
INTERLEAVE

AN INTERVENTION TOOLKIT TO DEAL WITH WOMEN DRUG USERS
VICTIMS OF GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

Stop violence
against
women
drug users

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CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS:

Collect good practices questionnaires and
be involved in a study to develop
an intervention toolkit



The **General Objective** of the project is to carry out a comprehensive analysis of the profile and practices developed in the field of women drug users facing Gender-Based Violence, at the international level, with a specific focus on a gender perspective.

Eight organizations are involved in the project: Comunità di Venezia (Italy), Fundación Salud y Comunidad (Spain), Therapieverbund Ludwigsmühle (Germany), Therapiesalonim Wald (Austria), IREFREA (Portugal), Eu-Open (Italy), Zajednica Susret (Croatia), and ENSA (European Network of Social Authorities).

The **Specific Objectives** are to analyze the types and characteristics of gender-based violence experienced by women drug users in the international arena and to develop a toolkit of prevention and intervention.



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Two questionnaires are designed: one aimed at **women drug users** facing Gender-Based Violence, and a second one aimed at **professionals** linked to the subject of the project.

Regarding the **first questionnaire**, information will be collected about the types and characteristics of Gender-Based Violence faced by women drug users: physical, psychological, sexual, economic, obstetric, institutional, and/or symbolic violence.

The **second questionnaire** will investigate the prevention and intervention practices to address the issue, such as prevention and advocacy campaigns, local protocols of action in coordination with the agents of the territory, specific characteristics of the shelter homes, etc.

In the end, both a **qualitative and quantitative analysis** of all the information collected through secondary sources, questionnaires, focus groups, and interviews with key informants will be carried out. The results of this analysis will allow developing an intervention toolkit.

Your local experience would be most valuable:

- To provide additional data filling the questionnaires designed for women and staff (not all questions are mandatory),
- To join the analysis that will be made to implement the intervention toolkit.

The aim is **working together to improve the care offered to women** who use drugs or alcohol and who have experienced some form of Gender-Based Violence in their lifetime.



Hereunder the links to the questionnaires for professionals:

[Survey aimed at professionals Portuguese](#)

[Survey aimed at professionals Croatian](#)

[Survey aimed at professionals Italian](#)

[Survey aimed at professionals Spanish](#)

[Survey aimed at professionals German](#)

We are specifically interested in **contributions from Austria, Germany and Portugal**.
We would be most happy if you could join the efforts of this partnership!

If your service is interested in participating in the administration of questionnaires aimed at women who use drugs, you can contact the reference persons in each partner country.

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Interested to learn more about the project?

Go to <https://fb.watch/8ltK4as4rv/>
and listen to the **interview of Paolo Stocco**,
from Comunità di Venezia!



EU NEWS:



LET'S GET READY: International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women – 25 November.

Hashtags: #GenerationEquality #orangetheworld #16days and #spreadtheword.



Handbook for the Judiciary on Effective Criminal Justice Responses to Gender-based Violence against Women and Girls



Gender-based violence costs the EU €366 billion a year



Make gender-based violence a crime under EU law, MEPs say



Let's put an end to Violence against Women

GREETINGS FROM THE INTERLEAVE CONSORTIUM



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