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## **NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS TRAINING Vienna, 22-23 January 2009**

### **DRAFT PROGRAMME**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Venue:

See attachment

Working languages :

English and German

Simultaneous translation in these two languages will be provided

Hotel accommodation:

See attachment

Financial issues:

- travel costs: Mental Health Europe will pay for your travel costs (if at a reasonable price: economy class flights; train 1<sup>st</sup> class).

Please book your tickets well in advance in order to have a good rate.

(Electronic) tickets and boarding passes must compulsory be sent to Mental Health Europe after the training.

- hotel: will be booked by Pro Mente Vienna and paid by Mental Health Europe

- meals: will all be provided from Wednesday evening dinner to Friday lunch

- local transport: will be reimbursed by Mental Health Europe

Please see attached expenses claim form and **guidelines**, to be duly completed and signed, and returned to the MHE secretariat by 15 February 2009 at the latest.

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## **TRAINING PROGRAMME**

### **Wednesday 21 January 2009**

19.00 - **Dinner** Restaurant MAX, 1010 Wien, Stubenring 16 (number 6 on the city-map)

### **Thursday 22 January 2009**

09.30 – 10.00 **Welcome  
Introduction on the Mental Health Europe Work  
Programme and the role of the National Focal Points**  
Mary Van Dievel, MHE Director

10.00 – 11.00 **Presentation of their current activities by the  
participants**  
All

11.00 – 11.30 Break (cold snacks, coffee and soft drinks)

11.30 – 13.00 **Introduction on the EU institutions, decision-making  
procedures and recent policy developments regarding  
Mental Health and Social Inclusion**  
Astrid Mechel, MHE Social Policy Officer

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch (warm soup, cold snacks and soft drinks)

14.00 – 16.00 **How to lobby national/local/regional authorities?**  
Rita Donabauer, Managing Director, Pro Mente Upper Austria  
Elisabeth Muschik, Vice President MHE, Vice-President Pro  
Mente Austria

16.00 – 16.15 Break (cold snacks, coffee and soft drinks)

16.15 – 18.00 **Lobbying of national Members of European Parliament in  
view of the European elections (June 2009)**  
Astrid Mechel, MHE Social Policy Officer

19.00 - Dinner with participants in: Restaurant "zur goldenen Glocke",  
1050 Wien, Kettenbrückengasse 9

**Friday 23 January 2009**

- 09.00 – 10.00      **Working with the Media – Short Introduction**  
Mary Van Dievel, MHE Director
- 10.00 – 10.30      **The UN Convention on the Rights of Disabled People –  
Links with Mental Health Issues**  
Mary Van Dievel, MHE Director
- 10.30 – 10.45      Break (cold snacks, coffee and soft drinks)
- 10.45 – 12.30      **How to find funding for the European work of the MHE  
National Focal Points?**  
Nace Kovac, Director SENT, Slovenian Association for Mental  
Health  
Elisabeth Muschik, Vice President MHE, Vice-President Pro  
Mente Austria  
Discussion with all the participants
- 12.30 – 13.00      **Feedback session**
- 13.00 – 14.00      Lunch in: Gasthaus Ubl, 1040 Wien, Preßgasse 26
- End of the training**