



Hitting the spot - Safeguarding the mental health of victims of domestic violence

Final conference of the Daphne Project

Train, Improve, Reduce!

Diminishing the mental health impact of violence against women by training law enforcement agents

Friday 23 November 2012

Thon Hotel, Av du Boulevard 17- Brussels

9:00 *Registration of Participants*

9.30 **Welcoming address**

Josée Van Remoortel, MHE Senior Policy Advisor

9.45 **An overview of the project. Methodology and outcomes**

Karina Huberman, MHE Project manager

10:00 **Why a training on mental health and domestic violence is important? An insider's guide**

Understanding the Spiral of domestic violence and the multi-agency cooperation approach

Alain Slock, Coordinator CAW Artevelde Ghent

The impact of domestic violence on mental health

Prof. Magda Michielsens, Former professor in Women's Studies at the Universities of Nijmegen and Antwerp, and independent researcher on women's and gender studies

The mental health impact on police officers working directly with victims

Prof Stijn Jannes, MHE Senior Policy Advisor (tbc)

11:00 **Open floor discussion**

11.30 *Coffee Break*

11.45 **Panel session: Training the police on domestic violence and mental health in six EU countries**

The training similarities and differences, based on police knowledge,

expectations and national context

Jo Lucas, Fibonacci Associates

An inside view- Being trained on domestic violence and mental health

Georgia Andreou, Police inspector. Training participant, Cyprus

Train, Improve,Reduce Trainings

Dr Evangelos Anastasiou, Trainer Cyprus

Maria Schwarz-Schlöglmann Trainer Austria

Bogdana Bursuc, Trainer Romania

Petra Barbalić, Trainer Slovenia

12:45 **Open floor discussion**

13:15 **Project evaluation**

Jo Lucas, Fibonacci Associates

13.30 *Lunch*

14:30 **Policy Recommendations**

María Nyman, MHE Director

14:40 **Sharing good practices**

Domestic violence- Police training and effective multi-agency cooperation in Austria

Marina Sorgo , Director of violence protection center Styria and Rainer Loid, Sociologist, University of Graz

Belgian innovative projects and instruments for tackling domestic violence

Marijke Weewauters, Adviser at Institute for the equality of women and men, Belgium

A Report on Violence and Health in Romania - an example of Good Practice.

Raluca Nica, Director Romanian League for Mental Health

15:40 **Open floor discussion**

15:55 **Closing remarks**

María Nyman, MHE Director

16:00 **Networking coffee**



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