

ANNUAL REPORT

on the activities of the National Institute of Criminology (OKRI) in 2011

I. UTILISATION OF RESEARCH RESULTS

A significant component of the work at the Institute is the utilisation of research results; considerable attention was devoted to it in this reporting period as well. The research output may be utilised by participating in the drafting of theories, and the presentation of research results in education - in the further training of junior prosecution staff and clerical workers and in universities and colleges as well as post-graduate courses. Our research results also assisted our involvement on request in the codification and statutory interpretation activities of the General Prosecutor's Office. The professional prestige of researchers enhanced the proficiency and awareness of magazines where they appeared as authors, editors or proofreaders as well as the scientific organisations in which they participated. Our researchers expressing their views in the media also played an important role in informing the public by presenting our results, approaches and opinions in broad circles in the course of the current year as well.

1. Presentations

The Institute's researchers held altogether **169 lectures** at various conferences and professional fora in 2011, slightly more than the previous year. The number of presentations delivered in foreign languages increased by a delightful one-third: **52** of the lectures were held **in foreign languages**, and **27** were delivered **abroad**. (We note that the aggregate number of lectures does not include lectures delivered on an ongoing basis and in the framework of regular education activities.)

Requests for **leading conference sections** imply professional recognition and assumes professional skills. During the reporting year, the Institute's researchers were asked to head conference sections **11 times**, of which **two** were at **foreign-language** conferences.

2. Publications

During the reporting year, researchers published altogether **78 publications**, of which **seventeen** were in **foreign languages**. Of the latter, **nine** were published abroad. The number of publications increased steadily and continuously in the course of the past few years: in 2009, twice as many scientific works were published by us than two years before. This growth was not expected to be continued, particularly not without any quality impairment. The number of studies published in 2010 was already lower than in the previous year, and this trend prevailed in the reporting period as well. Reasons included a considerable drop in the age of the Institute's researchers, the departure of some key senior researchers earlier, and five researchers left the Institute during the reporting year (two by mutual agreement and three went to the Prosecutor General's Office). The quantity of publications is not expected to increase significantly next year, either. We plan to implement a new quality assurance system in the Institute from 2012, the primary goal of which is to progress in terms of quality rather than quantity, as regards both the work and publications.

OKRI's researchers published *one monograph and six book chapters*, and were authors of *26 studies published in scientific magazines and seven conference brochures* this year. In addition, *11 papers* were published in the *Kriminológiai Tanulmánykötet (Volume of Criminology Studies)*, and *21 studies* were published *online and in popular information publications*. Unfortunately, fewer of our research results were published in fora considered "more valuable" by professionals during the reporting period. It is an increasingly characteristic phenomenon that some part of professional periodicals are not published in a printed form: they are only available on the world wide web. It is therefore fortunate that the researchers of the Institute also exploit the flexible publication opportunities provided by the internet.

This year, 16 publications were released on the Internet, and another five in popular information publications. Our staff received requests to *edit* various professional volumes *six* times this year.

(Please note that publications listed by the staff of the Institute as *co-authors* or *co-editors* are listed as a *single publication*. In our opinion, regardless of the fact that a book or study is the result of joint efforts by a number of authors from the Institute, it may be considered as a single publication - volume or study - at the Institute's level. It is also indicated that the *journalism* type writings by OKRI's researchers are not included in publications but as *press appearances*, as earlier.)

3. Involvement in domestic and international project proposals and professional cooperation

Five research applications were submitted during the reported period. Some of them were proposals applying for domestic research funding (National Scientific Research Fund - OTKA), or for various EU research programmes, submitted as consortium partners jointly with foreign partners.

