

Building Capacity for Action

European Alcohol Policy Conference



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The **main theme** of the conference will be to build capacity on alcohol policies and programmes at European, country, regional and municipal levels to invest in the health of Europe's citizens.

The conference will be structured around the five objectives of the Commission's Communication on alcohol:

- to protect **young people, children and the unborn child**;
- to reduce injuries and death from **alcohol-related road accidents**;
- to prevent **alcohol-related harm among adults** and reduce the negative impact on the workplace;
- to **inform, educate and raise awareness** on the impact of harmful and hazardous alcohol consumption, and on appropriate consumption patterns; and
- to develop and maintain a **common evidence base** at EU level.

Sufficient time will be provided for **advocacy development, networking, partnership building and exchange** between the participants. The conference will follow the format of a mix of plenary presentations, and highly specialized workshops, which will attempt to build capacity amongst scientists, policy makers and programme implementers. **The aim of the workshops** will be to present new and pragmatic ways of tackling problems that are encountered by participants.

Non-governmental organizations, the Building Capacity project, relevant European organizations, Commission co-financed alcohol projects, and other key organizations at all levels (European, country, regional and municipal) are invited to submit proposals to convene and run workshops.

Deadline for submissions: 14th December 2007.

The conference will conclude **with two statements**: recommendations for alcohol policy and programme development to invest in the health of European citizens at European, country, regional and municipal levels; and recommendations to reduce alcohol-related accidents and injuries at European, country, regional and municipal levels.



Participants will include: policy makers, programme implementers, health promoters, prevention specialists and prevention planners working in governmental and non-governmental organizations at the local, regional, country and European levels as well as researchers, clinicians, and addiction service providers. It will be designed to be of interest to policymakers and programme implementers who have direct responsibility for public health and social welfare as well as those who work in other sectors, such as finance, road safety, consumer and family affairs, education, entertainment, communications, marketing and advertising.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The conference will be held 3rd - 5th April 2008 at the Winterthur Auditorium and NH Constanza Hotel in Barcelona.

Conference fees:

Early booking (by 15th January 2008)

Older member states¹ € 300

Newer member states² € 150

Late booking (after 15th January 2008)

Older member states¹ € 400

Newer member states² € 200

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