



An online presentation of "Mapping the Victimological Landscape of the Balkans"

Online event – 3rd of November 2021 – 12:00-1:30 PM (CEST)

12:00-12:15 Opening and Welcome

12:15-12:30 Prof. Dr. Gorazd Meško

About the Victimology book

12:30-1:00 Prof. Dr. h.c. mult. Hans-Jörg Albrecht and

Prof. Dr. Anna-Maria Getoš Kalac

About Balkan Criminology and the Victimology book

1:00-1:30 Round table on victimological research, policies and the future of

victim protection in the region

About the book and endorsements:

This timely and comprehensive collection of discussions on victimology, victims of crime and victim protection policies in the Balkans and beyond engages readers with the current state of the art of regional victimology in the Balkans and Central Europe. Original contributions from as many as ten countries of the region analyse the development of victimology, victim protection policies and practices, as well as major areas of victimological research. The main idea of the book at hand is to provide an insight into the complex nature of victimisation in contemporary societies and a deeper understanding of the nature of, and responses to, victimisation in the context of the criminal justice system and civil society. Chapters about the recent developments of victimology in *Albania, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, and Turkey* reflect on cultural victimology and contextualisation of victimology and victimological thought from a broader societal perspective. More importantly, the chapters thus present, for the first time, a comparative and contextual account of regional contributions to present-day victimology.

"With this volume of essays, Balkan victimology is firmly put on the international map. Both governments and researchers have their work cut out for them in strengthening victims' rights across the region."

Jan van Dijk, winner of the Stockholm Prize in Criminology 2012 fellow of the NSCR in Amsterdam, The Netherlands

"This pathbreaking book documents how politics, culture and development matter for the status of victims in a society, and the extent to which their protection and support is a priority."

Wesley G. Skogan, Northwestern University, USA