

Name and first name: **CASALE, Silvia**

Date and place of birth: 15/02/1945, United Kingdom

Working languages: English, French, German, Italian, limited Spanish

**Current position/function:**

Sentence Review Commissioner (Northern Ireland)  
Member and President (since 1998) of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture (CPT)  
Independent consultant on criminal justice matters

**Main professional activities:**

CPT visits to places of detention within European Convention for the Prevention of Torture States Parties. High-level talks with authorities in States Parties to the ECPT. Representing the CPT at international meetings, including with the European Commission and other EU organs, ECtHR, ICTY, NATO, OSCE, UNHCHR, UNHCR. Representing the CPT at meetings with ICRC, and with international NGOs such as Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch, as well as many national NGOs. Since 2004 providing advice on the American Bar Association prison standards project (USA). As Sentence Review Commissioner working mainly on recall cases (lifer license revocation). As independent consultant working with HM Prisons Inspectorate on such thematic issues as women's imprisonment, young offenders, suicide and self-harm, race relations and human rights.

**Educational background:**

Yale University PhD Criminology 1978  
MPhil Political Science 1974

University of Pennsylvania MA International Law and Organisations 1971

Oxford University (St Hilda's College) BA Hons. Modern Languages (German, Latin)  
(with one year at Bonn University) Complimentary First 1968

**Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:**

Gave evidence to the National Commission on Safety and Abuse in America's Prisons (USA, 2006). Made contributions in conferences concerning custodial / monitoring issues in Americas, Africa, Asia and Europe, including International Conference on Prison Oversight (USA, 2006); Symposium of Menschenrechtsbeirat [custodial monitoring mechanism] (Austria, 2005); 100<sup>th</sup> Session of Strafvollzugausschuss der Lander [penal oversight committee of federal Lander] (Germany, 2005).  
Trustee of Prison Reform Trust (UK), which includes chairing its Staff and General Purposes Sub-Committee. Trustee of Prison Advice and Care Trust (UK).

**List of most recent publications in the field:**

Since 1998 contributions to CPT visit reports, General reports and standards documents.  
Member of group of international experts writing Making Standard Work. PRI, 1995  
Casale, S. ed. HIV and Custody. Heath Education Authority, 1995  
Casale, S. "Conditions and Standards" in Prisons after Woolf, Player & Jenkins. Routledge 1994  
Casale, S. & Stockdale, E eds. Criminal Justice Under Stress. Blackstone Press, 1992