

# European Group for the Study of Deviance and Social Control 52nd annual conference



## Technologies of Oppression, Technologies of Resistance

The overarching focus of the 2024 annual conference is technologically facilitated deviance and new forms of social control. From human interactions in everyday life to automated policy, technology has hundreds of facets to be observed, interpreted, and discussed. While it is a truism that states and corporations use new technologies as a means of social control, the ways in which it happens are far from straightforward.

Technology is also inherent in the shaping and negotiation of new norms, defining which transgressions are possible, and how they are carried out. Technology offers the opportunity for subversion and engagement, and understanding how it works sometimes makes the difference between empowerment and oppression. And prevailing techno-optimistic and techno-pessimistic discourses deserve critique for diverting attention from the actual problems at hand.

### Here is a selection of themes covered at the conference:

- use of technology in and by systems of justice, policing, and punishment;
- capital and the technologies of war;
- power differentials ingrained in technologies;
- social harms of technological solutions;
- migration, digital and biotechnological colonialism and resistance to it;
- technological empowerment of dissent and activism;
- the impact of technology on bodies, genders, sexualities, and biological worldviews;
- theorising technology in studies of deviance and social control;
- technologies in critical pedagogy.

### **What is the European Group?**

The European Group for the Study of Deviance and Social Control (EG) is an international network for academics, practitioners, and activists working towards social justice, state accountability and decarceration. It is an open forum promoting critical analysis and connecting theory, politics and activism. Since the Group was founded in Florence, Italy, in 1973, it has grown to comprise over 1000 members stretching across six different continents, making the Group the largest critical criminology forum in the world.

### **Who are members of the European Group?**

It may not be apparent if this is your first time here, but if you attend the European Group conference, you've already become a member of the group. Don't be afraid to talk to people, ask questions, make friends. The aim of the EG annual conferences is to bring together members from all walks of life and career paths. The EG offers solidarity, support and comradeship to scholars, students, and activists engaged with contemporary challenges and debates about positive social change.

### **What is the Annual General Meeting?**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) is the time when the whole group meets to collectively make decisions, elect the coordinators (rotating every 3 years), decide on EG activities outside of the conference, and any other concerns. All conference participants are invited to the Meeting, so don't hesitate to come over if you are new - it's a great way to see how the EG works from the inside.

### **What are the European Group Working Groups?**

The European Group comprises seven Working Groups:

- Prisons, Punishment and Detention Working Group,
- Policing and Security Working Group
- Crimes of the Powerful Working Group
- Social Harm Working Group
- Fear and looting in the periphery: Approaching global crime and harm in (and from) the south(s)
- Historical, philosophical and artistic approaches on the study of deviance and social control
- Criminalisation of dissent and activism

The working groups contribute to organising conference sessions, share materials for the EG newsletter, and may organise smaller conferences and events. If you would like to join a working group, you will find WG lead contacts and further info at the EG website:

[The Working Groups.](#)

**DAY 1: Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>****09:00 – Conference check-in****10:00 – Welcome session****10:45 – Session 1****Panel A** Use of technology in and by systems of justice, policing, and punishment (moderated by Katarina Winter)**Amr Marzouk**

Big Brother is still watching:  
hybrid modes of surveillance from the Global South

**Vasilis Galis and Katarina Winter**

Technologies toward de-integration:  
Nordic integration policies as discursive, legal,  
and everyday mutation

**Klara Hermansson, Julia Sandahl  
and Katarina Winter**

Everyday users of security technologies:  
tensions and consequences

**Panel B** Theorising technology in studies of deviance and social control (moderated by Nasrul Ismail)**Jovita Žėkaitė-Maconko**

Exploring Criminologists' Engagement with  
Online Bullying:  
A Critical Analysis through Pierre Bourdieu's  
Field Theory

**TBD**

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**Athena Michalakea**

'Deviant' fantasies in a high-tech panopticon.  
Deepfakes, online child protection,  
prison expansionism and sex workers' rights

**Panel C** Power differentials ingrained in technologies (moderated by Giulia Lausi)**Kęstutis Grumodas**

Accepted Bodies, Rejected Bodies:  
Differences in Framing  
Ukrainian War Displacement  
and Eu-Belarus Border Crossing  
in Lithuanian Media

