Risk and Needs Assessment Workshop
12-13 October 2017
Agenda

11 October
Arrival participants

12 October
08:30 – 09:00  Registration and welcome coffee
09:00 – 09:15  Opening host country

Introduction to the purpose of the workshop
Kirsten Hawlitschek, Executive Director EuroPris

Moderator:  Kirsten Hawlitschek

09:15 – 10:30  Risk assessment – why, how often, reliability, quality standards, pros and cons
20 minutes presentation; 5 minutes roundtable discussion; 10 minutes Q&A

Standards and Guidance for Risk Assessment
Prof. Hazel Kemshall, De Montfort University, Leicester, UK

Why we need to abolish labelling
Dominik Lehner, Head Risk Assessment, Swiss Prison Service

10.30 – 11.00  Coffee break

11:00 – 12:40  How is risk assessment organized in Prison Services?
20 minutes presentation; 5 minutes roundtable discussion; 10 minutes Q&A
3 presentations

- How and where to get information for risk assessment
- How and how fast are internal risks estimated
- RA objectives could be contradictory: danger, security vs planning interventions
- When are general and when are specific tools needed
- Which level of expertise is needed to make it reliable
The risk assessment process in the Belgian Prison Service
Astrid Boelaert, Senior Psychologist Central Psychosocial Service

Tailor-made risk assessment tools: The Pros and the Cons
Vaclav Jiricka, Head Psychologist of the Czech Prison Service

From Screening to Clinical Evaluation: Organizing a Comprehensive Risk Assessment in Times of Limited Resources
Prof. Dr. Reinhard Eher, Head of the Federal Evaluation center for Violent and Sexual Offenders (FECVSO) in the ministry of Justice, Austria

12:40 – 13:30  Lunch
Moderator: Dr. Nils Duits, Forensic psychiatrist, Netherlands Institute of Forensic Psychiatry and Psychology

13:40 – 14:40  Mythology of risk assessment
Joakim Sturup, National Board of Forensic Medicine, Sweden

Use and misuse of offender risk assessment
Dominik Lehner, Head Risk Assessment, Swiss Prison Service

30 minutes moderated discussion Mythology of risk assessment
What can be expected and what not? What is realistic?
How predictable is it and how can this be communicated to politicians?
Is locking up for ‘just in case’ a good solution?

14.40 – 15:15  Coffee break
Moderator: tbc

15:15 – 17:30  RNR in Prison Services
20 minutes presentation; 5 minutes roundtable discussion; 10 minutes Q&A
- Which programs in prisons respond to RNR – that are in direct relation with the crime
- Are such programs linked to new risk assessments and how; exchange of information between intervention program and risk assessment experts
- How to measure responsivity
Structured Assessment of Protective Factors for violence risk (SAPROF)
Michiel de Vries-Robbe, Senior Researcher, Netherlands

Implementation of a RNR-assessment instrument – experiences and preliminary results
Martin Lardén, Head of Treatment Unit, Swedish Prison & Probation Service
Marcus Wågenberg, Analyst, Swedish Prison & Probation Service

BRIK - A different assessment tool from Norway
Gerhard Ploeg, Senior adviser at the Directorate for Norwegian Correctional Service

Sentence planning – practical experiences from Slovenia
Lucija Bozikov, Head of Treatment Division, Slovenian Prison Service

18:30 Dinner

13 October
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09:00 – 10:30 Specific risk assessments
20 minutes presentation; 5 minutes roundtable discussion; 10 minutes Q&A

The Clinical Risk Assessment and Management of Women: Does gender really matter ...?
Dr. Caroline Logan, Lead Consultant Forensic Clinical Psychologist in the NHS, honorary Research Fellow, University of Manchester, England

Capturing Risk, Need and Risk Relevant Change in Sexual Offenders
Prof. Dr. Reinhard Eher, Head of the Federal Evaluation center for Violent and Sexual Offenders (FECVSO) in the ministry of Justice, Austria

10:30 – 11.00 Coffee break

11:00 – 12:30 Radicalisation Risk assessment
20 minutes presentation; 5 minutes roundtable discussion; 15 minutes Q&A
The risk assessment of violent extremism: Challenges, lessons learned and future directions
Christopher Dean, Chartered and Registered Forensic Psychologist, Director of Identify Psychological Services and Senior Fellow at the Global Center of Cooperative Security, England

A comparison of VERA2 and ERG 22+ in the light of the French context
Professor Martine Herzog-Evans, PhD, University of Reims, Law faculty

12.30 – 13.00 Closing
13.00 – 14.00 Lunch