Prevention systems:
how to transform evidence into practice

Meeting • Réunion	Expert meeting with NFP participation	Date	10-1o October, 2013

Venue • Lieu	Lisbon, EMCDDA headquarters, room 107

Present • Présent(e)(s)	Experts: Participants: Susana Redondo Martin (Castilla y León), Peter Koler (South-Tyrol), Manuel Cardoso (Portugal), Frederick Groeger-Roth (Lower-Saxony), Roman Gabrhelik (Czech Republic), Anders Eriksson (Stockholm), Sławomir Pietrzak (Wrocław), Harry Sumnall (LJMU Liverpool), NFPs, GB, CE, ABO, RSI, interested EMCDDA staff and students from the academic programmes of the EMCDDA.

Introduction

We have now good compilations of evidence in prevention, and a set of minimal standards.

But we have only scarce knowledge about how the evidence in prevention can be applied in prevention policy and from there into prevention practice.

Important determinants - beyond political will and competence - seem to be

- how prevention policies are delivered in organisational terms
- how prevention is funded
- whether quality criteria are linked to funding
- whether the different policy sectors (education, health, youth, criminal justice) properly cooperate
- whether research centres are involved in evaluation and development
- how much policy makers and professionals know about effective principles
- whether effective programmes are available

Objectives of the meeting:

- to discuss the different experiences in European countries and regions of responding to the challenges above under different administrative and cultural conditions.
- to agree on a set of variables (or dimensions) by which prevention systems could be characterised (for example for the prevention profiles).
- to produce a short technical paper and/or similar information on the EMCDDA web site informing about essential, important and accessorial ingredients in building prevention systems that cover - with quality - all domains of behavioural influence, from environmental to indicated prevention.

Agenda – 9 October (all times are approximates)

Chair: Gregor Burkhart

9:30-9:45	RSI	Foreword: introduction to EMCDDA and work programme
9:45-10:10	GB	Introduction of the topic and of participants
10:10-10:30	EDPQ project	Importance of organisational aspects for implementing quality standards in Europe
11:30-11:00	**all**	**Coffee break**

Federal Regions

11:00-11:45	Susana Redondo Martin	Castilla y León (Overall prevention plan, programmes and alcohol strategy)
	all	Short debate
11:45-12.30	Frederick Groeger-Roth	Lower Saxony (Implementation of CTC, '[Green List for Prevention](#)')
	all	Short debate
12:30-13:30	**all**	**Lunch**
13:30-14:15	Peter Koler	South Tyrol (Close cooperation and coordination of all stakeholders)
	all	Short debate

National Level

14:15-15:00	Roman Gabrhelik	Czech Republic (Unified prevention funding and accreditation of programmes and professionals)
	all	Short debate
15:00-15:30	all	**Coffee break**
15:30-16:15	Manuel Cardoso	Portugal (Unified prevention funding and territorial needs assessment)
	all	Short debate
	all	Closing debate: By which variables can we describe prevention systems at country level and make a typology?

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9:00-9:15	all	**Wrap up from previous day**
		National to Local Level
9:15-10:00	Sławomir Pietrzak	Wrocław (Local strategy according to national guidelines)
	all	Short debate
10:00-10:45	Anders Eriksson	Stockholm (Local strategy according to national guidelines)
	all	Short debate
10:45-11:15	all	**Coffee break**
11:15-13:00	all	Essential, important and accessorial ingredients in building prevention systems

What can be done? Under which conditions can quality criteria, standard, funding prerequisites, accreditation or certification be introduced?

How can **context** be characterised? Proposals for a taxonomy of prevention systems

End of meeting