

## **Transfer of Probation Supervision between Member States: An EU Initiative**

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**Summary:** At the end of last year a new mechanism was initiated within the EU which will come into effect in December 2011 across all Member States. Orders for probation supervision will then be able to be transferred to another Member State for implementation. The principal features of this legal instrument are outlined, with some comments on the wider context and on how probation agencies should approach the issue.

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