

# SEMINARIO INTERNACIONAL DE CRIMINOLOGÍA Y POLÍTICA CRIMINAL

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## <<ENCOUNTERING 'THE OTHER': Victim Offender Mediation in Serious Crime. Research findings from the Canadian Context>>

David Gustafson will report on the findings of doctoral research involving the Victim Offender Mediation Program (VOMP) model in use since 1990 in the Canadian Prison context. The study examined cases involving the most serious crimes in the Canadian Criminal Code (ranging from aggravated assault to serial rape and multiple murder) in which prisoners and crime survivors met one another face-to-face in facilitated meetings. The presentation will provide outcome findings in answer to the primary research question: What are the major impacts and outcomes of facilitating dialogue encounters between victims and offenders in crimes involving severe violence? The significance of this study is that it advances research about the use of restorative justice in serious crime, addressing some of the most controversial issues regarding the use of restorative justice in crimes of severe violence including: domestic violence, sexual assault, and situations of disproportionate power involving adult offenders and child victims.

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**16.00 h.  
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