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1.

I am delighted to be presenting this new issue, which for the first time is appearing under the logo *Criminal Justice Network* – an international project based around a website intended as a worldwide discussion forum for criminal law scholars who share a common cultural background, and face similar issues in their respective legal orders.

*Diritto penale contemporaneo* – *Rivista trimestrale*, founded in 2011 as a sort of boutique for the best papers published daily on the website *Diritto penale contemporaneo*, has since become one of the most renowned Italian legal journals on matters of criminal justice. It is now sufficiently mature to rise to the challenge of becoming an *international* e-journal on criminal justice matters, within the new wider framework of *Criminal Justice Network*.

To this end, our Editorial Board has been extended to several distinguished colleagues from the Universitat de Barcelona – Joan Queralt, Jaume Alonso-Cuevillas, Sergi Cardenal, David Carpio – and the Universidad Diego Portales, Santiago de Chile – Jaime Couso, Héctor Hernández, Mauricio Duce, Fernando Londoño –, who have enthusiastically joined the original members of the board, co-directors of the journal since the very beginning – Gian Luigi Gatta, Luca Luparia, Guglielmo Leo and myself. The group was then further extended to two other Italian colleagues and friends, Francesco Mucciarelli of the Bocconi University, Milan and Antonio Gullo of the Luiss University, Rome.

Starting with this issue, we will welcome papers in all languages familiar to most experts in criminal justice (English of course, but also Italian – the original language of our review –, Spanish, German, French and Portuguese), addressing issues of potential interest beyond national borders. Each paper will be submitted to our peer review process in accordance with international standards; and will then be published in its original language, with title and abstract translated into Italian, Spanish and English.

2.

This issue is dedicated to Joachim Vogel, great criminal law professor whose sudden death, exactly five years ago, profoundly struck so many colleagues and friends all over the globe – including myself, who had the pleasure and honour of meeting him at several international events. I particularly thank Luigi Foffani for his brief but emotional contribution containing his personal recollections; and Alessandro Bernardi for his inspiring review of Vogel's legacy to European criminal law matters – which will surely be read with great interest by all of us who still remember his extraordinary personality, and still regret that a tragic fate prevented him from offering further contributions to the worldwide discussion on the present and future of criminal justice.



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