

Prevalence and patterns of drug use among the general population (GPS)

Annual key-indicator expert meeting 2017

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Introduction to meeting

- As always, this meeting provides an operational platform for methodological development and analyses
- Welcome to the new GPS experts, international experts
- Abstract book sent in advance as requested
- Thank you for all the speakers and chairs



Meeting overview

- Exploring and understanding national differences and the implications for policy and response
- European Overview and international presentations on recent surveys
- Parallel sessions (fill in the attendance list!)
 - Misuse of medicines revision of the EMQ module
 - Cannabis use among ageing European citizens
 - European Web Survey on Drugs: patterns of use
- Cannabis: recent trends and policy developments
- Drug survey methodology: recent studies and new approaches
- Drug use in prison



Monitoring emerging trends in drug use

Dinner











Progress of the indicator

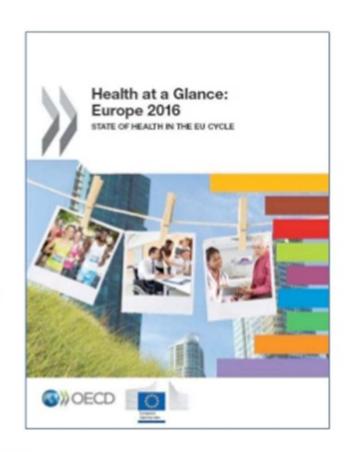
- Improved Statistical Bulletin
- Close collaboration with the ESPAD group
- Focus on non-probabilistic surveys as a complement:
 - European Web Survey on Drugs
 - Project on mapping drug use studies in nightlife settings
- Increased profile in international initiatives: GPS as an European Core Health Indicator, participation in conferences



Progress of the indicator

Health at a Glance: Europe 2016 -State of Health in the EU Cycle

Joint publication of the OECD and the European Commission



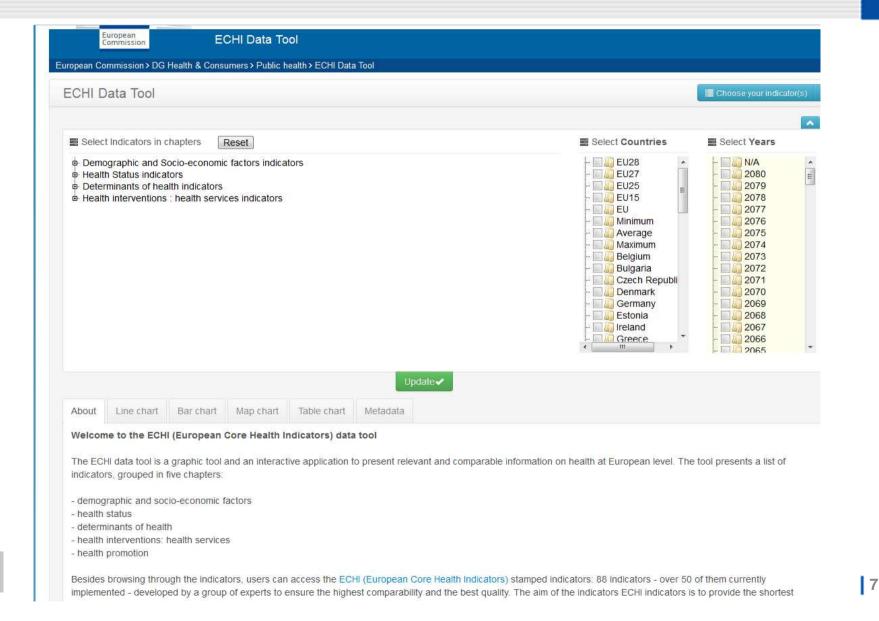
Released on November 23, 2016

http://www.oecd.org/health/health-at-a-glance-europe-23056088.htm





ECHI data tool





Capacity building

- First GPS study launched in
 - Montenegro
 - FYROM
- Preparatory workshop in Bosnia
- Integration in the Statistical Bulletin



European Model Questionnaire (EMQ)

- New Psychoactive Substances (NPS) and perceived availability modules developed within the EMQ and posted online
 - Two questions on perceived availability added to Standard Table 1
 - NPS 'field trial' Rapid Information Requests
- EMQ Alcohol module about to be finalised and sent
- On-going revision on the module on medicines use parallel session
- EMQ standalone document



Measuring 'drug use' in recreational settings in Europe

Quite inclusive... clear geographical pattern

- Studies specifically on nightlife settings assessing drug use levels
- Studies on drug use that highlight use in nightlife settings although not being studies carried out in nightlife settings (e.g. GDS, NPS use study in Poland)
- Studies not specifically on quantifying how many use drugs but that find high levels of use in recreational settings (e.g. wastewater-based epidemiology)
- Part of an integrated approach (e.g. Antenne Netherlands, TREND in France)



