



4th International FJC Conference

Intimate terror, a very severe form of gender-based violence

17 January 2022 > 9.00-17.00 – De Doelen, Kruisplein 30, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

18 & 19 January 2022 > Possibility for 3 study and work visits to [Filomena](#), [Sterk Huis](#) and [Fier](#)

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The 4th International Family Justice Center Conference is organized by the European Family Justice Center Alliance, the City of Rotterdam, Veilig Thuis Rotterdam-Rijnmond, Filomena (Center Domestic Violence and Child Abuse, Rotterdam-Rijnmond), Fier and Sterk Huis.

The 1-day conference focuses on **'Intimate terror'**, a very severe form of gender based and domestic violence. Intimate terror has a major impact on victims and their children. In the approach of domestic violence, we notice that intimate terror often last for a long time and that continuity in the approach is not always guaranteed. Intimate terror is characterized by large imbalance of power in the relationship and by compulsive control of one partner over the other, by restricting freedom, isolating and using severe physical and psychological violence, including sexual violence. The victim and the children constantly feel threatened and unsafe.

The conference will give forum to plenary speeches

from distinguished guests and break-out sessions by (inter)national experts focusing on intimate terror and coercive control from different perspectives: victims, children and perpetrators. The speakers will go into the dynamics, consequences, how to recognize and acknowledge intimate terror ...

From the U.K. **Prof. Jane Monckton-Smith**, international recognized for her groundbreaking work on coercive control, will provide a keynote and break-out session.

Our colleagues from the U.S. Alliance for Hope, [Gael Strack](#) and [Casey Gwinn](#), founders of the FJC model, will share their international experiences on intimate terror, coercive control and Non-Fatal Strangulation.

- *Language: English*
- *A COVID Safe Ticket is required for the conference in accordance with the in the Netherlands applicable measures.*
- *SKJ-accreditation has been requested.*

TARGET GROUP

The international conference is aimed at a wide audience -on local, national and international level- of professionals who work on gender-based violence, domestic violence and child abuse, from the police, the judiciary, women's aid, victim support, social services, youth care, child advocacy, the medical sector, mental health sector, restorative justice, perpetrator programs, academic sector, universities and research, training centers, authorities, EC mandates ...



