



Key Indicator: Drug-related deaths and mortality among drug users
Annual Expert meeting
12-13 November 2012 - EMCDDA (Lisbon)

Agenda

Monday 12 November

9.15 - 10.45 Introductory session (Session 1)

Objectives of this session: presenting the agenda, the objectives and the evaluation project of this meeting. Presenting and discussing the progresses and the implementation of the indicator and the 2012 findings. Presenting the main findings and introducing the discussions on pooled cohorts analysis (to be continued in a workshop)

Overview of progress with the Key Indicator during the last year: challenges and perspectives
Isabelle Giraudon & Julian Vicente, EMCDDA

Results of DRD and mortality among drug users: 2012 Annual report and Statistical bulletin
João Matias, EMCDDA

Cohort studies pooled analysis with 8 countries in 2012: main findings, outputs foreseen
Marcel Buster, Amsterdam & Albert Espelt, Barcelona

Implementation of the key indicator
Sandrine Sleiman, EMCDDA

Information about a project on Key indicator meetings evaluation
Alan Lodwick, the United Kingdom

10.45 - 11.15 Coffee break

11.15 - 12.45 Cross-indicator analysis: a better insight on DRD and overdose mortality? (Session 2)

Objectives of this session: discuss the findings of the DRD/POU (Problem opioid users) cross-indicator analyses and the limitations of the data. Discuss, based on national examples, the possible use of POU, cohort, OST and TDI to better understand OD mortality. Get preliminary input and comments to prepare the first draft of an EMCDDA report planned in 2013

Chair Danica Thanki

DRD/POU and DRD/injectors

Applied PDU estimations: POU and IDU as a denominator to analyse drug-related deaths prevalence
Isabelle Giraudon, Danica Thanki, Kaatje Bollaerts, João Matias, Julian Vicente

DRD and other indicators cross-indicator analyses and the limitations of the data
Andrei Botescu, Romania

Drug Related Deaths, Prevalence Estimates and Treatment Data Composing the Puzzle
Charlotte Wirl, Austria

Brief introduction to the programme of the afternoon

12.45 - 14.00 Lunch break at the EMCDDA

14.00 - 15.30 Cocaine-related deaths and methadone-related deaths (Session 3)

Objectives of this session: present and comment on the main findings of the 2012 review on cocaine-related DRD. Discuss the current situation and possible further research/monitoring (e.g. non OD deaths) and the reporting of detailed toxicology findings through Fonte. Present the summary on the OD4 methadone analysis, and get some feed back from the group.

Chair Julian Vicente

Main findings of the 2011-12 research project on cocaine-related deaths

John Corkery, United Kingdom

Comments from some countries and discussion

Summary on cocaine-related deaths recently reported through Fonte

João Matias, EMCDDA

OD4 index: findings in 11 countries – possible comparison in 4 countries?

Isabelle Giraudon, EMCDDA

Comments from some countries and discussion

15.30 - 16.00 Coffee break

16.00- 17.45 Special registries: possible use to explore DRD related to prescription opioids/painkillers. (Session 4)

Objectives of this session: get inputs and comments from the experts on the possible use of this source of information, particularly on deaths related to prescription opioids and other psychoactive medicines

Special register (SR) data from Berlin and Hamburg. New developments and process in improving the SR

Axel Heineman, Germany

Recent trends in deaths related to OST

Joakim Stranberg, Sweden

Abused opioids in fatal poisonings in Finland

Erkki Vuori, Finland

Fatal Poisonings with Fentanyl(s) in Estonia

Jana Tuusov, Estonia

18.00 Cocktail at EMCDDA premises

Tuesday 13 November

9.00 - 10.45 Preventing drug related deaths (Session 5)

Objective of this session: share up-to-date information on some prevention strategies (DRD databases; psychological profiling; internet tools) in place or in development across Europe. Discuss their usefulness/fitness to different national contexts

Chairs Dagmar Hedrich (EMCDDA) & Marica Ferri (EMCDDA)

Interventions to reduce drug-related deaths in Europe

Teodora Groshkova, EMCDDA

Drug Deaths in East Central Scotland - Insights from the Data Collection Process since 2005
Julia Neufeind, Scotland

Overdose Risk InforMatioN Project (ORION): Main findings and implications for prevention policies in Europe
Gerry Humphris, ORION project

Drug Related Deaths in Scotland: Findings from the National Drug Related Death Database
Roy Robertson, Scotland

Quick communications from some national experts (Italy, Austria, others)

10.45 - 11.15 Coffee break

*For those interested, projection of a 10 min. prevention-information film on overdose deaths
(Source Public Health Agency of Catalonia, Spain)*

11.15 - 12.30 Parallel Workshops

Parallel workshop A: Acute emergency data and deaths from new psychoactive drugs (Session 6)
Objective of the workshop: get some initial input for the first draft of the 2013 EMCDDA internal strategy document, on the use of acute emergency data to monitor drug related health consequences. In this framework, a pilot project (possibly 4-5 countries) could be developed, on which input and suggestions are expected
Chair Isabelle Giraudon

The experience of the Spanish Observatory on Drugs on drug-related emergency cases collection.
Elena Alvarez, Spain

Using hospital inpatient data to monitor drug-related health consequences: Ireland
Suzi Lyons, Ireland.

Emergency room data in Denmark
Henrik Saelen, Denmark

Quick communications from some national experts (The Netherlands about difficulties sometimes to interpret the data, others)

Discussions building on the presentations and the 2012 review of cocaine-related emergencies

Parallel workshop B: Deaths from new psychoactive drugs and new trends in substance used (Session 7)
Objective of the workshop: share up-to-date information on deaths related to new psychoactive drugs in several countries – could include analysing MDMA related deaths?
Chair Julian Vicente

Amphetamine-type drugs related emergency visits and mortality in Hungary
Gergely Horvath, Hungary

New trends in substance use among heroin users in Greece
Chara Spiliopoulou, Greece

Deaths from new psychoactive drugs in the UK
John Corkery, United Kingdom

Drug Related Deaths (2010-2011) - Toxicological Results vs Causes of Deaths
Mário João Dias, Portugal

12.40 - 13.15 Feedback from the workshops. Wrap up: conclusions and further work

13.30 Closure of the main DRD meeting

13.30 - 14.30 Lunch break at the EMCDDA

Mortality cohort workshop (room CDS107)

14.30 - 16.00 Mortality cohort studies – working group for the 8 countries who have pooled their data – new members welcome

Objectives of this workshop: get additional input from the participants on the pooled analyses carried out. Discuss the main findings. Discuss the project of draft EMCDDA report foreseen in the DRD 2013 work programme. Encourage new experts to join the working group and pool their cohort data. Share experiences on cohort implementation, management and data analysis.

Socioeconomic inequalities in mortality: main findings and paper foreseen: for input and comments
Albert Espelt, Barcelona

Main findings of the 8 pooled studies: more details for discussion
Marcel Buster, Amsterdam

Discussion of the possible draft paper(s) and of the 'cohort report' foreseen in the 2013 work programme

16.00 - 16.20 Coffee break

16.20 - 17.30

Presentation/discussion of cohorts' findings not yet fully reported and or cohorts in preparation for 2013

- Sonia Chipeva for the Bulgarian cohort study
- Charlotte Wirl for the design and features of the new foreseen cohort study
- Other interventions tbc (from Cyprus and other countries)

Wrap up of the cohort workshop: conclusions and further work plan

17.30 Closure of the workshop on cohort studies