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Expert Group**

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To:

NDPHS CSR Contact Persons

Representatives nominated to the NDPHS Prison Health Group

Invitation to the 3rd Meeting of the NDPHS Prison Health Expert Group

Dear Partners and Representatives to the PH EG,

The Prison Health Expert Group held its 2nd Meeting on 13-14 February 2007 in Oslo. Participants from all the three Baltic countries, Russia, Finland, Sweden and Norway took part in the Meeting, in addition to Mr Lars Møller from WHO Euro.

The Meeting was a mapping and planning meeting, where knowledge on activities and challenges in the region was shared and future actions of the Group were discussed. The Terms of Reference was discussed and approved. The Group received valuable information about the Database and Pipeline Project.

France has kindly agreed to host the 3rd Meeting of the Expert Group which will take place 18-19 June 2007 in Paris. The Meeting will start on 18 June at 13h and end on 19 June at 13h. From 14-16h there will be possibility for the participants to pay a visit to a female prison, possibly the Versailles Prison. After this, the participants may, if they so wish, visit the Versailles Castle.

The agenda will include a discussion of the Expert Group's working plan for 2008, the Database and Pipeline project, discussion on ongoing projects and co-operation with other NDPHS Expert Groups. We have therefore invited Mr Pauli Leinikki, Chair of the HIV/AIDS group, to take part in the Meeting in order to discuss issues of mutual interest.

The working language of the Meeting will be English.

Please register and make your accommodation arrangements as soon as possible. Due to practical limitations, there is a maximum of 20 participants at the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Ingrid Lycke Ellingsen
Chair of the Expert Group