their effects

- **Dr Sebastian Roché**, Research director, CNRS, France (confirmed)

9.30 – 11.15 **Session 1 – How external control mechanisms of the policing forces are positioned in the national monitoring context?**

The objective of this session will be to examine the specificity of the missions and the perimeter of action of external oversight mechanisms as well as their concrete and functional articulation with other monitoring mechanisms and national institutions.

Moderation and introduction: Ms Pauline Caby, Deputy in charge of security ethics, Defender of rights, IPCAN Member, France

- **Ms Kathleen Stinckens**, Chair of the Committee P, IPCAN member, Belgium
- **Maître Mario Coderre**, Principal Associate in Cabinet Roy, Bélanger avocats, Québec, Canada
- **Mr Alain Pidoux**, General, Chief of the General inspection of the Gendarmerie, France

11.15 – 11.30

Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00

Session 2 – The independence and impartiality of external mechanisms: which guarantees and implementation?

The need for reinforced impartiality is at the origin of the emergence of external police oversight authorities. The creation and development of such structures sometimes follows triggering events that put into perspective the difficulties encountered by public administrations in implementing effective control of their own services. What are the conditions for the impartiality of IPCAN members today? How is independence, and the requirement of transparency implemented in practice?

Moderation: Olena Petsun, Advisor, Office of the Commissioner for Human rights, Council of Europe

- **Ms Marie Anderson**, Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland, IPCAN member, Northern Ireland
- **Representative from police** Germany/Sweden
- **Mr Andreas Pottakis**, Ombud, IPCAN member, Greece
- **Ms Charlotte Storgaard**, Chief Executive, Independent Police Complaints Authority, IPCAN Member, Denmark

13.00 – 14.15

Buffet lunch

14.15 – 16.15

Session 3 – The effectiveness of control mechanisms: achievements and obstacles

The aim of this session is to question the competent authorities on how they perceive and define their effectiveness/efficiency, and in respect to which objectives.

Moderation: Ms Sarah Green, Regional Director for the South East of England, Independent office for police conduct (IOPC), IPCAN member, United Kingdom

- **Ms Irena Ivanovska**, European Council of Police Trade Unions
- **Ms Anne-Sophie Simpere**, Advocacy Officer, Liberties Program, Amnesty International France
- **Mr Pavlo Pushkar** Head of division, Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, Directorate General of Human Rights and the Rule of Law, Council of Europe

16.15 – 16.30

Closing

- **IPCAN member** (tbc)