

EU PREVENTION OF AND FIGHT AGAINST CRIME
Reducing Reoffending Project
First Action Learning Set (February 6-8, 2013), Hague, NL.

Thursday 7th February 2013	Agenda Item	
09.30	Overview of the 3 year Reducing Reoffending Project	Led by Knowsley MBC
09.50	Introduction of evaluation team and outline of ALS approach	Led by LJMU
10.10	Presentation by the Hague	Led by City of The Hague
Coffee Break 10.50-11.10		
11.10	Presentation by Knowsley	Led by Knowsley MBC
11.40	Presentation by Bussoleno	Led by Commune of Bussoleno, European Office
Lunch Break 12.10-1.10		
13.10	'World Café style workshops x 2	Facilitated by LJMU
Coffee Break 2.10-2.30		
14.30	'World Café style workshops x 2	Facilitated by LJMU
15.30	Coffee/ short presentation by evaluation team	Facilitated by LJMU
16.00	Feedback and Action Review	Facilitated by LJMU
16.30	Close	
Friday 8th February 2013		
09.30-12.00	Visit to The Hague Safety House (Veiligheidshuis)	Led by City of the Hague

Agenda Detail

Participants from overseas will arrive on Wednesday afternoon/evening (6 February) and will depart, ideally, on Friday afternoon (8 February 2013) after the Safety House visit, if this can be arranged

Hence Thursday (7 February) will be the full project working day. In the morning, the presentations by The Hague¹, Knowsley and Bussoleno will be focused around the following issues:

- What is each partners doing to reducing reoffending?
- What results is the particular approach having on reoffending rates?

In addressing these 2 overarching questions, we would like each of the 3 'area' partners to focus on:

- 1) Context of the intervention/programme – Who is involved? Who are the funders? What are the partnership arrangements? Are the partners co-located?
- 2) Mechanism of change – How are you trying to reduce re-offending?
- 3) Outcomes – What are the intended and unintended outcomes of the intervention/programme?

After lunch, we will adopt an action learning world café style approach to the proceedings. The overarching question for the afternoon session is as follows:

- Explore the ways in which the good practice from each case might feasibly be transferred amongst the partners?

On each of four world café tables that the participants sit at, there will be a sheet asking them to explore a particular issue (please see Figure 1 below) related to the following three questions:

- 1) What does each partner have in their area to address the particular issue?
- 2) What works well in each case?
- 3) If you could plan your dream intervention, how would you reduce reoffending in your area?

ALS participants will split into two groups and each group will start at a different table before moving from table to table to discuss the issue that is on that particular table. The world café process will be complete when both participant groups have visited each of the four thematic discussion tables. On each table there will be large sheets paper upon which participants in the ALS should record their discussions

¹ As the hosts of this first meeting, the presentation by the City of The Hague has been allocated forty minutes instead of the 30 allocated to the other two.

Figure 1: World café approach



The plenary session will feedback some key findings to the whole group. The feedback session will also seek to ascertain from the participants what the focus of the next action learning set meeting (location: Knowsley), scheduled for later in the year should be. Participants will also be asked to complete an action review sheet.