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## Putting victims' rights into practice

### How to implement EU directive on victims' rights across the EU

Brussels, 26th November 2012, 14.00-18.30  
European Parliament, Room ASP1G2

Dear Chair Simon Emil Ammitzbøll,

I am delighted to extend a very warm invitation to you to attend our keynote event on the rights of victims of crime in Europe. This is an historical moment for justice in the EU and for victims of crime with the adoption of the Directive establishing minimum rights for victims.

The event will be held in the European Parliament and will include experts from across Europe, providing expert input and recommendations regarding the practical implementation of the EU Directive. Particularly, it will focus on the areas where Member States have expressed concern during the negotiations and where additional practical information will be of use to ensure that victims can access the rights in practice. The Seminar is aimed at Member States' representatives, Members of the European Parliament, judicial practitioners and victim support providers, envisioning a better cooperation between the different entities, discussion of hot topics and promotion of an understanding that can bring about change to the current status of victims' rights.

In the event that you will not be able to attend this event, we would be delighted to welcome to this conference a member of the Gender Equality Committee of the Folketinget that you might wish to designate to represent your parliamentary committee.

We hope to see you on the 26<sup>th</sup> of November to discuss the national implementation of stronger rights and services to victims of crime.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David McKenna".

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