

**THE ACTIVITY OF THE HELLENIC SOCIETY
OF CRIMINOLOGY IN 1989**

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**9 January Criminal Responsibility from Self-Destructive Acts:
The Example of the Punishment of Drug Use**

Lecture by Mr. Nikolaos PARASKEVOPOULOS (*Professor of Criminal Law at the Law Department of the University of Thessaloniki*) on the legal arguments against the punishment of «self-destructive» acts, such as attempted suicide, self-injury to avoid military service and use of narcotic substances, with emphasis on the last one. The legalisation of drug use was examined from the point of view of criminal and constitutional law theory.

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27 January The Problem of Over Criminalisation

Lecture by Mr. Ioannis MANOLEDAKIS (*Professor of Criminal Law at the Law Department of the University of Thessaloniki*) on the extremely large number of criminal statutes in greek legislation and the respective large number of criminalised actions and forms of behaviour. The possibility to decriminalise some categories of offences was argued for.

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15 March The Participation of the Public in Crime Prevention

Round table discussion coordinated by Mrs. Kalliopi SPINELLI (*Associate Professor of Criminology at the Law Department of the University of Athens*) on the role of the public in an effective crime prevention policy and the initiatives towards this end, with papers presented by Mr. Alekos ZANOS (*former Professor at the Athens Polytechnic*), Mr. Konstantinos KALLIGAS (*Journalist*), Mr. Panagiotis RAFTOPOULOS (*Hon. Chief of Police*) and Mrs. Marietta RIGA (*Psychologist*).

10 May **The Penitentiary Evil: The Case of Belgium**

Lecture by Mr. Guy HOUCHON (*Professor of Criminology at the Law School of the Catholic University of Louvain*) on the intervention of criminology in the penitentiary with examples drawn from the study of prison problems in Belgium and the experiences from the interference of academic criminology.

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18 October **Human Rights in the Penitentiary System**

First lecture [coorganized with the Goethe Institute and the Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights] by Mr. Helmut KURY (*Professor of Psychology and Criminology at the Albert-Ludwig University and Research Director at the Max-Planck Institute, Freiburg i.Br.*) on the violation of human rights within the penitentiary system and the national (german) and international statutes providing for the protection of these rights, as well as the consequences of such violations.

25 October **Criminological Research in the Federal Republic of Germany**

Second lecture [coorganized with the Section of Criminology of Panteion University] by Mr. Helmut KURY on the evolution of criminology in the Federal Republic of Germany with emphasis on the criminological research carried out there.

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18-22 December **The Deprivation of Liberty within the Penal System from the Point of View of Human Rights**

Fourty-second International Course of Criminology [coorganized with the International Society of Criminology and the Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights] with papers presented by Mrs. Alice YOTOPOULOS-MARANGOPOULOS (*Panteion University, President of the Hellenic Society of Criminology and the Foundation for Human Rights*), Mr. Andras SZABO (*University of Budapest*), Mr. James FARSEDAKIS (*Panteion University*), Mrs. Ulla BONDSON (*University of Copenhagen*), Mr. Denis SZABO (*University of*

Montreal, Hon. President of the International Society of Criminology), Mr. Georges PICCA (University of Paris-Nanterre, Secretary General of the International Society of Criminology), Mrs. Aglaia TSITSOURA (University of Brussels, Head of Criminological Affairs at the Council of Europe), Mr. Stergios ALEXIADIS (University of Thessaloniki, Vice-president of the Hellenic Society of Criminology), Mr. Pierre Henri BOLLE (University of Neuchâtel), Mr. Philippe MARY (University of Brussels), Mr. Guy HOUCHON (Catholic University of Louvain), Mrs. Françoise KEFER (University of Liège), Mrs. Fotini TSAΛIKOΓΛΟΥ (Panteion University), Mr. Dimitris KALOGEROPOULOS (University of Brussels & Panteion University), Mrs. Aphrodite KOUKOUTSAKI (Panteion University), Mrs. Kalliopi SPINELLI (University of Athens), Mr. Uberto GATTI (University of Genova), Mr. Nestor KOURAKIS (University of Athens), and Mrs. Anthozoe CHAIDOU (Panteion University).

[An extensive report on the course will appear in the next issue of the H.R.C.; the papers presented are published in a special volume.]