1. We participated in the international research entitled "***Mediation and restorative practices in prison settings (MEREPS)***" as a consortium member in the framework of the EU's Criminal Justice programme. The consortium leader was the Foresee research team, and OKRI participated in the project together with Independent Academic Research Studies (UK), Hochschule Für Öffentliche Verwaltung Bremen (Germany), the Bremen Mediation Service (Germany) and the European Forum For Restorative Justice. In the course of the research co-operation, questionnaires were applied to 200 detainees, 100 young detainees (between ages 18 and 21) and 100 adult convicts, and in-depth interviews were conducted with 60 people. Researchers organised eight professional focus groups in the reporting year.
2. We submitted a successful EU COST Action application entitled "***Offender Supervision in Europe***" (registration number: IS1106). The research cooperation term is between 2012 and 2016. Representatives of OKRI and the Justice Service of the Ministry of Public Administration and Justice will take part in the COST Management Committee.
3. We submitted an application to the Hungarian Scientific Research Fund in collaboration with the ELTE University Faculty of Law entitled "***Football and crime - analysis of the treatment of criminal behaviours associated with football and fandom in domestic legal policy and social policy***". Though the merits and usefulness of the application were recognised, the research plan received no support due to a lack of funding.
4. "***Leaving a criminal career: the possibility of re-integration and desistance for convicts finishing their imprisonment***" was a research application submitted independently to the Hungarian Scientific Research Fund. The sponsor provided no funding for implementation due to lack of funds.
5. We submitted a successful application entitled "***How to develop the peacemaking circle model in individual countries in compliance with the principle of lawfulness***" in collaboration with the University of Tübingen and the Catholic University of Leuven.

4. Involvement in professional organisations

Professional recognition of researchers at the Institute is indicated by requests to participate in the work of various professional organisations and bodies, and effective contributions thereto. Most researchers are members and/or officers of one or more Hungarian or international organisations having a profile associated with research topics.

In 2011, the Institute's staff took part in the work of the following professional bodies:

- Institute of Applied Social Research Public Benefit Foundation (ATKA) *chairman of the board*
- Foundation for the Development of Criminal Forensic Activities *representative*
- COST A21 Management Committee *member*
- ESZTER Foundation and Ambulance *leader, staff member*
- EU Crime Prevention Network (EUCPN) *scientific liaison officer, deputy national member*
- European Expert Network on Terrorism Issues *member*
- European Forum for Restorative Justice *member*
- European Journal of Probation, Editorial Board *member of the editorial*
- European Society of Criminology (ESC) *member*
- National Board Against Counterfeiting (HENT), "Working group against counterfeiting works of culture" *secretary*
- Independent Academic Research Studies (IARS) *member*
- Infocommunication and Law, professional magazine *member of the editorial*
- International Society of Criminology (ISC) *member*
- International Society of Criminology, Scientific Committee *committee member*
- Expert Body on School Violence Research *member*
- Faculty Acta (ActaFacultatis Politico-Iuricae Univ. Sc. Budapestiensis) *member of the editorial board*
- Hungarian Accreditation Committee *expert on commission*
- Hungarian Prison Service Society *member*
- Hungarian Association of Law and Political Sciences *founder member*
- Association of Hungarian Lawyers for the European Criminal *secretary general*
- Hungarian Society of Criminology *deputy chairman, member of*
- Hungarian Criminology Society, Restorative Justice Section *deputy chairman, member*
- Hungarian Society of Criminology, Victimology Section *member of the Bureau*
- Hungarian Association of Police Science *member*
- Hungarian Association of Police Science, Migration Section *member of the Bureau*
- Hungarian Police Museum Friends' Circle Cultural Society *member*
- Miskolc Legal Review Advisory Council *member*
- Public Board of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences *member*
- SLYFF Society of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences *member*
- Hungarian Society for Urban Planning City Security Action *member*
- International Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorate Programme (Doctorate in Global and Cultural Criminology) *Hungarian coordinator*
- Police Hungarian Public Security Foundation *Supervisory Board member*
- Safer Internet Plus Hungarian Consortium *member of the advisory*
- Committee Reviewing Sports Events in Terms of Security *representative of the Prosecutor General's Office*

- Ügyészek Lapja (Prosecutors' Journal)
- Hungarian Association of Prosecutors

*language editor
member*

5. Education

An important part of research work is to pass on the knowledge acquired. With the Director's prior permission, the Institute's researchers continuously provided education throughout the reporting period.

OKRI researchers regularly teach at the PhD School and Master's courses on criminology of ELTE University's Faculty of Law and Political Studies, Pázmány Péter University of Sciences, Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church's Faculty of Law and Political Sciences, St. Stephen University and the College for Police Officers. Researchers were also commissioned to take part in performing the education tasks of prosecutor training.

