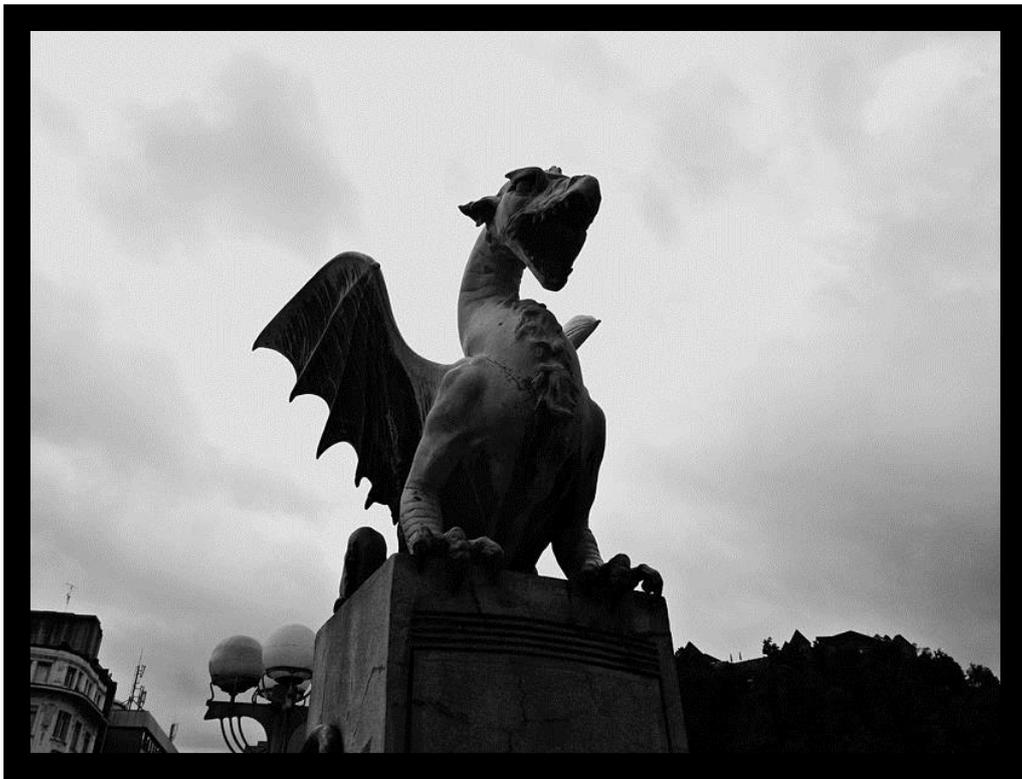


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I. *Editorial*

Save the date:  
22-24 August 2018

The 46<sup>th</sup> EG conference will be held in the capital of Slovenia, Ljubana. This year's conference is entitled: *Social harm in a digitalized global world: Technologies of power and normalized practices of contemporary society*. You will find the call for paper in this Newsletter (see pp 6-7) as well as soon find news of the event posted on the EG webpage and in various social media. Spread the word (!) and remember to submit your paper to the organizer of the stream you would like to present within 31 March 2018.

The Norwegian criminologist Kjersti Ericsson published in Norwegian in 2009 a book entitled "Samfunnets stebarn" (The Stepchildren of Society) where she documents more than 200 years of changing ideas resulting in the use and abuse of children in Norwegian institutional "care". The name "Stepchildren of Society" is also used by a Swedish NGO, the National Association for Stepchildren of Society (in Swedish: Riksförbundet för Samhällets Styvbarn), which consists of adults that somehow has been in custody of the state. How to be custodians for the stepchildren of society is a question as old as the discipline of criminology itself, which makes it even more depressing that it is just as necessary now as it was then to call out against state punishment of children. Though JENGBA is a British example, we are sure the issues addressed will resonate with members throughout Europe when considering their own state's use of power towards the stepchildren living in their neighborhoods.

We still need help to update our webpages, and also help with continuing maintenance and publications on the web. We need a web-editor! Do you have the expertise and would like to volunteer to be the EG group's new Web-editor, please do not hesitate to contact us by e-mail: [europiangroupcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:europiangroupcoordinator@gmail.com).

In solidarity,  
Ida and Per

## II. JENGbA relaunch: 'It's drugs and organised crime we need to go after – not locking up kids'



Sketch by Isobel Williams [www.isobelwilliams.blogspot.co.uk](http://www.isobelwilliams.blogspot.co.uk) (from Proof magazine)

By: Matthew Stanbury

When I was told that they were expecting a 'good turnout' at the JENGbA relaunch event I was admittedly a touch sceptical. After all, it has now been almost two years since the Supreme Court supposedly settled the law on joint enterprise in the *Jogee* case. What could a campaign group focused mostly on reforming the law on joint enterprise law have left to contribute? The answer, as quickly became apparent, is plenty.

