The A-Debate:
U-turn on Addictions
17th – 18th Feb 2016

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A debate on the concept, nature, consequences, business and governance of addictive
products deriving from the ALICE RAP project

## 17 February 2016

10.30	Registration
11:00	OPENING
	Peter Anderson / Toni Gual – Introduction to the A-Debate
	Interactive introduction – involving a conversation between PA and TG and comment from the audience to highlight a selection of issues to be discussed during the A-Debate.
11.30	SESSION 1: Why worry about addictions? Chair: Cees Goos  Jürgen Rehm – The harm from addictions Peter Anderson – Heavy use over time Dirk Lachenmeier – Toxicology and ranking of addictive drugs
	15 minute presentations + 10 mins of Q&A each + 15 mins general debate
13:00	Lunch
14:00	SESSION 2: Active agents in our addiction  Chair: Peter Anderson  Roger J. Sullivan – An ecological and evolutionary perspective of human drug use Robert Dudley – An evolutionary approach to alcohol Patricia Conrod – Promoting resilience in young people's lives  Is minute presentations + 10 mins of Q&A each + 15 mins general debate
15:30	Coffee break
16:00	SESSION 3: Addiction – a chameleon concept Chair: Virginia Berridge  • Alex Mold – The history of addiction concepts in Europe and relevance of this 'long view'  • Rachel Herring – Shaping stakeholders' influence – differences across Europe  • Matilda Hellman – Diversity in conceptualising addiction: popular and professional narratives  15 minute presentations + 10 mins of Q&A each + 15 mins general debate
17.30	Coffee break
18:00	SESSION 4: Commercialization of addictive products  Chair: Ian Gilmore  Martine Stead – Marketing ploys and practices  Jan Ramaekers – Advertising cues and effects on the brain
	<ul> <li>David Miller – The potency of producers</li> <li>15 minute presentations + 10 mins of Q&amp;A each + 15 mins general debate</li> </ul>

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8:45	Opening
9:00	SESSION 5: Heading off harm: Pathways, potency and policy Chair: Robert West  • John Holmes – Determinants of pathways in drug use: molecular, individual, and environmental drivers  • Ann McNeill – Less potent delivery systems
	Laura Schmidt – Sugar: pushing boundaries in addiction
10.00	15 minute presentations + 10 mins of Q&A each + 15 mins general debate
10:30	Coffee break
11:00	SESSION 6: Strengthening prevention and treatment Chair: Toni Gual  Robin Room – Stigma and treatment  Anne Lingford-Hughes – Dopamine and the failure of pharma treatment
	Fabrizio Faggiano – Towards a European Prevention Agency
	15 minute presentations + 10 mins of Q&A each + 15 mins general debate
12:30	Lunch
13:30	SESSION 7: <b>Using the tools of science to govern addictions</b> Chair: Franz Trautmann  Toni Gual – Addiction policy and wellbeing  Tamyko Ysa – A new typology of governance of addictions  Peter Anderson – A footprint to apportion responsibility
	15 minute presentations + 10 mins of Q&A each + 15 mins general debate
15:00	Coffee break
15:30	CLOSING SESSION OF EVENT  Moderator: Franklin Apfel  Peter Anderson / Toni Gual – Conclusions and implications from the A-Debate:  ALICE RAP Scientific Statement for Drugs Policy
	Interactive conversation presenting the main points of the ALICE RAP Scientific Statement for Drugs Policy + at least 30 mins moderated discussion and final comments from the participants to highlight implications from the science of ALICE RAP covered in the A-Debate for future policy directions.

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