6. Media appearances

Our records indicate that the Institute's researchers were featured in printed and electronic media as experts altogether **229** *registered* times in 2011. (As regards media appearances, it should be emphasised this year as well that we are unable to give a comprehensive report on the statements made, interviews given by and other media appearances by OKRI researchers. Appearances are collected primarily by the researchers themselves.)

Of these appearances, **36 instances** were in the printed press,

51 instances were on radio,

67 instances were on television channels, and

75 instances were on the internet.

The distribution of media by type is slightly different - reflecting changes in the viewing indicators for media platforms. Appearances are increasing in electronic media, the type that plays an increasingly important role, as a result of which there is a reduction as regards printed press. The number of media appearances fluctuates because individual topics are covered by more than one medium.

II. DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN RELATIONS

The indicators for domestic and international relations include participation in conferences, lectures delivered at various domestic and international conferences, education and positions, memberships and participation in various organisations.

1. OKRI's domestic relations

The Hungarian relations of the Institute were similar to those in previous years in general. The application of the focus group qualitative research methodology strengthened our professional relations also in the reporting year by virtue of establishing direct working relations with external professional operators.

Cooperation was the closest again with the General Prosecutor's Office and with the prosecution apparatus in general. This year, seven research exercises included in the work plan were directly commissioned by the Prosecutor General's Office, of which six were completed

and one failed to take place because the researcher was transferred to the prosecution organisation.

Our researchers traditionally participate in the work of higher education institutions; many of them hold university positions. (Ferenc Irkl earned Dr. Habil. title at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences, Janus Pannonius University of Sciences in Pécs, and Klára Kerezi earned a similar title at the same faculty of ELTE.) The Institute's staff participated in higher education as follows during the reporting period:

- ELTE Faculty of Law and Political Sciences (*Petra Bárd, Andrea Borbíró, Szilvia Gyurkó, Klára Kerezi, Tibor Zinner*)
- Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church's Faculty of Law and Political Sciences (*Ádám Mészáros*)
- Pázmány Péter University of Sciences, Faculty of Law and Political Sciences (*Erzsébet Tamási*)
- CEU (*Petra Bárd*)
- St. Stephen University (*Szilveszter Póczik*)
- Jesuit Roma Special College (*Szilveszter Póczik*)

In 2011, researchers attended **142** conferences, round table or professional discussions held in Hungary where they delivered **presentations**, and attended another **93** domestic and international conferences without presenting.

2. OKRI's international relations

International relations play an important role in the life of research institutes. International relations provide researchers with feedback, and it also helps to evaluate OKRI's research activities, considering that invitations to take part in international projects, joint applications, or offers to publish in renowned international professional magazines all imply that the international scientific community continuously "measures" and evaluates OKRI's research activities and professional accomplishments.

The National Institute of Criminology celebrated the 50th anniversary of its foundation in 2010 in a way worthy of its work. Thanks to the conference that had resonated with the profession internationally, we were invited to take part at the conference celebrating the 30th anniversary of HEUNI, the European Criminology Institute of the UN.

The intensity of the Institute's international relations increased perceptibly during the reporting year. *Dr. Karim Ismaili*, professor of criminology, Dean of Kennesaw State University (Georgia, USA) visited our Institute for the purpose of establishing relations. *Julia Szendro* of John Jay College (New York) arrived on a one-year Fulbright Foundation grant. Her research is about a comparative analysis of juvenile justice.

Roderick Hill of the Crime Prevention Department of the United Kingdom Home Office also contacted the Institute in the reporting year; he is set to lecture our researchers on two issues in 2012, under the titles *Victims' Experiences of Court* and *Contemporary Criminal Justice Issues in England & Wales*.

We received an inquiry concerning a student's study trip from the Criminology Institute of Leiden University, and *Anthony Amatrudo*, head of the Criminology BA Programme of the University of Sunderland's Faculty of Education and Society, held lectures in the framework of OKRI's professional further training in April 2011, under the title *Criminal group(s): the idea of responsibility and culpability criminal policy and democratic society*.