JENGbA (Joint Enterprise Not Guilty by Association) was formed in 2010. A grassroots campaign, it has worked tirelessly to confront injustice: mostly (but not exclusively) in the area of joint enterprise law. It came to particular prominence with its intervention in the *Jogee* case, and now commands widespread respect and support including from notable parliamentarians, lawyers and other like-minded campaign groups.

The heart and soul of JENGbA are the families who give their time to campaign for their loved ones and for what they believe in. They were out in force, displaying their familiar red colours. Room 10 at the House of Commons can accommodate 150 people,

but standing was not allowed so that some could only join the meeting in the worst of circumstances: when some family members became upset and vacated their seats.

There were a number of excellent, impassioned speakers from the legal and academic communities (and I said something too). There were appearances from senior and supportive parliamentarians such as the shadow Brexit Secretary Keir Starmer MP, the chair of the Justice Select Committee Bob Neill MP, 'plebgate' victim Andrew Mitchell MP, as well as Lucy Powell MP who is now a prominent supporter of the JENGBA campaign.

A very welcome turn came from David Lammy MP whose recent review of the treatment of BAME [Black, Asian, and Minority Ethnic] individuals in the criminal justice system resonates strongly in the context of joint enterprise law. He reminded the meeting of a most alarming statistic from his review: that BAME women are 220% more likely to be sent to prison than their white counterparts, with the statistics for BAME men almost as miserable.

David Lammy also touched upon a subject which is at the heart of the JENGBA reboot: the incarceration of children. In a deft analogy he likened the prevailing situation in the UK to the US series *The Wire*: in which groups of children did the bidding of older, more savvy villains and were sooner or later locked up. 'It's drugs and organised crime we need to go after,' he said, 'not locking up swathes of young people.'

This was shortly followed by a grimly shocking statistic from the impassioned Dr David Scott: that 318 children have died in state custody since 1990. Add in the numbers of children sentenced to life imprisonment, and you have what Dr Scott called 'one of the biggest scandals of our times'. He made a heartfelt plea for urgent action, echoed by David Lammy who said: 'I'm guessing most of you are here because you want to see action.' This was met, unsurprisingly, with frantic nods of agreement.

The meeting ended with words from JENGBA stalwart Jan Cunliffe, who has now been campaigning for 10 years and said: 'If I have to do another 10 that's fine.' This neatly summed up the JENGBA spirit. These are campaigners who are not going away, and who have a new lease of life: fired up by the lack of progress post-*Jogee* and with the organisational capacity to take its campaigning into other areas such as the reform of homicide laws, mandatory life sentences, child imprisonment, and the Criminal Appeals Act. On today's showing JENGBA will surely continue to make a real difference.

*This article appeared at the [Justice Gap](#) on November 15, 2017*

### III. European Group 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference: *Ljubljana, 22-24 August 2018*

#### Social harm in a digitalized global world: Technologies of power and normalized practices of contemporary society



The world in which we live in is more interconnected and changing more rapidly than ever before. Accelerated technological advances, climate change and large-scale migration, to name a few, are all having an increasing effect on how we experience our lives today and how we will in the future. It leads to new modalities of social control and understandings of deviance as well as to increasing gaps between those who are able to take part in a digitalized global world, and those who are not – those who are privileged by globalizations and those who are harmed by it.

The changes brought on by globalization and the rise of technologies of power are influencing different aspects of different people's lives. While the transformations have been positive for many, they have also been extremely harmful for countless of others. Analyzing the changes and wide specter of consequences brought on by trends such as consumerism, transnationalism and digitalism in different parts of the world is a necessary prerequisite to understand and act upon new ideological, policy, legislative, and enforcement solutions. Distinctions between public and private modes of provisions and control are becoming increasingly blurred, preventing oversight and bringing surveillance and repression, driven by economic incentives.

Resisting harms resulting from the normalized practices of contemporary society as well as harms brought on by technologies of power is not an easy task as it encircles our everyday life. In an aim to preserve human dignity, the normalized practices of contemporary socio-economic conditions as well as technologies of power that are changing the world as we know it must attract our attention in order for us to act upon it.

## **Streams**

The call for papers is organized under streams pertaining to the titles of the European Group's Working Groups, and suggests a series of key themes for that working group in relation to the overarching conference theme. We do, however, also welcome papers that explore other critical trajectories pertaining to the wider intersections of the overarching conference theme and the concern(s) of the working groups. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact one of the stream coordinators.

