



Monday, 8th March
11.30 - 13.00 (Japan time)
Online format

Over the years sport has been used as an intervention tool to tackle youth crime in many parts of the world. Various initiatives, including that of the UNODC Global Programme for the integration of crime prevention and criminal justice into the wider agenda of the United Nations, recognize the potential of sport as both preventive and corrective tool for primary, secondary and tertiary group of youth population. The importance of sport is reemphasized by the resolution "Integrating Sport into Youth Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Strategies", which was adopted by the General Assembly in December 2019.

This ancillary meeting aims to increase a global perspective on the nexus between the utilization of sport for youth crime prevention and the attainment of SDGs. The meeting aims to showcase good practices and to discuss lesson-learned in integrating sports-based activities into youth crime prevention and criminal justice policies including in the context of social reintegration of offenders and preventing reoffending. This will also help strengthen multi-stakeholder engagement strategy of the criminal justice system which ultimately paves the way to successful implementation of sport initiatives for youth crime prevention as well as social reintegration of young offenders.

Integrating Sport into Youth Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Strategies

Ancillary Meeting at the Fourteenth United Nations Congress
on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

Keynote Remarks



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Presentation: Theoretical framework, best practices and challenges



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