

EG on Alcohol and Substance Abuse (ASA EG)
Fourteen working Meeting
Copenhagen, Denmark
16-17 March 2017



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Title	Provisional annotated agenda
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Summary / Note	This document provides explanatory notes regarding the items included in the provisional agenda and, within a given item, specifies actions requested from the meeting participants
Requested action	For reference

Thursday, March 16

1. Opening of the meeting and welcome

The meeting will be opened and chaired by Mr. Bernt Bull, the ASA EG Chair, Senior Advisor at the Ministry of Health and Care Services, Norway.

The Nordic Council of Ministers representative will welcome the participants on behalf of the Host.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The Meeting will be invited to adopt the Provisional agenda with the timetable (submitted as Document ASA 14/2/1).

3. NCM Presentation – NCM activities in the field of Public Health

Mr. Kåre Geil, Senior Advisor, Knowledge&Welfare department, will present the NCM activities in the field of Public Health.

The Meeting will be invited to discuss the presented issues and conclude, as appropriate.

4. Country reports on recent developments in the field of Alcohol and Substance abuse policy developments

The ASA EG members are invited to present information regarding the current situation and challenges posed by substance use and addictive behaviors in their respective countries. It should also be noted that the Chair has decided that from 7 to 10 minutes will be allocated for each presentation.

The Meeting will be invited to consider the presented information and conclude, as appropriate.

5. WHO activities

Dr. Lars Moller will present the last publications of WHO related to Alcohol issues and how to use the data behind it as this can be used by members of the expert group. He will also present the WHO plans for the coming year. Ms. Lisa Scholin (Consultant at WHO) will present results of study “Preventing Alcohol Exposure During Pregnancy in the European Region – Evidence, Case Stories and Challenges”

The Meeting will be invited to **take note** of the provided information.

6. Prevention of the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder in Russia

Ms. Elena A.Varavikova (Russia), Leading Researcher, Public Health Research Institute will present "Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders prevention in Russia"

The Meeting will be invited to **take note** of the provided information

7. Current developments on International Arena – RARHA results and the future steps

Mr.Janusz Sieroslowski (Poland) will present the results of RARHA survey. The following topics will be discussed: follow-up status of RAHRA conclusions, statuses regarding EU follow up program on RAHRA (a framework contract or a JA), future surveys

The Meeting will be invited to **take note** of the presented information and decide as appropriate.

8. Icelandic Experience

Mr. Jón Sigfússon (Iceland) Director, Icelandic Centre for Social Research and Analysis | ICSRA, will present the current developments and the status of Alcohol Policy in Iceland. The Icelandic prevention model will be also presented. in the

The Meeting will be invited to **take note** of the provided information

9. Information from the relevant on-going projects (alcohol and Somatic Diseases)

Prof. Eugenia Koshkina, the Co-Chair of the ASA EG, will report about the implementation of the Project on surveillance of alcohol and drug use among hospitalized somatic patients.

The Meeting will be invited to **take note** of the presented information and decide as appropriate

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10. Possible future projects

Mr. Janusz Seirosalwski (Poland) will present the project proposal aiming to assess needs for improvement of response to problem use of cannabis and cannabis dependence in ND countries

The Meeting will be invited to **take note** of the presented information and decide as appropriate

11. Possibility of a Joint project (NDPHS project)

Mr. Bernt Bull (Norway) and Mr. Zaza Tsereteli (ITA) will present the new initiative to develop a joint NDPHS project in cooperation with the other EGs.

The Meeting will be invited to **take note** of the presented information and decide as appropriate

12. Report from the NDPHS meeting (chairs and ITAs)

Mr. Bernt Bull (Chair) and Dr. Zaza Tsereteli (ITA) will inform about the Chairs and ITAs meeting, that took place in Gdansk, on February 24, 2017

The Meeting will be invited to discuss the presented issues and conclude, as appropriate

13. Preparations for the PAC side event in 2017/EU ministerial meeting

Ms. Triinu Taht (Estonia) will update on the status of Estonia's EU Presidency and its decision to hold the EU ministerial meeting on Alcohol. The next steps, including the responsible persons and the timeframes, will be discussed and agreed.

The Meeting will be invited to take note of the views expressed and **conclude**, as appropriate

14 .ASA EG progress report preparation

Dr. Zaza Tsereteli (ITA) will present the ASA EG progress report for 2016. The ASA EG members will be invited to discuss the report, including the activities to achieve the expected results of the NDPHS action plan.

The Meeting will be requested to **take note** of the presented information and decide as appropriate.

15. Next ASA EG meeting

The ASA EG members will be invited to discuss possible date and place of the nest ASA EG meeting and decide, as appropriate

16. Any other business / issues from the first day of the meeting

The Meeting might wish to discuss any other business not covered under other agenda items and decide, as appropriate

17. Adoption of the meeting minutes

The ASA EG Chair proposes that it would send out draft ASA EG Thirteen Working Meeting minutes to the participants on April 17 , 2017, and that comments on the draft would be due, at the latest, on April 27, 2017. The revised minutes would be distributed on May 2, 2017, to be adopted per capsulam if no further comments are submitted within one week.

The Meeting is invited to decide, as appropriate

18. Closing of the meeting

The Meeting is expected to terminate on March 17, 2017, at 13:00