**Giulia Lausi**

Non-consensual sharing of intimate material:  
a study on proclivity and factors influencing its enactment

**Ramunė Jakštienė**

Technologies as tools to stalk a person  
and to evidence stalking

**12:00 – Lunch break (until 13:30)**

**DAY 1: Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**

**13:30 – Round tables**

**RT1** Revealing the politics of law-making – teaching techniques and technologies for teaching (moderated by Anne Alvesalo-Kuusi and Hanna Malik)

**RT2** In memory of Vincenzo Ruggiero (moderated by Simone Santorso)

**14:45 – Session 2**

**Panel A** Use of technology in and by systems of justice, policing, and punishment (moderated by Perla Allegri)

**Mónica Sánchez Hernández**

Mobile phones:  
 the windows of the prison

**Catalina Ortuzar**

Mobile phones  
 and women drug offenders:  
 the dichotomy between risk and need

**Perla Allegri**

Electronic Prisons:  
 New Security Devices in the  
 Network of the Carceral Archipelago

**Teresa Brasio-McLaughlin**

All That Remains:  
 Intersecting Experiences of  
 Men’s Mental Health and Life After Prison

**Panel B** Use of technology in and by systems of justice, policing, and punishment (moderated by Federica Rossi)

**Karan Tripathi**

Understanding  
 Computational Dispositif of  
 Postcolonial Platformised Policing

**Leandro Schclarek Mulinari**

Policing segregation in Sweden  
 and beyond:  
 the role of spatial imaginaries, race and  
 class in law enforcement

**Federica Rossi**

From “Police Out of School”  
 to solidarity with Child Q:  
 challenging technologies of oppression and  
 carcerality in schools

**Gonzalo Garcia Campo Almendros**

Beyond the Global North:  
 Predictive Policing Features  
 and Experiences in Latin America

**Panel C** The many faces of security technologies in the South (moderated by Carlo Gatti)

**David Vila-Viñas**

Law and Control in the  
 Field of Social Reproduction:  
 Focus on the Spanish Context

**Carlo Gatti**

Social Control in southern Europe:  
 one year later

**Javiera Farias**

When reality surpasses virtuality:  
 effects of the allocation  
 of social assistance through  
 algorithmic systems in Catalonia

**Jesús Aguerri**

Digitisation, gamblification  
 and the limits of law:  
 when technology shows the contradictions  
 of the "security"

**16:00 – Coffee break (until 16:30)**

## DAY 1: Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>

### 16:30 – Keynote session by Nigel South

#### Killing the planet one day at a time: Everyday Ecocide and the call for planetary justice

### 17:30 – Break

### 17:45 – Session 3

#### Panel A Use of technology in and by systems of justice, policing, and punishment (moderated by Sergio Grossi)

##### **Sarah Armstrong**

Murdering the dead:  
Quantifying and qualifying state death

##### **Sergio Grossi**

Social Pedagogy as a Technology of Liberation?  
From the Pedagogy of Oppression to the Pedagogy of Hope  
in the Prison Environment

##### **Maiara Corrêa**

Double meaning and different uses:  
reading in Brazilian prison systems

#### Panel B Theorising technology in studies of deviance and social control (moderated by Maria Jesus Valenzuela)

##### **Tony Ward**

Technologies of Injustice:  
Forensic Science and Criminal Procedure in Europe

##### **Maria Sarasola Fernández**

The use of new technologies in policing:  
perceptions of Ertzaintza officers

##### **Maria Jesus Valenzuela**

An affective approach for a micro-macro social  
perspective on the effects of body-worn cameras  
in policing

#### Panel C Social harms of technological solutions (moderated by Nigel South)

##### **Jana Macfarlane Horn**

Corporate crime resistance in podcasts

##### **Amy Sage**

Navigating the collateral consequences of a criminal  
conviction in the digital age

