Plenary Session II

Enigma: Crime and Delinquency in Cyber Era

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Abstract:
In recent years a series of murder cases committed by juveniles have happened in Japan. Although many specialists and experts have tried, it is very difficult to clear causal relationships. As such these cases are expressed as "Explosions of Juveniles". It is thought that social surroundings in Cyber Era exert some influence on juveniles implicitly and explicitly. With a development of Cyber Era, not only behavior patterns of juveniles have changed in general, but also problematic situation of crime and delinquency has changed in particular. In my presentation what kinds of influence and change have occurred are focused and considered. After that countermeasures for the future are examined and suggested.

Biography:
Noriyoshi Takemura is an Associate Professor of Criminology at Toin University of Yokohama, Japan. Since the mid of 90s, he has been studied crimes and their control in the informationalized society and cyber space. In the 12th International Congress on Criminology (Seoul, 1998) he made a presentation titled "The Epistemological Investigation on Internet Crimes and their Control Strategies". In the 14th Annual Conference of the Australian and New Zealand Society of Criminology (Perth, 1999) and the 51th Annual Meeting of American Society of Criminology (Toronto, 1999) he made presentations titled "Crime Information and its Control in Postmodern Society" and "Quest for "Informationology of Crime and Punishment" each. Through a chain of these studies he has been trying to establish "the informationology of crime and punishment." In 2000 he was invited as a individual expert observer to Tenth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, Vienna, 10-17 April 2000. His most recent book is The Epistemology of Crime and Punishment (Shinzansha, 1999, in Japanese).