Please submit your paper to the organizer of the stream you would like to present within *before 31 March*.

<p><b>The quest for growth and the issue of social harm</b></p> <p>Contact: <a href="mailto:katja.simonci@pf.uni-lj.si">katja.simonci@pf.uni-lj.si</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The "normal", harmful practices of contemporary society</li> <li>• Technological progress and ethical issues</li> <li>• Privacy and data protection, a question of class?</li> <li>• Big data, Algorithms and Policing</li> </ul>
<p><b>Crimes of the Powerful</b></p> <p>Contact: <a href="mailto:samantha.fletcher@open.ac.uk">samantha.fletcher@open.ac.uk</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Privacy as a privilege of the powerful;</li> <li>• Critically examinations of technologies and the state-corporate relationship;</li> <li>• Accountability in global, transnational and/or digital economies;</li> <li>• From the local to the global - green criminology and the environment;</li> <li>• Resisting and contesting the crimes of the powerful: Activism and protest in the digital 'global' world</li> </ul>
<p><b>Social harm/Zemiology</b></p> <p>Contact: <a href="mailto:C.Pantazis@bristol.ac.uk">C.Pantazis@bristol.ac.uk</a> <a href="mailto:S.Pemberton.1@bham.ac.uk">S.Pemberton.1@bham.ac.uk</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uncovering harms of the sharing economy</li> <li>• Social harm an neo-liberal policies, developments, and practices</li> <li>• Poverty, inequality and social injustice</li> <li>• Social harms relating to classism, sexism, heterosexuality, racism, etc.</li> <li>• Social harms arising from public/social policy</li> </ul>
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<p><b>Historical, philosophical and artistic approaches on the study on deviance and social control</b></p> <p>Contact: <a href="mailto:s.georgoulas@soc.aegean.gr">s.georgoulas@soc.aegean.gr</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• history of crime and social control</li> <li>• criminological theory</li> <li>• crime in arts and literature</li> </ul>

## **IV. Available from European Group Press**

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### **Cadenza: A Professional Autobiography**

*Thomas Mathiesen (with the assistance of Snorre Smàri Mathiesen)*

The English translation of Mathiesen's important account of his career as a public intellectual and activist

### **Emerging Voices**

**Critical Social Research by European Group Postgraduate and Early Career Researchers**

*Co-ordinated and Edited by Samantha Fletcher and Holly White*

*Associate Editing by the Emerging Voices Collective*

*Preface by Steve Tombs*

This collection of twenty-six short chapters introduces the scholarly and activist work currently being undertaken by emerging voices in the European Group.

### **Voices of Resistance**

**Subjugated knowledge and the challenge to the criminal justice system**

*Edited by Kym Atkinson, Antoinette Raffaella Huber and Katie Tucker*

A collection of papers presented at the Liverpool John Moore's Centre for the Study of Crime, Criminalisation and Social Exclusion's postgraduate conference held in 2016

### **Women Crime and Criminology: A Celebration**

*Edited by: Helen Monk and Joe Sim*

Includes contributions from Frances Heidensohn, Richard Collier and Carol Smart as well as an introduction by Helen Monk and Joe Sim.

## **Beyond Criminal Justice**

Edited by: *J.M. Moore, Bill Rolston, David Scott and Mike Tomlinson*

An Anthology of Abolitionist Papers presented to conferences of the European Group for the Study of Deviance and Social Control.

## **Emancipatory Politics and Praxis**

*David Scott (with Emma Bell, Joanna Gilmore, Helen Gosling, J M Moore and Faith Spear)*

An anthology of essays written for the European Group for the Study of Deviance and Social Control, 2013-16

## **Penal Abolitionism**

Edited by: *Andrea Beckman, J.M. Moore and Azrini Wahidin*

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Edited by: *Andrea Beckman, J.M. Moore and Azrini Wahidin*

Papers from the Penal Law, Abolition and Anarchism Conference Volume 2

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## V. News from Europe and Around the World

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Reviewed by Naoise McDonagh, pp. 119-121.

<https://www.crimejusticejournal.com/issue/view/27>

## **Finland**

The Journal of Scandinavian Studies in Criminology and Crime Prevention (JSSCCP) seeks a new Editor-in-Chief for a three-year term 1.5.2018-1.5.2021.

For more information see: <http://www.nsfk.org/Page/ID/597/JOB-ANNOUNCEMENT-EDITOR--Journal-of-Scandinavian-Studies-in-Criminology-and-Crime-Prevention>

## **Norway**

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