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*Strategic European Inventory on Drugs*

## INTRODUCING Net.Ypu

### The European Network on Young Polydrug Users

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## 1. Introduction

This small document aims at presenting briefly

- why the SEID partnership decided to launch the Network on Young Polydrug Users
- how it could be useful for private and public organizations working in the field of young polydrug users
- the network's objectives
- contributions and activities of its members
- membership rules
- next steps
- contacts

At the end of this document you will find

- the Net.Ypu Membership Application Form which you can fill in today or send us in the future via e.mail or fax
- an Info Request Form, in case you are not willing or able to join today but would like to be informed about the network's future activities

## 2. The Network on Young poly-drug Users (Net.Ypu)

The Network on young Polydrug Users can be considered the final step of a cooperation history which started in 2006 during the preparatory phase of the SEID project as well as the first step of a new "venture" which aims at providing an effective and synergic coordination and an efficient communication among European Organizations working on drugs matter with a specific focus on young polydrug users.

The creation of this network has the strategic goal of ensuring that project objectives will be maintained and strengthened also after the end of the project and strengthening European cooperation in the fields of prevention, therapy and care, social inclusion for young poly-drug users.

During the Final Event of the **SEID – Strategic European Inventory** (July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010) the Net.Ypu has been announced by a group of European private and public organizations: FICT (Italy), Regione del Veneto (Italy), Co.Ge.S. (Italy), AIC (Italy), Il Seme (Italy), Asociacion Proyecto Hombre (Spain), Asmoune (France), Fundatia Floarea Ialomiteana (Romania), Institute for Ecology of Cognition (Bulgaria), KETHEA (Greece), REAPN Portugal (Portugal), MONAR (Poland), Tannenhof Berlin (Germany), Trempoline asbl (Belgium).

The network, which is presented in Brussels for the first time, is still an informal organization which will end up its steps towards formalization by august 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010.

## 3. What's in it for my organization?

**Try to find out whether the Network on Young Polydrug Users (Net.Ypu) could be an interesting option for your organization by answering the following questions.**

Is your organization interested in:

- Finding helpful suggestions for the development of initiatives focused on young poly-drug users?
- Understanding what other European countries are doing in this field?
- Exchanging information and experiences with other public and private organizations on intervention options for young poly-drug users?
- Exchange and increase knowledge base of operators working in this field?
- Bundling research results relating to young poly-drug users with the most important related fields of action?
- Arranging study visits in other European countries where initiatives focused on young poly-drug users are run?
- Finding partners for cooperation and the joint development and submission of proposals to a variety of European Union funding programmes

Should the above issues apply to your organization and the clear answer to many of these is 'Yes' you are a candidate member for the Network on Young Polydrug Users and may want to think of joining this European network.

## 4. Objectives

**Net.Ypu aims at being a concrete working platform for public and private organizations. Specifically, its main objectives are to**

- Continuously extend and develop the Network on Young Polydrug Users (Net.Ypu)
- Extend and share the knowledge base on young poly-drug use and correlated issues
- Organize thematic groups and experience exchange workshops on specific issues focused on young poly-drug users.
- Develop transfer mechanisms for the transfer of good practice initiatives and policies between member organizations and beyond
- Organize and manage annual Net.Ypu workshop
- Develop joint communications among members and provide visibility of their initiatives and projects
- Interact and cooperate with the most relevant stakeholders and actors on the fields of interest of the network (prevention, therapy and care, social inclusion)

## 5. Contribution and activities of the Net.Ypu members

**Members are invited to:**

- Participate to the annual workshop
- Actively participate in the work relating to the Net.Ypu topic areas and fields of action
  - Sharing of proposal outlines and proposals to be developed jointly
  - Identification and contact of relevant organisations from within the own region/country which may be interested in joining the network
  - Identification of good practices in the three Net.Ypu topic areas.

The above activities and contributions apply to the following topic areas:

- Topic 1: Prevention
- Topic 2: Therapy and Care
- Topic 3: Social Inclusion
- Prepare an annual profile, based on a structured format, which includes state of the art on the 3 topics as well as initiatives/projects run by the member organization.

Where relevant, members should suggest cooperation agreements or structured synergies between Net.Ypu and running/consolidated projects focused on one or more of the topic areas which may substitute the above listed activities.

## 6. Membership Rules

The Membership is free. Members are invited to contribute to the development of the network as described in paragraph 5. Members may decide during the implementation of the network activities and according to their specific requirements, to ask for fees in case of events, publications, DVDs, etc. which may only be used to cover the costs incurred for their production or arrangement.

Members can sign off the Net.Ypu at any time by sending an e.mail or Fax to the Net.Ypu Secretariat.

## 7. Next Steps

- Design and propose a light organizational structure
- Write and agree on an Internal Regulation Document
- Decide if and, in case, where official registration of the network should take place
- Agree on a few achievable concrete goals for 2011
- Collect membership Forms from organizations not belonging to the SEID partnership
- Identify partnerships and cooperation opportunities with other projects in the same or complementary fields

## 8. Contact for Memberships

The network has in 2010 established an own European Secretariat for the coordination of the network activities. For further information please visit our website at [www.netypu.eu](http://www.netypu.eu), the SEID's project web site [www.seidproject.eu](http://www.seidproject.eu) or contact the European Secretariat: [secretariat@netypu.eu](mailto:secretariat@netypu.eu)

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## Net.Ypu Membership Application Form

I the undersigned apply to become a Member of the Network on Young Polydrug Users. I agree with its objectives (Par. 4 Objectives) and am willing to participate as described in Par. 5. Contribution and activities of the Net.Ypu members.

<b>Organization's full legal name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>City:</b>	
<b>Region:</b>	
<b>Country:</b>	
<b>Contact Person:</b>	
<b>Telephone:</b>	
<b>Fax:</b>	
<b>E-mail:</b>	
<b>URL:</b>	
<b>Topic areas of interest</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prevention <input type="checkbox"/> Therapy and Care <input type="checkbox"/> Social Inclusion
<b>I'm interested in contributing to the definition of the organization structure of Net.Ypu</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>I'm interested in becoming the coordinator of one of the Topic areas of interest</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (please, specify: _____ ) <input type="checkbox"/> No

Date:

Signature:

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## Info Request Form

Please keep my organization updated with the current status of the network's activities.

<b>Organization's full legal name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>City:</b>	
<b>Region:</b>	
<b>Country:</b>	
<b>Contact Person:</b>	
<b>Telephone:</b>	
<b>Fax:</b>	
<b>E-mail:</b>	
<b>URL:</b>	
<b>My organization could be interested in joining the network in the future</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Our topics of interest are:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prevention <input type="checkbox"/> Therapy and Care <input type="checkbox"/> Social Inclusion

Date:

Signature :

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