##### **Jessica Elias**

Digital Zemiology and Changing Dynamics  
of Resistance

### 19:00 – Closing of day 1



## DAY 2: Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>

### 09:30 – Session 1

#### Panel A Green criminology (moderated by: Ragnhild Sollund)

**Ragnhild Sollund**

The harms of trophy hunting in a green criminology perspective

**Eleanor Godwin**

Community-driven approaches to climate change technology:  
Challenging the neoliberalisation of technological climate solutions

**Bram Visser and Brunilda Pali**

“We feel that warm breath in our necks”:  
Experiences, impact, and meaning of criminalisation of environmental activism in Belgium

#### Panel B Criminalisation of activism: technologies of repression, technologies of resistance (moderated by Federica Rossi)

**Vincenzo Scalia**

Counter-surveillance as a crime or as resistance: Julian Assange and Wikileaks

**Samuel Medeiros Andreatta**

Anonymity and Political Resistance: Utopian technopolitical dynamic abstractions

**Agnieška Avin**

Reclaiming dignity and community voice through informational technologies: a case study of digital Roma activism in Lithuania

#### Panel C Abolition and history (moderated by Ida Nafstad)

**Ida Nafstad**

Transformative Justice and Police Abolitionism in the Framework of Thomas Mathiesen's Scholarship

**Shain Morisse**

The biographical and historical roots of penal abolitionism: the decisive role of the war and the 1968s for the 4 European founding fathers

**Matti Eskelinen**

Anarchism and Abolition:  
Not so Natural Allies?

### 10:45 – Break

### 11:00 – Round tables

**RT1** Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions: What it is and why we should support it (moderated by Elian Weizman)

**RT2** Critical Pedagogy and Teaching Praxis: challenges of accelerated societies (moderated by Hanna Maria Malik)

### 12:00 – Lunch break (until 13:30)

## DAY 2: Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>

13:30 – Annual general meeting (until 14:15)

14:15 – Coffee break

14:45 – Keynote session by Dina Siegel Camel races – crime, sport and technology

15:45 – Break

### 16:00 – Session 2

#### Panel A Green criminology (moderated by Dina Siegel)

**Nigel South**

Dark Green Histories:  
old and new narratives of 'Eco-Fascism'

**Andrea Brock**

Policing animal liberation,  
enforcing ecological degradation

**Tracey Davanna**

Technologies of resistance  
& the application of 'missing data':  
a case study of animal-rights activism,  
classism & harms against the English countryside

#### Panel B Critical reflections on history (moderated by Wayne Morrison)

**Tibor Hrs Pandur**

Nikola Tesla's Socio-Transformative technologies  
and their relevance today

**Stratos Georgoulas**

Shakespeare and the origin of radical criminology

**Wayne Morrison**

Vilnius, the Holocaust, resisting the black hole of  
Criminology

#### Panel C Criminalisation of activism: technologies of repression, technologies of resistance (moderated by Georgios Papanicolaou)

**Elian Weizman**

Criminalising the Palestinian Boycott, Divestment  
and Sanction Movement: lessons from the UK

**Steven Cammiss and Graeme Hayes**

Surveillance, Silence, and Voice:  
Defending Non-Violent Activism in English Courts

**Georgios Papanicolaou**

Through the eyes of their defenders:  
criminalisation of dissent and cause lawyering in Greece



## DAY 2: Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>

17:15 – Break

### 17:30 – Session 3 Round tables

Panel A RT1: Penal abolitionists meet decolonial ecologists: the politics of ecocide in a global perspective  
(moderated by Andrea Brock and Marília Denardin Budó)

Panel B RT2: War, media, borders: Activists from the Lithuanian frontiers (moderated by TBD)

Panel C RT3: The policing of protest (moderated by Tracey Davanna and Richard Wild)

18:45 – Closing of day 2

20:30 – Conference dinner

## DAY 3: Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

### 10:00 – Session 1

#### Panel A Criminalisation of activism: technologies of repression, technologies of resistance (moderated by Tracey Davanna)

**Mike Harrison**

'A Nation of Sanctuary':  
The Welsh Government's response to recent civil dissent'

**Elton Kalica**

Doing Time, Doing Research:  
Notes from a Convict Criminology Experiment

**Chloe Peacock**

The violence of ignorance:  
Unknowing, state killings and the criminalisation of dissent