'GPS' webpages



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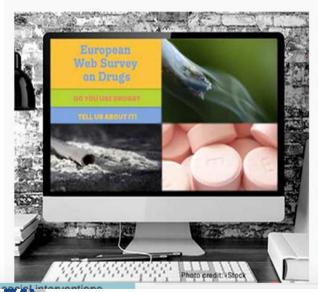
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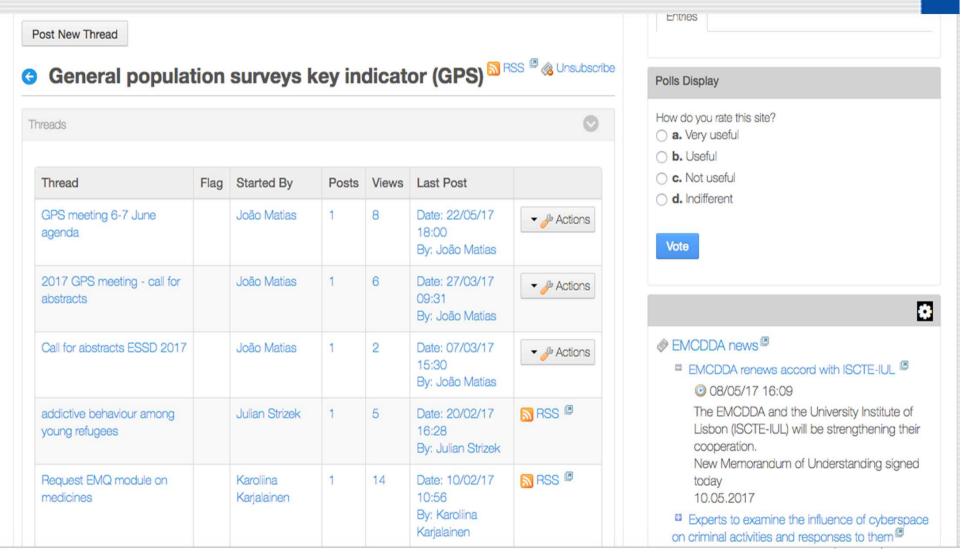


On 6 and 7 June 2017, the EMCDDA will bring together more than forty European and international experts for a meeting on the key indicator Prevalence and patterns of drug use among the general population (GPS). There will be a range of presentations from both EU Member States and other countries, projects and institutions. These regular meetings on the indicator change their focus from year to year. This year, particular attention will be given to methodological developments on the indicator, the link between drug use surveys and drug policies, and

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Network management. Reitox online Forum



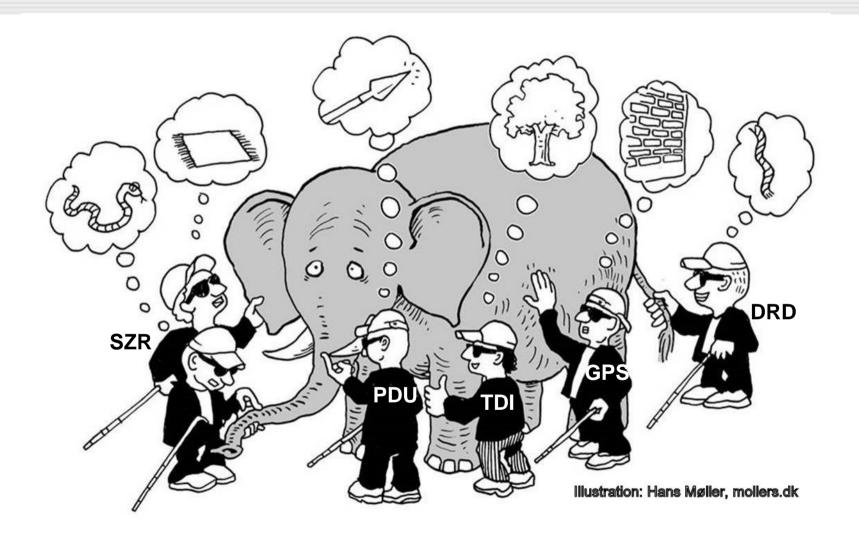


Current and future activities

- GPS as the core component of the indicator
- But complement with targeted surveys (online, nightlife)
- Update the questionnaire mapping -> repository
- Network management, promote the web forum
- Lx Addictions GPS poster for the expert group
- Medium-term revise the GPS Handbook



The epidemiological toolkit. Meeting objective







Thank you

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