Filomena



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Registration fee:
€ 245,00

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PROGRAMME

Monday 17 January 2022

8.30	Registration
9.00	Warming-up <i>by Bert Groen and Pascale Franck, European Family Justice Center Alliance</i>
9.15	Welcome <i>by Alderman Judith Bokhove of hosting City of Rotterdam, responsible for Mobility, Youth and Language</i>
9.30	Voices: the stories of survivors of intimate terror: this message is our key!
9.45	The importance of recognition and acknowledgement of intimate terror <i>by Katinka Lünemann, sr. researcher and coordinator of the program 'Violence and Safety in Families' within Verwey-Jonker Instituut the Netherlands</i>
10.05	Intimate terror and the implications for developing effective policies <i>by Mattias Gijsbertsen, director of the Dutch national Program 'Geweld Hoort Nergens Thuis' (Violence doesn't belong anywhere) of the national departments and local government</i>
10.20	Filomena, a new one-stop shop approach to combat domestic and sexual violence in both children and adults <i>by Christine Clement, coordinator of Filomena Center Domestic Violence and Child Abuse</i>
10.35	Coffee and possibility to talk to each other
11.00	Messages from Karen Vandekerckhove, head of unit Gender Equality European Commission and Monika Queisser, head of Social Policy OECD
11.20	Coercive control and dangerous relationships <i>by Jane Monckton-Smith, professor of public protection at the University of Gloucestershire and author of the book 'In Control. Dangerous relationships and how they end in murder'</i>
11.50	Intimate terror and coercive control, international experience from the Family Justice Centers <i>by Casey Gwinn, President of U.S. Alliance for Hope International</i>
12.10	Non-Fatal Strangulation and intimate terror <i>by Gael Strack, Chief Executive Officer of the Alliance for Hope International and U.S. national expert on domestic violence and strangulation</i>
12.30	Lunch and opportunity to network
13.30	Testimonials from survivors, an impressive contribution from the Belgian documentary on partner violence 'Als je eens wist ... partnergeweld' <i>by Hilde van Mieghem, documentary producer and film director</i>
14.00	The Power of Hope and Empowerment: the core of trauma-informed care that makes the difference <i>by Casey Gwinn & Gael Strack, U.S. Alliance for Hope International and founders FJC model</i>
14.30	Parallel Break-out sessions, choice can be made between: <ul style="list-style-type: none">A In control. Dangerous relationships and how they end in murder <i>by Jane Monckton-Smith (expert coercive control in relationships) and Susan Haile (expert in intimate homicide) • LANGUAGE: ENGLISH</i>B Intieme terreur: werken met slachtoffers <i>by Ilona Brekelmans en Saskia de Veld (beiden GGZ-psycholoog) • LANGUAGE: DUTCH</i>C Intimate terror: working with perpetrators <i>by Arno van Dam (professor antisocial behaviour, psychiatry and society at Tilburg university) and Sander van Arum (expert in multi-agency and attachment relationship focused response to domestic violence at Foundation Civil Care) • LANGUAGE: ENGLISH</i>D Trauma informed care for children affected by domestic violence and child abuse <i>by Casey Gwinn (President of the Alliance for Hope International) • LANGUAGE: ENGLISH</i>E Psychopathologie en intieme terreur <i>by drs. Marina Reijns (klinisch psycholoog/psychotherapeut, incl. Kinder en Jeugd) • LANGUAGE: DUTCH</i>F 50 jaar: van vertrouwensarts inzake kindermishandeling naar centrum huiselijk geweld en kindermishandeling <i>by Rob Bilo & Nens Coebergh (beiden Vertrouwensarts Veilig Thuis Rotterdam-Rijnmond) • LANGUAGE: DUTCH</i>
16.45	Closing session
17.00	Time for sharing with friends and colleagues enjoying a drink and a treat (TILL 18.30)

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STUDY- AND WORK VISITS TO THE DUTCH FJCS

Tuesday 18 January & Wednesday 19 January 2022

Following the conference, there is the possibility, for a limited number of guests, to participate in one or more study and work visits. Three centers in the Netherlands open their doors for exchange and sharing their specific expertise in tackling violence in relationships and intimate terror.

TUESDAY 18 JANUARY 8-10AM

Breakfast session @ Filomena, Center for Domestic Violence and Child Abuse, Rotterdam-Rijnmond

Learning about the brand-new Center Filomena: a multidisciplinary partnership in the field of domestic violence, child abuse and sexual violence, working closely together under one roof, in a one-stop shop setting. The cooperators of Filomena will share their vision and approach, and exchange knowledge with the participants.

TUESDAY 18 JANUARY 12-16PM

Visit @ Sterk Huis, Tilburg

Sterk Huis provides a warm and safe place for women, children and men who are victims of domestic violence, child abuse, sexual violence, honor related violence and human trafficking. The participants will get to know the women's shelter and the variety of possibilities provided. The team members will share their knowledge and experience and are also very curious to exchange experience with the participants.

WEDNESDAY 19 JANUARY 12-16PM

Visit @ Fier Friesland, Leeuwarden

Fier offers assistance to children, young people and adults who are, or have been, confronted by violence such as domestic violence, sexual violence or honor related violence. The study- and work visit will give a deeper insight in the work of Fier: f.e. the anonymous shelter Blijf, the psycho trauma center that is specialized in diagnosing and treatment and the Center for Child Human Trafficking.

The EFJCA will provide transport (Bus) to Sterk Huis (Tilburg) and Fier (Leeuwarden), from Rotterdam. The hours of depart will be communicated to the participants.