International partners invite OKRI as a consortium member for EU applications with increasing frequency. During the reporting year, the Institute's staff were included in international research applications (see section III.3).

In July 2011, Katalin Parti and György Virág attended a joint workshop on treatment programmes for perpetrators of sexual crimes at the Max Planck Institute of Freiburg. The *Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law* is conducting a longitudinal impact analysis to assess the personality traits and special needs of perpetrators receiving treatment, and the actual impact of treatment programmes. Though similar programmes are not available in an organised form in Hungary at the moment, we started to assess obstacles and conditions, and to map the existing treatment programmes available while serving sentences, in the hope of being able to implement a joint research programme with the institute.

Klára Kerezsi was appointed as honorary senior lecturer of the University of Kent (UK) in 2011, when she was also elected as a member of the Academic Board of Studies, the managing body of the English-language Erasmus Mundus Doctorate in Cultural and Global Criminology (DGCG) programme. Andrea Borbíró also assumed a significant role in organising the European doctorate programme, and OKRI is one of the on-site training locations for the programme.

OKRI's researchers delivered **27 presentations abroad** in conferences, at workshops or expert discussions. They delivered altogether **52 presentations in foreign languages**.

They attended eight international conferences without presenting and two staff members headed conference panels. Most conference participations were covered by researchers from their grants and other funds or were financed by the inviting party, but even the General State Prosecutor's Office provided funding for participation at conferences abroad on several occasions.

The Institute is a research location with traditionally good international relations. One of the Institute's oldest and best functioning relations is with the *Max Planck Institute* of Freiburg, with which the exchange of experience and information and the organisation of joint conferences has been working well for decades, and the institute has received and is receiving several of OKRI's researchers with *grants*. In the reporting year, Ferenc Irkl, Katalin Parti, Imre Szabó and György Virág were invited as *guest researchers* and/or grants for research at Max Planck Institute. Tibor Zinner conducted research in the Vatican Archives in Rome in December 2011, while Szilvia Gyurkó represented our Institute and participated in a scientific conference in Warsaw, invited by the *Nobody's Children Foundation*.

The international reputation of the Institute can be established by *cross-border research projects* besides appearances at international conferences. During the reporting year, we took part in the MEREPS international application submitted and awarded in 2008 and which commenced on 16 March 2009. We have continuous professional cooperation and information exchange with BKA, Germany's Federal Criminal Office, on the topic of combatting international organised crime. The cooperation encompasses two topics: (1) comparison of international organised crime, and (2) development of the European Expert Network on Terrorism Issues (EENeT).

We often receive *international delegations organised by the Prosecutor General's Office*. The delegation from the General Prosecutor's Office of the Russian Federation visited our Institute this April following last year's visit. Representatives of the Russian and the Hungarian Prosecutor General's Offices shared experiences with OKRI's researchers on the *jurisdiction of the prosecution organisation*.

III. LIBRARY INFORMATION

Our website makes our library's stock of publications and magazines publicly available with the help of our library database. Our Intranet Newsletter also provides information to colleagues about new developments at our library. Researchers are able to become familiar with an increasing number of online professional magazines due to the activities of our staff.

Our newsletter publishes a number of peer newsletters continuously (EFUS, CYBEX, Hungarian Criminology Society, HCSO), in addition to which researchers are informed of national and international events by publishing programme proposals, invitations and opportunities for publication.

Currently, the library has 8,342 inventory units.

Our stock increased by 60 volumes in the year in question - up until 30 November 2011 - of which 13 were received as gifts or in exchange. Thirty-nine of the volumes purchased are international, mostly English-language publications. Another c. 120 volumes received as gifts will be added to the inventory after matching them with existing stocks. The Magyar büntetőjog (Hungarian Criminal Law) 'ring binder edition' and the Jogesetek Magyarázata (Explanation to Litigation Cases) magazines remain available online.

External researchers visited the library 95 times throughout the year. We are still engaged in mutual assistance with the libraries of Rendőrtiszti Főiskola (College for Law Enforcement Officers), of Bűnügyi Szakértői és Kutatóintézet (Hungarian Institute of Forensic Sciences) and the Metropolitan Prosecution Organisation, which improves the flow of information.

