



Ministry of Social  
Policy and Youth



Ministry of Health



Office for Combating  
Drugs Abuse



## CONFERENCE

# CHALLENGES IN THE FIELD OF ADDICTION - DO WE HAVE THE RIGHT ANSWERS?

**Hotel Medena, Trogir, 10-12 October 2016**

**Ministry of Social Policy and Youth, Ministry of Health and the Euro-TC, with the expert support of the Office for Combating Drug Abuse of the Croatian Government, are organizing the conference with international participation.**

The best way to effectively respond to problems of addiction in the society is to join Government policies and good practices in a unique, integrated and multi-disciplinary system.

### WHOM IS IT INTENDED TO?

The conference is intended for government bodies and local/regional governments, experts, non-governmental organizations, professional employees in the health and social welfare system and health, police and the judiciary authorities responsible in the area of addiction.

### PURPOSE OF THE CONFERENCE

To strengthen cooperation of bodies competent in the field of addiction through the exchange of new scientific knowledge and good practice.

### DURATION OF THE CONFERENCE

The conference will last two and a half days and will consist of plenary sessions, workshops and a roundtable.

### FEE

There is no conference registration fee.

## THE MAIN TOPICS OF THE CONFERENCE

1. Developing access to prevention and treatment of new and existing drug users
2. Prevention and treatment of addictive behaviors: gambling and ICT addictions
3. Towards coherent policies in the area of addictions - can we work together?
4. The concept of recovery - reducing social stigma and improving of treatment, rehabilitation and social reintegration of drug addicts
5. New approaches to rehabilitation and psychosocial treatment in therapeutic communities and associations - program standards and establishing a network of therapeutic communities
6. Pharmacotherapy and psychosocial treatment in the prison system and probation – cooperation with bodies outside the judicial system
7. Treatment and psychosocial rehabilitation of women with addiction problems
8. Treatment of juveniles with addiction problems
9. Care for children of addicts - challenges of cooperation of different systems
10. Developing treatments for addicted persons with psychiatric comorbidity
11. Evaluation of treatment - key issues of treatment on which the evaluation can provide an answer
12. Local treatment policies - good practice examples of networking and collaboration among the different systems
13. Reducing mortality (overdose) and emergence of drug substitution therapy on the illegal drug market

**We invite you to participate in the conference which will enable you to exchange experience, knowledge and expertise, and contribute to effectively respond problems of addiction.**

**Detailed information on how to apply for a conference and the conference program will be provided subsequently.**