



## **Roundtable: Innovative Approaches to Prevention and Reduction of Drug Demand**



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An overview of European policies and programmes, November 28, 2012 European Parliament, Brussels

The 2011 EMCDDA report shows that drug use is one of the major causes of health problems and mortality among young people in Europe, and can account for a considerable proportion of all deaths among adults. In fact, drug use is no longer confined to young people and that the number of mature adult drug users is growing. Using innovative approaches is an opportunity for prevention and reduction of drug demand.

We are delighted to invite you to the roundtable “Innovative approaches to prevention and reduction of drug demand: an overview of European policies and programmes”. The aim is to have a high profile debate on how to dramatically stimulate improved cooperation among European stakeholders to develop innovative approaches to prevent and reduce drug demand.

The roundtable intends to provide an opportunity to share information and practices, reflect on achievements and discuss the challenges ahead. The roundtable will gather Members of the European Parliament, officers from European Institutions and other international organizations and NGOs. Expert coordinators of EU projects - funded by DG Justice, DG SANCO and DG Research - will present evidencebased approaches (tools, researches and networks) for prevention and reduction of drug demand.

The workshop is the final event of the project ORION, an EU funded project led by the University of St Andrews. ORION is aimed to deliver a unique e-health intervention for assessing overdose risk. The model is based on known risk factors presented in an easy-to-use, computerized and interactive format for clinicians and patients.

A full programme and speakers list will be available soon.

For more information, please visit: [www.orion-euproject.com](http://www.orion-euproject.com)

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