#### Panel B Theorising technology in studies of deviance and social control (moderated by James Whitfield)

**Florencia Valentina Maldonado, Michell Gutiérrez and  
Aleida Luján Pinelo**

Punishment in cases of cultural marriages in peripheral  
realities from a decolonial feminist approach

**Sanja Milivojevic**

Creating alternative criminological futures

**James Whitfield**

The Role of Technologies in 'Civilising' Violence

#### Panel C Migration, digital and biotechnological colonialism, and resistance to it (moderated by Andrea Beckmann)

**Andrea Beckmann**

In praise of critical pedagogy:  
empowering people and fostering social justice in the  
context of critical criminology and abolitionism

**Hanna Scott**

Textbook activism?  
Teaching migration law to social workers

**Yana Sanko**

Navigating Overlapping Gazes within Refugee Journey

### 11:15 – Keynote session by Keith Hayward

#### Criminology and the smart city paradigm: 'preventative technical imaginary' or 'Techclash' vector?

### 12:15 – Break

## DAY 3: Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

### 12:30 – Session 2

#### Panel A The impact of technology on bodies, genders, genes, and biological worldviews (moderated by Juho Aalto)

**Stefano Mazzilli Daechsel**

DNA Computers and Other Biotechnologies  
of Genetic Control

**Pierre de Thier**

Body modification:  
Always on the line of flight

**Juho Aalto**

BinaryTech - A methodology for unveiling binary  
inequalities

#### Panel B Aesthetic Techniques and Technologies of (In)Justice (moderated by Andrew Jefferson)

**Andrew M. Jefferson**

In search of lived experiences of justice:  
A tentative enquiry into the aesthetics of organizing  
against punishment

**Charlie Barnao**

Torture and Prisons in Italy

**Alan Norrie**

Prison Technologies, Aesthetic Experience,  
Hate and Love

#### Panel C Migration, digital and biotechnological colonialism, and resistance to it (moderated by Eleni Dimou)

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**Jukka Könönen**

Fear of small numbers and hybrid threats:  
A state of exception at the longest EU external border

**Eleni Dimou**

Disrupting the Epistemocidal, Genocidal and Ecocidal Logic  
of Coloniality in Criminology:  
a call for Zemiology

### 13:45 – Lunch break (until 14:30)

## DAY 3: Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

### 14:30 – Session 3

#### Panel A The impact of technology on bodies (moderated by Daniel Jiménez-Franco)

**Tanya Serisier**

Social Media and the Militarisation  
of Sexual Violence:  
Understanding #BelieveIsraeliWomen

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**Daniel Jiménez-Franco**

The Palestinian Paradigm, chapter II:  
Start-up Genocide

#### Panel B Aesthetic Techniques and Technologies of (In)Justice (moderated by Christina Pantazis)

**Christina Pantazis, Magda Mogilnicka,**

**Natasha Carver, Saffron Karlsen  
and Hannelore Van Bavel**

Responding to FGC/M in the UK African diaspora:  
prioritising criminalisation over care

**Henrique Carvalho**

Love, Hate, Beauty and Justice:  
Affective and Aesthetic Economies of UK Drill  
and its Criminalisation

**Vasja Badalič**

Liberal “Defensive” Imperialism:  
The Normalization of Preventive War

#### Panel C Capital and the technologies of war (moderated by Keith Hayward)

**Alex Dymock**

Psychedelics and the Search for Enchantment  
in the Ruins of Capitalism

**Anastasia Chamberlen**

Drawing the politics of pain and injustice in prison:  
Prisoner arts as affective political expression

**Renata Salecl**

Psychological and physical threats from the air:  
a demand for a new human right

### 15:45 – Closing of the conference

## Energy and Technology Museum floor plan



## The venue

In line with the conference theme, this year's venue is the Museum of Energy and Technology in Vilnius, Lithuania. Situated by the riverside in the former early industrial district, it is housed in the building of the city's first power station, which had operated from 1903 to 1998. It is one of the most interactive museums in the city, and the rooftop terrace offers stunning views of Old Town landmarks.

**Address:** Rinktinės str. 2, 09312 Vilnius

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