

Symposium on Restorative Justice and victim-offender mediation Statistics in Europe and Germany

28th of October 2026 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hybrid event which takes place in Bremen and online via BigBlueButton

Hochschule für Öffentliche Verwaltung (HfÖV) Bremen | Doventorscontrescarpe 172 | Room C409

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Programme	Time
1 Welcome and introduction - Opening welcome by Prof. Dr. Arthur Hartmann - Welcome address on behalf of HfÖV Bremen by the rector Prof. Dr. Niclas-Frederic Weisser	10:00-10:30
2 Restorative justice statistics in Europe and the German national VOM-statistics - An introduction to the legal framework and the requirements of international organisations with an insight to recent findings and an overview of Germany's national statistics on victim-offender mediation (VOM) Prof. Dr. Arthur Hartmann - The German VOM dataset: strengths and limitations of data collection spanning several decades – challenges and opportunities; including a comparison with the German police crime statistics Prof. Dr. Arthur Hartmann	10:30-11:45
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3 Taking part in the German statistical survey - Benefits and barriers to deliver statistical data from the perspective of VOM-services in Germany – conclusions from a recent nationwide survey Marie Schmidt - Benefits and challenges of the statistics from the perspective of the Service-Office for VOM in Germany Marianne Ruhnau	12:00-12:30
4 Discussion and closing remarks Concluding discussion, summary and farewell	12:30-13:00