The online catalogue subject heading system has been expanded and library records are entered on an on-going basis. Magazine (Belügyi Szemle [Review of Internal Affairs], Börtönügyi Szemle [Prison Digest], Magyar Jog [Hungarian Law], Jogtudományi Közlöny [Legal Gazette]) content is analysed and explored, and this activity will encompass foreign-language magazines as well next year.

Currently, the Institute's library subscribes to the following magazines:

Állam- és Jogtudomány (Political Science and Jurisprudence)	Bírósági Határozatok Tára (Book of Court Decisions)
Belügyi Szemle (Review of Internal Affairs)	Család, Gyermekek, Ifjúság (Family, Children, Youth)
Börtönügyi Szemle (Penitentiary Review)	Magyar Pszichológiai Szemle (Hungarian Psychology Digest)
Fundamentum (Fundament)	Szociológiai Szemle (Sociology Digest)
Jogesetek Magyarázata (Legal Case Explanations)	The British Journal of Criminology
Magyar Jog (Hungarian Law)	European Journal of Criminology
Jogtudományi Közlöny (Jurisprudence Gazette)	Kriminalistik (Criminalistic)
Magyar Tudomány (Hungarian Science)	Kriminologisches Journal
Ügyészségi Közlöny (Prosecution Gazette)	Monatsschrift für Kriminologie und Strafrechtsreform
Magyar Közlöny (Hungarian Gazette)	

IV. INTERNAL CONTINUOUS DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM OF THE INSTITUTE

Renewed and extended internal professional training, organised and executed by the Division of Communication and Education, has been successfully operating for five years.

Our events are often attended by representatives of peer professions. Researchers are interested in the broader outlook offered by the lecturers invited and are increasingly active in the programmes.

As a result of the topics selected and our informative website, an increasing number of ‘outsiders’ can be seen wishing to attend; representatives of various institutions, university students, etc. have indicated an intention to attend lectures. Though we have limited seating space, interested audiences can be received in reasonable cases.

We seek our researchers’ opinion on professional programmes every six months using questionnaires, and also welcome suggestions on lecturers and topics, to be taken into account when organising the programme.

The following activities were held in the Institute’s internal system of further training in the course of the year:

Date	Theme	Presenter/s
19th:January	Skills building	Péter Hack
26th January	Measuring corruption	Dávid Víg
9th February	Skills building II	Péter Hack
16th February	Youth and Substance Abuse	Zsuzsanna Elekes
23th February	Incest and violence	Erzsébet Tamási
9th March	Skills building III.	Péter Hack
16th March	Kádár’s daughters Women and Deviancies in Socialist Era	Eszter Zsófia Tóth
23th March	Historical and Ethnographic Researches	Pál Nagy
30th March	Analysing the crimes against rights of the intellectual properties	Gabriella Kármán, Ádám Mészáros, László Tibor Nagy, Imre Szabó, Szandra Windt
6th April	Dilemmas in Constituting	András Jakab
13th April	Skills building IV.	Péter Hack
20th April	Criminal group(s) the idea of responsibility and culpability Criminal policy and democratic society	Anthony Amatrudo Zoltán Fleck
27th April	Political attitudes, mindset of order and force among colleges students	Szilveszter Póczik
11th May	Skills building V.	Péter Hack
18th May	Political legal culture and mediation in Hungary	Ágnes Gyulavári
25th May	International child abduction cases in Hungary	Szilvia Gyurkó
1st June	Economic dilemma sin Hungary – trends and prognosis	Júlia Király
8th June	Skills building VI.	Péter Hack
21st September	Is Augias’ stable empty? Trespasses and reparations in the 20th century Hungarian political regimes with special focus on the period of 1945-2000	Tibor Zinner

