

PLENAIR**Jonge criminelen die volwassen worden: gemiste kansen en nieuwe mogelijkheden**

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Toelichting:

The plenary presentation tells how a group of over 30 European scholars collaborated with a group of over 30 North American scholars in the creation of reports on the transition between juvenile delinquency and adult crime. Specifically, the presentation summarizes the workgroups answers to the following questions:

- To what extent can we predict persistence as opposed to desistance after age 18?
- To what extent can we predict adult onset and escalation in offending after age 18?
- When and how can we intervene to prevent or reduce persistence?
- Which justice procedures are optimal for the transition between adolescence and adulthood?
- Is the development of mental maturity complete by age 18?
- Since 2013 the Netherlands has a special category of young adult offenders (ages 18-23). What can be done?
- What can be learned from similar approaches to young adults in Germany, Sweden, and the state of Washington?

CV:

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