



European Monitoring Centre
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Key Epidemiological Indicator: Drug-related deaths and mortality among drug users

2012 meeting of the European expert group

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Practical issues

- Folders
- Documents on the table
- Workshops on Tuesday morning (11.15am) and afternoon
- Presentations
- Coffee breaks: upstairs, lunches: canteen, cocktail: other building
- Please sign the “list of presence”



Overview of the 2012 meeting

- Progresses and activities in the Key Indicator
- Analyses of the data collected: key results in the Annual Report and Statistical Bulletin
- National presentations (data and projects)
 - Experts from more than half of the countries will speaker
 - In addition, through the workshops and discussion, we wish that all have and take the opportunity to talk



3 thematic sessions/workshops

- Mortality cohorts
- Special Registries and deaths related to prescription opioids and medicines
- Deaths related to new psychoactive substances
- Aim
 - to ensure the continuity with previous analytical work
 - to encourage cross indicator and transversal analyses
 - to further analyse data related to new or increasing public health concerns



Ongoing work – the core business

- Maintain and improve reporting for monitoring
 - All 30 countries have updated their OD annual data
 - More countries with both GMR and SR
 - Improvements on cohort studies
- Full assessment of all 5 key indicators in 2012
- Evaluation of the 5 EMCDDA Key Indicators expert meetings: with by Alan Lodwick



Work completed 2011-2012

- Cohort data pooled analysis – 8 countries – ~26000 patients enrolled – ~182000 PY
- Cocaine-related emergencies
 - Mena et al, 2012
 - Draft literature review and report
- Cocaine-related deaths – final report
- Prevention of overdoses – final report
- ‘*Trendspotter*’ meeting on fentanyl Oct 2012 – final report



Work ongoing or planned

- 2012-2013
 - Strategy paper on acute emergency services
 - Report on cohort pooled analyses
 - Prescription opioids and abuse on medicine?
- Other ongoing work
 - Methadone related death and prescription safety
 - Cross indicator analyses e.g POU, injectors and DRD
 - Transversal analyses of DRD/responses to DRD



- All these topics will be presented and discussed during this DRD meeting
- Thanks in advance for your input: questions, suggestions, comments and contributions!

