Special Issue

Ambitions and Critiques of Restorative Justice Post COVID-19

Message from the Guest Editor

Thank you for your interest in this Special Issue on ambitions and critiques of restorative justice. The COVID-19 pandemic, the changes that should be anticipated in relation to justice and criminal justice will be unprecedented. For financial, political or health and safety-related reasons, criminal justice institutions such as prisons, courts and probation must be reviewed. Restorative justice has appeared in many forms around the world, with some jurisdictions welcoming it through their formal justice systems and legislation. As the evidence is still accumulating and the debate on the contribution of restorative justice continues, this Special Issue will look back but also into the future to identify key critiques and ambitions for its theory and practice. This Special Issue will reflect on both normative and practical matters. We are particularly interested in views that explore the role of restorative justice in future policymaking and justice practice, whether within or outside the criminal justice system. Research papers, opinion pieces, commentaries, proceedings and book reviews related to the topic will all be considered.

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