



## ***“Prison and drug use: management, costs and criteria”***

### **A UNICRI Symposium**

**Wednesday, 23 September 2015 h. 12.45-14.15**

**Room 5**

**Lisbon Addictions Conference 2015**

**First European Conference on Addictive Behaviours and Dependencies**

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### **Scope, purpose and participants**

The Symposium on “Prison and drug use: management, costs and criteria” aims to contribute to the debate on the health, social and economic costs of drug use in prisons and drug-related incarceration in Europe.

To this purpose, representatives from international organizations (UNICRI and WHO) academic and research institutions (University of New South Wales and the Italian Council for Social Sciences) and non-profit organizations (Italian Coordination for Health Professionals in Prisons - Co.N.O.S.C.I.) will provide their contribution on the following issues:

1. Improving prison health management to increase access to drug prevention, treatment and risk reduction interventions.
2. Understanding the impact of drug control policies on prison costs.
3. Establishing evidence-based criteria for the assessment of substance use disorders to support the criminal justice system in the implementation of alternative measures to prison.



The Symposium will be open to all participants to the Lisbon Addictions Conference. A light lunch will be offered.

Since limited places are available, please contact UNICRI (Alice Rena: rena@unicri.it) to confirm your participation and reserve your place.

### **Individual contributions**

1. *Prison health management, access to treatment and risk reduction: policies, practices and challenges*, Lars Møller, WHO Regional Office for Europe
2. *Opiate Substitution Treatment (OST) in prisons and post-release: its impact in reducing mortality*, Michael Farrell, NDARC, University of NSW
3. *The costs of drug-related incarceration in Europe*, Carla Rossi, Italian Council for Social Sciences
4. *Establishing evidence based criteria for the assessment of drug addiction to facilitate access to alternative measures to prison*, Sandro Libianchi, Co.N.O.SC.I
5. *Non custodial sentences for persons with Substance Use Disorders: addressing the need for the criminal justice system to consider the offenders' psycho-social dimensions*, Alice Rena, UNICRI

**Chairperson: Alessandra Liquori O'Neil, Programme Officer, UNICRI**

**Discussant: Matthew Hickman, BSc, MSc, PhD, Professor in Public Health and Epidemiology, University of Bristol**



## **About the presenters:**

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