

# European report- chapter outline

1. **Drug consumption in Europe**– very short overview in numbers (0,5 p)
2. **Relevant policies at European level**
  - **The European Framework:** [EU's Drugs Strategy 2013-2020](#) & related [Action Plan on Drugs 2017-2020](#) (1 p)  
*short summary of what is most relevant for our project: reduction of social / health risks & general harm reduction*
  - **European Annual Drug Reports of EMCDDA** (2 pp)  
= key reports at EU-level  
scan last 3-5 reports on relevant topics - social re-inclusion – drug/alcohol misuse – homelessness – public spaces etc. - include short summary
  - **Homelessness as a priority on the EU agenda as extreme form of social exclusion and housing-related solutions** (3-4 pp)  
[Most recent Resolution](#) of 2014 urges MS to develop social and affordable housing for most vulnerable individuals  
Series of social policy documents to be analysed (see Word document)

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- **Drugs as a health issue**

EU Health Strategy strongly refers to European Drug Strategy- no proper strategy on drugs from DG Health

- **Possibly relevant policies at international level (max. 1 p)**

main source **UNODC annual reports** → screen last 3-5 reports (*first screening not very promising*)

### **3. Review of relevant European reports on homelessness - drug/alcohol misuse - social inclusion in wider sense (3-4 pp)**

- Screen FEANTSA reports / materials to provide overview of innovative strategies & policies (e.g. position papers, several policy analysis published in Newsletter of European Network of Homeless Health Workers)
- Screen publications by European policy think tanks & if promising research papers

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## 4. Policy analysis (2-3 pp)

- What are the most successful policies and what evidence is available?
- How do policies get translated at national / local level?
- Are they effective at national / local level? What determines their effectiveness?

### **+ *Bullet point summary of most effective & evidence-based approaches, e.g.***

- Non-judgmental approach of low-threshold programs (OSF evaluation of International Harm Reduction Development Program )
- Models of community-based and peer-based overdose prevention services (Report European Harm Reduction Network 2014)
- Harm reduction approaches- extensive evidence that harm reduction is more effective for persons affected by homelessness

## 5. Conclusion and recommendations for policy makers (2 pp)

- Summarize what practices / strategies / approaches work best and why? What are the underlying policies?
- What framework / structures determine their effectiveness?
- Final recommendations for policy makers - bullet points