

10 December Programme

- 9:00** *Seminar Registration*
- 9:30** Welcome speech by the Italian authorities
- 9:45** Opening Speech by Counsellor **Patrizia de Rose**, Coordinator of the Department for Anti-Drug Policies, Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Italy
- 10:00** Remarks, **Jan Malinowski**, Pompidou Group Executive Secretary
- 10:15** The Istanbul Convention as a looking glass and a tool box for action, **Simona Lanzoni**, Grevio, Council of Europe
- 10:30** Gender oriented activities in the field of drugs at the national and international level, **Elisabetta Simeoni**, Department for Anti-Drug Policies, Gender Equality Rapporteur, Pompidou Group
- 10:45** Conflicts in the Mediterranean region and the new routes of slave traffickers: the double tragedy of women, **Agostino Miozzo**, General Manager, Department for Anti-Drug Policies, Italy
- 11:00** Violence against children in conflict zones, **Federica Giannotta**, Terre des Hommes, Italy
- 11:15** *Coffee break*
- 11:30** Women, victimization and substance use, **Marilyn Clark**, University of Malta, Malta
- 11:45** Sexual abuse and rape drugs: the need for a protocol, **Elisabetta Bertol**, University of Florence, Italy
- 12:00** Alcohol, medicines and drugs in violence: the results of the VARD (Violence And Rape Drugs) study, **Sabina Strano Rossi**, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy
- 12:15** **Discussion**
- 12:30** *Lunch Break*

- 14:00** Violence among sex workers and drug injecting women in Bratislava, **Iveta Chovancova**, Association Odysseus, Slovak Republic
- 14:15** Violence, women, and drugs, the case of pregnant drug user women in Budapest, **Zsusa Kalo**, Eötvös Lorand University, Budapest, Hungary
- 14:30** Contribution **Danièle Jourdain-Menninger**, Présidente of MILDECA (Interministerial Mission for Combating Drugs and Addictive Behaviours), France
- 15:00** Gendered violence, addiction, and differential harm reduction approaches for women: ethnographic study in Israel's largest open drug scene, **Hagit Bonny-Noach**, consultant for Israel Anti-Drug Authority, Israel
- 15:15** Violence, gender and harm reduction: perspectives from a peer worker, **Madga Ferreira**, Mediator, GAT, Portugal
- 15:30** *Coffee break*
- 16:00** Familial and psychosocial developmental features of women drug users and specific needs for treatment and social reintegration, **Jadranka Ivandić-Zimić**, Office for Combating Drugs Abuse, Croatia
- 16:15** Violence: an added difficulty for women drug users in Egypt, **Noha Sabry**, General Secretariat of Mental Health and Addiction Treatment, Egypt
- 16:30** Integration of gender violence and addiction policy in the National Strategy on Drugs, **Luis Simó**, Government Delegation for the National Plan on Drugs, Ministry of Health, Social Services and Equality, Spain
- 16:45** **Discussion**
- 17:30** *Closure*

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- 09:30** Addiction management and risk and harm reduction services response to violence experienced by women drug users: report of consultation with professionals in four countries France, Italy, Spain and Portugal, **Thérèse Benoit** and **Marie Jauffret-Roustide**, Cermes3-French National Institute for Health and Medical Research, France
- 10:00** **Discussion**
- 10:30** Living the differences: violence, contexts, paths and places of care, **Fiammetta Murgia**, Parsec, Italy
- 10:45** *Coffee-Break*
- 11:00** MALVA project: How to introduce gender in risk and harm reduction drug programmes for women, **Gemma Altell**, Fundación Salud y Comunidad, Spain
- 11:15** Guide for professionals on drug addicted women, **Cécile Bettendorf**, Fédération Addiction, France
- 11:30** Men in substance use treatment and partner violence "capabilities framework for substance use staff, **Gail Gilchrist**, Senior Healthcare Researcher in the Addictions, King's College London, United Kingdom
- 11:45** **Discussion**
- 12:30** *Lunch Break*
- 14:00** Round table: How is gender and violence taken into account in drug policies in France, Italy, Portugal, United Kingdom, Spain? How to integrate the recommendations by the professionals? Moderator: **Meni Malliori**, Athens University, Greece
- 15:00** General Discussion: Lessons to learn from the consultation with professionals, from the sharing of knowledge at the seminar : possible recommendations
- 15:30** Follow up to the seminar, further activities Gender, Social Justice and the Sustainable Development Goals, **Alessandra Liquori O'Neil**, UNICRI
- 16:00** *Closure of the seminar*

Background & Objectives

A 2014 Pompidou Group research project on the gender dimension of the non-medical use of prescription drugs called for a better understanding of the link between drug use among women and violence. This recommendation was followed up by a review of literature on violence (experienced or perpetrated) and use of psychoactive substances by women.

In 2015, the Pompidou Group experts have been digging deeper into the phenomenon by means of a consultation of professionals via focus groups conducted in four countries (France, Italy, Portugal and Spain), that will be presented during the seminar on “women, drugs and violence”. It will bring together professionals in addiction treatment as well as from the field of harm and risk reduction. The seminar will allow to supplement the experts’ report and to make proposals for further action or recommendations.

The objectives of the seminar are:

1. Assessing the situation: how is exposure of women to violence taken into account in risk reduction and addiction treatment systems. Understanding the difficulties encountered by treatment and risk reduction staff and their needs.

2. Making recommendations for addressing more effectively violence involving women addicted to psychoactive substances through examples of services that work or practical guidelines for professionals.

Documents

- “The gender dimension of non-medical use of prescription drugs in Europe and the Mediterranean region.”
- “Violence experienced or perpetrated, and psychoactive substance use among women in Europe and in the Mediterranean region.”
- “The response by addiction management and risk and harm reduction services to violence experienced by women drug users: consultation of professionals

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