28th September	The relationship of police officers and prosecutors in the 1st phase of criminal procedure	Anna Kiss
5th October	Cooperation/Competition	Márta Fülöp
13th October	Murderer mothers in prison and in mental health institutions	Judit Bíró
26th October	Troyan war horse in my computer? Questions of inline house search	Imre Szabó, Gergely Romhány
2nd November	A prosecutors' approach of Robocop' system	Tibor Szikszay
9th November	The human relations and educational policy of public prosecutors	Istvan Lajtár
16th November	Law enforcement issues of prostitution	Richárd Leyrer
23th November	Nuclear Law in the 21th century with special focus on Fukusima nuclear crisis	Vanda Lamm
30th November	Subculture in detention and inner rules of totalitary institutions	Szilvia Antal, Ágnes Solt
7th December	Criminal Law Codification de lege lata, de lege ferenda	Viktor Vadász
14th December	100 th Anniversary of Birth of István Bibó	Péter Sólyom

V. PUBLICATIONS BY THE INSTITUTE

1. Volumes by the Institute

During the reporting period, the **Institute published/edited four volumes:**

- 1. Kriminológiai Tanulmányok 48. (Criminology Studies 48)** (ed.: Virág, György)
OKRI, Budapest, 2011

The latest tome of Criminology Studies, No. 48, includes research and theoretical reflections on current challenges and tasks involving the discipline of criminology. Our researchers try to find generally applicable answers and publish scientific data and results that help the work of the judiciary by looking into and analysing technological progress, Europe without borders, and the symptoms of postmodern society.

- 2. „Felelősségvállalás, kapcsolat és helyreállítás”. Mediáció és helyreállító igazságszolgáltatás a büntetés-végrehajtásban (“Ownership, relationship and restoration”. Mediation and restorative justice in the penal system)** (Ed.: Barabás, Tünde; Fellegi, Borbála; Windt, Szandra) OKRI, Budapest, 2011

The Hungarian-language volume edited by Tünde Barabás, Szandra Windt and Borbála Fellegi summarises the experience of international research conducted by the authors, and offers their findings for practical application.

- 3. „Adás – Vétel”. Konferencia a prostitúcióról (“Sale and Purchase”. Conference on Prostitution)** (Ed.: Gyurkó, Szilvia)

Electronic publication. OKRI, Budapest, 2011.

On 15 September 2011, OKRI and the Hungarian Sociological Association organised a conference entitled “Sale and Purchase” on the issues of prostitution and trafficking in

human beings. The volume publishes extracts and narratives from the lectures delivered during the conference.

4. OKRI Szemle (OKRI Review) 2011/1. (ed.: Virág, György) Electronic publication OKRI, Budapest, 2011.

The story of OKRI Digest took an unusual turn already by the second volume, as it released the materials presented for the international conference held to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Institute in addition to lectures held in the Institute's internal training system. The ceremonial year brought about special attention paid to the important challenges of the global world; papers concerning the relationship, interaction and (sometimes) competitive relations between freedom, security and law are presented in an overview.

5. Mészáros, Ádám: Büntetőjogi kodifikációk alkonyán és hajnalán. A büntetőjogi felelősség aktuális kérdései (The Dusk and Dawn of Criminal Codification. Topical Issues of Liability under Criminal Law)

In addition to the Institute's publications, Ádám Mészáros's monograph deserves mention, as the Institute assisted the author in the pre-printing work.

2. Newsletter of the Institute

Our Intranet Newsletter provides ongoing information to colleagues on current institutional programmes and library developments ;in addition, attention may be brought to several online periodicals as a result of the individual activities of our researchers.

In addition to Hungarian information, we regularly published news from three 'external' newsletters this year: from the Hungarian publications, from items of interest published in the newsletter of the Hungarian Criminology Society, while from international publications, in the "Criminology Criminal Justice Newsletter" (ed.: Professor Hans-Juergen Kerner) of the University of Tübingen; and in the newsletter of the European Forum for Urban Safety (EFUS) were shared with fellow researchers.

3. The Institute's international brochures

Last year witnessed the launch of a new publication under the title *OKRI Review*. This "Outlook" contains brief reports on empirical research worthy of international interest in English. We plan to provide information on specific research projects twice a year as hard copy as well as in electronic form, uploaded to the Institute's website.

We published issue no. *2011/1* of the *OKRI Review*.

VI. Contacts, popularisation of science

1. Professional focus group discussions

Practical needs are considered important aspects of implementing the Institute's research. Therefore, the use of focus groups as a quantitative method is becoming increasingly typical in research.

