



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 1 DECEMBER 2017
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HOW TO START A FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER

One safe place for Hope and Empowerment

Development and support of integrated multidisciplinary centers and chain approach to create pathways to hope for victims of domestic violence and child abuse

Content:

The conference addresses a wide audience in the European context and is supported by the Belgian federal government in the context of the implementation of the Istanbul Convention. The Belgian government strongly supports the development of integrated multidisciplinary approach to domestic violence. Belgium is a leader in the development of Family Justice Centers in Europe.

The conference aims to provide insight into the functioning, opportunities and added value of the Family Justice Centers and affiliated multi-agency models from various perspectives: women's support, health care, perpetrator programs, child abuse advocacy, justice, police and government.

During the sessions different tools, methodologies and trainings will be presented, as basis for development of Family Justice Centers and related multi-agency approach and for implementing training and tools in the work of these centers.

The conference ends with the possibility to get to know the European FJCs, the work of the European Family Justice Center Alliance and the opportunity for networking and exchange.

Target group:

Cooperators, stakeholders and directors of Family Justice Centers and multi-agency approach of domestic violence and child abuse, EC and EU mandates, federal, regional and local policy, women's aid, victim services, perpetrator programs, police, justice, health sector, mental healthcare, child advocacy, youth care, training centers, universities and research centers.

Registration:

Register for the conference on our website: www.efjca.eu

Registration closing date: **18th of November 2017**

Accreditation in ethics and economy requested

More information: info@efjca.eu



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8.30: **Registration**

9.00: **Welcome**

Pascale Franck, day chairwoman, co-director FJC Antwerp and vice-president European Family Justice Center Alliance

9.10: **Introduction and the work of the FJC and multi-agency approach of domestic violence in Belgium**

Zuhal Demir, State-Secretary for Equal Opportunities Belgium

9.30: **Domestic violence in the European policy**

Karen Vandekerckhove, Head of Unit "Gender Equality", Directorate-General of Justice and Consumers, European Commission

9.50: **The European Family Justice Center Alliance and the benefits of an integrated multidisciplinary approach of domestic violence in Europe**

Bert Groen, president European Family Justice Center Alliance, including the movie 'FJC's in Europe'

10.20: **Break**

10.50: **Parallel workshops**

1. The multidisciplinary approach and the FJC-model from the perspective of the victim

Marie Brown, FJC Derry, N. Ireland, Gerrienne Rozema & Teun Haans, FJC Tilburg, The Netherlands

2. The multidisciplinary approach and the FJC-model from the perspective of the perpetrator programs

Nina George, European Network for Work With Perpetrators, UK & Kris Decraemer, Interactie-Academie, Belgium

3. The multidisciplinary approach and the FJC-model from the perspective of the child advocacy and Barnahus

Laura Cejmale, Centre Dardedze, Latvia, Ana Marija Spanic, Child and Youth Protection Center of Zagreb, Croatia & Dries Wyckmans, FJC Limburg, Belgium

4. The multidisciplinary approach and the FJC model from the perspective of Police and Justice

Maité de Rue, Deputy Prosecutor General Liege, Belgium & Berglind Eyólfsdóttir, FJC Reykjavik, Iceland

12.30: **Lunch**

Plenary sessions

13.30: **"How to Start a FJC, what do you need to make it happen"**

Davy Simons, FJC Antwerp, Belgium & Michele Rabaiotti, FJC Milan, Italy

14.30: **The benefits/opportunities of the FJC-model from the perspective of the health sector and the cultural competence**

Dr. Leo Pas, ACGP KULeuven, Belgium, Dr. Ghada Hatem, Maison de Femmes - FJC Paris, France & Carmen Fernandez Alonso, SEMFYC / Lydia Salvador Sanchez, Regional Health Service of Castilla y Leon, Spain

15.10: **Break**

15.30: **Feedback morning workshops**

15.45: **The role and benefits of the medical forensic work in the approach of family violence and lessons learned about Strangulation**

Dr. Cath White, SARC, UK

16.30: **Closing remarks**

Zuhal Demir, State secretary of Equal Opportunity

16.40: **It's a wrap!**

Conclusions by Pascale Franck

16.45: **Networking drink**