

ENHANCING THE CAPACITY OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES TO WORK WITH CONVICTED CHILDREN



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Dear colleague,

Despite EU countries' efforts in diverting children from formal criminal proceedings and advancing alternative interventions, many children are still placed in detention. This highlights the need for specialised training for correctional staff, enabling them to recognise children's unique needs and vulnerabilities. With the right knowledge and skills, staff can provide meaningful support, helping these young individuals reintegrate into society and make positive life changes.

However, in reality, the implementation of the sentences for young offenders rarely differs significantly from that for adults. Therefore, the [EU Strategy on the Rights of the Child](#) commits the European Commission to train justice professionals and urges Member States to support relevant bodies in incorporating children's rights.

We are pleased to announce the launch of the ARISA Child's online training programme entitled "Enhanced Capacity Training for Professionals Working with Convicted Children"

Empowering Correctional Staff: A Multisectoral, Person-Centered Approach to Working with Children in Conflict with the Law

We are thrilled to announce the launch of a comprehensive online training programme designed to equip correctional staff and probation officers with the skills and knowledge needed to support children in conflict with the law. Recognising the unique challenges faced by young offenders, this course takes a multisectoral and person-centered approach, emphasising collaboration, rehabilitation, and child-friendly practices.

Available in Six Languages!

To ensure accessibility and inclusivity, the course is offered in Bulgarian, Greek, Italian, Portuguese, Spanish, and English, making it easier for professionals across different countries to participate and apply these essential skills in their work.

A Multisectoral, Person-Centered Approach

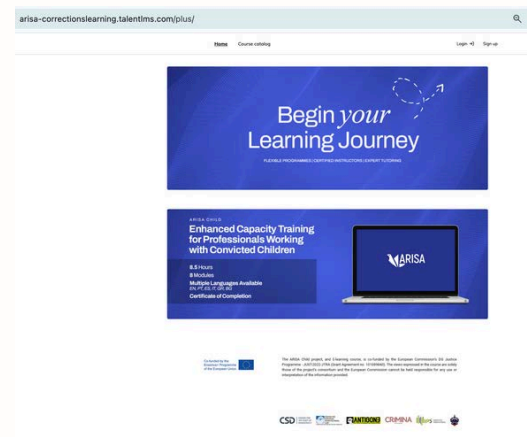
The programme promotes a holistic, multisectoral approach, recognising that the successful rehabilitation of children in conflict with the law requires coordinated efforts between correctional staff, legal professionals, educators, psychologists, social workers, and the community. By placing the child at the center of intervention strategies, the course emphasises:

- ✓ Individualised support, tailored to each child's unique background and needs.
- ✓ Restorative justice principles, focusing on rehabilitation rather than punishment.
- ✓ Multi-agency collaboration, ensuring that justice, social, and educational services work together effectively.



 [Sign up here!](#)

Let's work together to ensure that every child in the justice system has the opportunity for rehabilitation, growth, and a brighter future! ✨



Why Join?

By enrolling in this course, correctional professionals will:

- ✓ Improve their understanding of children's rights and vulnerabilities.
- ✓ Develop effective communication techniques for engaging with young offenders.
- ✓ Gain tools to foster a supportive and rehabilitative environment.
- ✓ Strengthen multi-agency cooperation for more effective interventions.
- ✓ Learn strategies for self-care and resilience, reducing stress in demanding work environments.

This practical and interactive training is designed to support correctional professionals in creating safer, more enabling spaces for children in the justice system.





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