In 2011, professional exchanges, including round table discussions, work meetings, workshop debates, focus group discussions, workshops, case discussions, file discussions, etc., took place

28 times. A number of external experts and institutions were represented in the professional discussions including, without limitation, municipal assembly members, social workers and drug prevention professionals, as well as representatives of the Hungarian Prison Service, the police, Ministry of Justice and Public Administration, the Ministry of National Resources and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Two exchanges were held in association with the research on football hooliganism; our researchers first heard the experience of law enforcement bodies, then summed up the opinion of the “opposite party’s” representatives, i.e. of the Hungarian Football Association and of soccer fans, on the issue.

2. Press conferences

1.) **On the victimology research launched in the framework of MEREPS** (*Barabás, Tünde; Windt, Szandra*)

21 March, 2011 - National Institute of Criminology

2.) **Presenting the findings of the research project entitled ‘Crimes infringing intellectual property rights’**

(*Kármán, Gabriella; Mészáros, Ádám; Nagy, László Tibor; Szabó, Imre; Windt, Szandra*)

14 April 2011 - OKRI - National Board Against Counterfeiting (HENT)

3.) **Press conference for the international symposium on combating fraud and bribery in the EU**

5 May 2011 - European Anti-Fraud Office - MAJEB - OKRI (*Barabás, Tünde*)

3. Press releases

1.) **Victim research in Hungary. Unique series of fora, internet questionnaire, new European initiative**

21 March 2011 – OKRI

(*Barabás, Tünde; Windt, Szandra*)

2.) **„Adás – Vétel”. Konferencia a prostitúcióról (“Sale and Purchase”. Conference on Prostitution)**

15 September 2011

(*Virág, György; Gyurkó, Szilvia; Barabás, Tünde*)

4. Conference

„Adás–Vétel”. Konferencia a prostitúcióról (“Sale and Purchase”. Conference on Prostitution)

15 March, 2011 - National Institute of Criminology - Hungarian Sociology Society

(*Virág, György; Gyurkó, Szilvia; Barabás, Tünde*)

5. Other events

In addition to the focus group discussions aligned with the framework of the Institute's research activities, OKRI hosted a number of important professional events during the reporting period:

- Three visits were organised to increase awareness of the Institute, for judiciary assistants, and the pupils of the LIA Foundation School and Berzsenyi Dániel Grammar School.
- PhD candidate Dr. Zsolt Hetessy held both his comprehensive exam and the workshop discussion for his PhD at our Institute.

- We hosted talks by the Hungarian Criminology Society, the Hungarian Sociological Association and the EU Daphne Association.

VII. WEBSITE

Our website is updated continuously. The administration interface is managed by the staff of the Communication and Education Division. Our up-to-date website, updated weekly, offers the following for all those interested, making use of the - nowadays indispensable - benefits offered by the worldwide web:

- reports are published on wide-ranging operations at the Institute (Research, Work Plans, Reports);
- information is provided on an ongoing basis on current domestic and international programmes (Events);
- each of our researchers has an individual personalised interface where they can update their particulars, post their studies and disclose other information;
- our publications are promoted in a separate section recommending literature (Book recommendations);
- insights are provided into the life of the Institute; news is supplemented by photos of memorable events (Current issues at the Institute, Gallery);
- parties interested are assisted by software and other solutions (Publications, Library software), as well as by key data to enhance hits by international search engines (Google, Yahoo, MSNBot etc.);
- the English version of the homepage assists foreigners in browsing;
- several external links now point to our Institute's website in collaboration with an increasing number of partner pages (pl. www.mklu.hu; www.police.hu; www.bvop.hu; www.bunmegelozes.hu; www.cepol.europa.eu; www.kozlekedesbiztonsag.lap.hu; www.rendor.lap.hu; www.kriminologia.hu etc.);
- similarly to 'Criminology Studies', our 'OKRI Review' is fully accessible in electronic version on our website as of 2011.

According to the positive feedback, our homepage is informative and can be properly used; statistical data indicate frequent visits, increasing in numbers year by year.