

Promoting Professional Prison Practice



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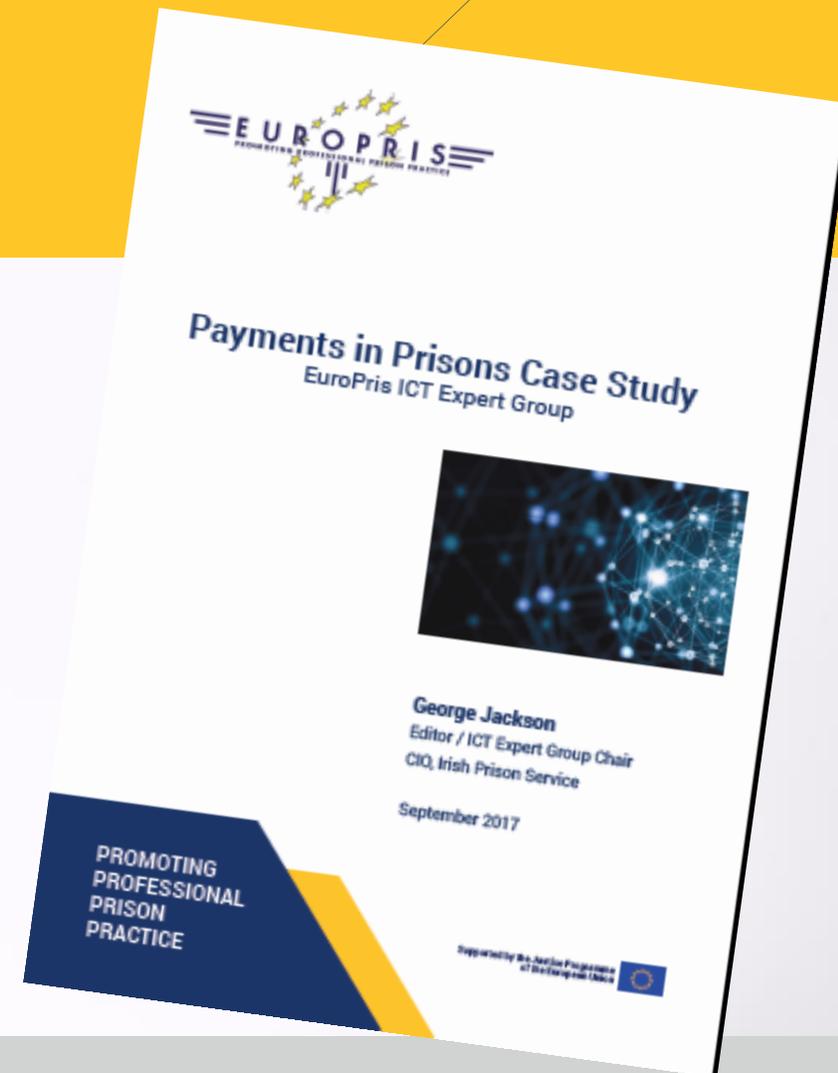
Background to the ICT Expert Group

- The ICT in Prisons Expert Group was set-up in 2012 and had its first meeting in London. Since then there have been meetings in Brussels 2013, Luxembourg 2014, Malmo 2015, Prague 2016, Helsinki 2017, Zagreb 2018.
- The group comprises of 10 ICT experts from across the EuroPris members and is rotated every two years.



What does the ICT Expert Group do?

- Objectives
 - The ICT in Prisons Expert Group function is to work collaboratively to assist in the collection and dissemination of information that provides value to the EuroPris Members on ICT in Prisons.
- How?
 - Share details on significant projects on which they are engaged and share the “lessons learned”
 - Create reports : best practices, recommendations, case studies which are published on the EuroPris Website
 - Organise ICT Workshops and every second year a Technology in Corrections Conference



Case Studies

- Over the years the ICT Expert Group have written and published a number of case studies including:
 - How can ICT make the Offender better prepared for release?
 - Payments in Prisons
 - Telemedicine
 - Cloud and Data Protection
 - Collaboration between the Penal System and the Police
 - Education in Prisons
 - Videoconferencing in Prisons



ICT Role

- **ICT has an important role to play**
- **Today – islands of ICT can be found**
- **Strategy – building secure platforms that are compatible with the outside world**
- **Preparing the Offender for release includes preparing him/her for an increasingly digital world**
- **We must introduce digital tools in a more proactive way into the prison system**



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Questions?



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