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I am a Director of Dialogue Associates and Programmes Director at Prison Dialogue. I have an MA in Criminology, a BA in PPE, and I am a qualified Social Worker. I have worked with the homeless in inner city London, and with communities in the rural West Highlands of Scotland. Dialogue is now the basis of all of my practice as an interventionist, consult and coach in commercial, public and third sectors. I have led and worked on many dialogic interventions in prisons and correctional systems in the UK and USA.

I became involved in Prison Dialogue in 1999 because I saw dialogue providing a way to address the fragmentation between those living and working in prisons, that leads to misery, frustration, and the loss of opportunity for staff and prisoners alike

Today, I bring my unique experience of Dialogue work in prisons, corrections and the criminal justice system to the continued development of Prison Dialogue, and the ability to work with large groups of prisoners, staff, managers, or executives alike.

I hope that Prison Dialogue will change the way that people think about corrections, about the people who live and work in corrections and how corrections is run internationally. In the short term I envisage an international community of dialogue practitioners, all leading this work.