



**Working Together to Prevent Harm due to
Alcohol in the Workplace**

*Co-hosted by the Spanish Ministry of Health, with
support from the Public Health Agency of the regional
Catalan Government*

12th, 17th & 20th May 2022 (online)

BACKGROUND

This AlHaMBRA Project workshop takes place within the frame of the prevention strand of the [EU beating cancer plan](#), focusing on national policy measures to support effective workplace strategies to tackle alcohol consumption and harm. The three interlinked sessions, as part of the [Capacity-building Thematic Alcohol Policy Workshop Series](#), will explore different actors' perspectives, priorities, barriers and solutions in designing and implementing effective action to tackle alcohol use and promote safe and healthy working contexts at different policy levels (European, national and local) and a variety of work settings and industries.

Outputs will include a peer-reviewed scientific summary; a set of presentations or short videos introducing the evidence and on-going European initiatives and experiences; and a workshop report, including recommendations for research and policy at the national and European levels.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA (All speakers TBC)

Session 1 (Thursday 12th May): Context and evidence for tackling alcohol in European workplaces

13:50	Connection of participants	
14:00	Welcome and opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome from the hosting Member State – Spain - Frame of the EC occupational health initiatives - Frame of the Beating Cancer Plan 	Chairs: Manuel Cardoso / Toni Gual <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministry of Health of Spain - Carla Teixeira, DG EMPL, EC (TBC) - Matthias Schuppe, DG SANTE, EC (TBC)
14:20	European context on the alcohol prevention in the workplace <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EMCDDA: addressing addictions at work - WHO Global Occupational Health Programme - EU Network on Workplace Health Promotion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TBC, EMCDDA - Ivan Ivanov, WHO International - TBC, ENWHP Network
14:40	State of the art and best practices at European Level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AlHaMBRA Project Review of best practices - Norway: Best practice examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o AKAN o WIRUS - EU & Catalonia: EWA and “At work, alcohol + drugs 0,0” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gemma Rabal, ESADE, ES - Camilla Lynne Bakkeng, AKA, NO - Randi Wågø Aas, UIS, NO - Joan Colom, Lidia Segura, ASPCAT, ES
15:10	Break	
15:20	Explain groupwork	Fleur Braddick
15:25	Discussion Groups intersectoral priorities <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Specific regulations (transport, education etc) 2. Intersectoral coordination (Labour/Health/Road Safety) 3. Coordination among health actors (occupational health/health system) 	
16:10	Feedback from groups	Toni Gual
16:40	Wrap up and close session	



Session 2 (Tuesday 17th May): Coordination for alcohol prevention at work – perspective exchange to overcome barriers

13:50	Connection of participants	
14:00	Welcome and summary of last day - Welcome from the hosting Member State – Spain	Chairs: Toni Gual - Joan Vallalbí, Ministry of Health, ES
14:10	Alcohol prevention at workplace: the main actors' perspectives: - Occupational Health – medical specialists - Employers – Business Europe - Workers & Unions	- Alenka Škerjanc, UEMS Occ med - Mario Van Mierlo, VNO-NCW, NL - ETUC (TBC)
14:45	Stakeholders' perspectives – coordination of prevention efforts - The research perspective - Case study: Portuguese collaboration across departments - EWDTs: Using alcohol testing to support effective practice	- David Fishwick, PEROSH (TBC) - Emilia Telo, OSHA, PT (TBC) - Alberto Salomone, EWDTs
15:10	Break	
15:20	Explain groupwork	Fleur Braddick
15:25	Discussion Groups: overcoming barriers 1. The impact of working conditions and psychosocial risks in alcohol consumption at workplace 2. Increasing awareness of alcohol related risk at workplace 3. Embedding alcohol prevention at workplace – from promotion/prevention to occupational health 4. Improving coordination to prevent alcohol problems at workplace 5. Supporting workers with alcohol related problems in work environments	
16:10	Feedback from groups	Toni Gual
16:40	Wrap up and close session	

Session 3 (Friday 20th May): Challenges in implementing alcohol prevention in work settings – moving towards EU recommendations

13:55	Connection of participants	
14:00	Welcome, introduction and summary of last day - Frame of the International Labour Organisation	Chair: Lidia Segura / Fleur Braddick - Ana Catalina Ramírez, ILO HQ
14:10	Key implementation challenges – tackling stigma to promote disclosure and health in different work contexts - EU project: MENTUPP – Alcohol and mental health in 17 EU MS - Case study: EMPOWER - Better mental health, better workplaces, better work. - Case study: PAIMM - Comprehensive Care Program for Sick Physicians	- Ella Arensman, UCC, IE - Beatriz Olaya, SJD Research Institute, ES - Toni Calvo, Galatea Foundation, ES
14:30	Explain groupwork	Fleur Braddick
14:35	Discussion Groups: Implementation challenges 1. Self-employed 2. Small and medium companies 3. Large companies and multinationals 4. Risky, high-impact and sensitive work areas 5. New working conditions after COVID (teleworking, safety measures)	
15:20	Break	
15:30	Get together – feedback from the working groups	Chair: Fleur Braddick
16:00	Roundtable – Working together for better workplace alcohol prevention at the European level – building recommendations	Chair: Lidia Segura - Discussants TBC
16:30	Final comments and conclusions	
16:40	Wrap up and close session	

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