



Republic of Ireland

Inside Radio

Inside Radio is a new initiative being developed by the founder of the Irish Prison Radio Network, Davin O'Callaghan. It aims to present and produce talk and music-based content for the inmates in the Republic of Ireland via a dedicated channel on the in-cell television streaming service.

During 2020 Davin began developing this prison radio service remotely, but with full support of the governor of Midlands Prison – the largest prison in Ireland.

Inside Radio has been piloting a series of three-hour music based radio programmes for weekend evening broadcast, to offer companionship and late night entertainment after lights out.

As soon as conditions allow, Davin intends to work onsite with the prison's education department to train prisoners in production – adding to the station output.

As soon as is possible, the station hopes to broadcast prisoner-produced content across the weekends, complemented by automated content during the week.

Within three years Inside Radio plans to broadcast 24/7 to all off the 4000+ prisoners in the Republic of Ireland's twelve prisons.

Inside Radio:

- is the first prison radio service in the Republic of Ireland;
 - has received the full support from the prison governor;
 - is exclusively for the inmates and their mental health;
 - aims to offer inmates access and vital communication;
 - supports freedom of speech expression and music;
 - is the missing "connection" in the Irish prison system;
 - brings hope and a sense of self-worth to the inmates.
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