

# Deaths in prison: understanding and reducing preventable loss of life

26 May 2023, 09:10-10:00 CET | Side event at #CCPCJ32 | Room M6 and online at [bit.ly/deaths-in-prison](https://bit.ly/deaths-in-prison)

Organised by Penal Reform International, supported by Brazil and Finland. Tea, coffee and pastries will be available.

Mortality rates are up to 50% higher in prisons compared to the wider community, linked to a wide range of causes and contributing factors which raise serious concerns for prison management, public health, and human rights. Yet, information on the causes and demographics of prison deaths remains limited, making it difficult to prevent them. This side event will bring together member States, practitioners, and civil society to discuss challenges and best practices in addressing deaths in prisons, in line with international standards.

## PROGRAMME

Opening remarks - César Augusto Vermiglio Bonamigo, Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations in Vienna

Deaths in prison worldwide: Causes, responses, and prevention - Adriana Pou, Researcher, Penal Reform International

Deaths in Chilean prisons: Panorama, diagnosis and proposals - Agustín Walker Martínez, Lawyer, Universidad de Chile

Film screening: Woodhill. A short film. University of Nottingham and LUNG Theatre

Closing remarks - Paulina Tallroth, Ministry of Justice, Finland

Moderated by Olivia Rope, Executive Director, Penal Reform International



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