



## **DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTION: TAMPEP 8**

### **TAMPEP : EUROPEAN NETWORK FOR HIV/STI PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION AMONG MIGRANT SEX WORKERS**

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#### **Summary (objectives, methods, expected results)**

##### **OBJECTIVES**

TAMPEP is a network of community-based service providers and sex workers' organisations operating in 25 European countries. The main objective of TAMPEP is to reduce the HIV vulnerability of migrant and mobile sex workers through the development, exchange, promotion and implementation of appropriate policies and interventions across Europe, and specifically:

- 1. To consolidate and further develop targeted HIV/STI prevention measures**, health promotion interventions for migrant and mobile sex workers in Europe.
- 2. To examine and analyse the situation of prostitution in Europe** based on mapping of the prostitution scene and legal framework on migration, sex work and HIV policies and the identification risk factors and levels of vulnerability that determine the barriers to access to prevention measures and care.
- 3. To facilitate the sharing of knowledge**, experience, and good practices among service providers and community-based organisations on pan-European level.
- 4. To consolidate and enhance the network of 25 countries in Europe** by strengthening their capacity for effective interventions within a sub-regional and cross border cooperation model.
- 5. To promote human rights and equality in public health policies and accessibility** for migrant and mobile sex workers, by developing and promoting a holistic strategy underpinned by the principles of respect and inclusion of sex workers,

##### **METHODS**

The project objectives are achieved through a set of activities that are carried out on the national levels, with pan-European methodologies and guidance.

The combination of community based research, targeted intervention and advocacy alongside the principle of direct participation of sex workers in the design, development, execution and evaluation are the key elements of the methodology.

The stages of the methodology combine national and European mapping of prostitution, assessment of changes in sex workers' populations and situations and their needs; survey on legal framework and policy development; actual interventions; evaluation and adjustment of the interventions to environmental changes; creation of models of intervention and tools,

while adapting them to specific groups and settings in various member countries; implementation and assessment of effects of scaling up HIV/AIDS strategies within the European context with common indicators and survey methods on national, sub-regional and European levels.

## **EXPECTED RESULTS**

1. A pan-European response to legal, health and social care needs of (migrant and mobile) sex workers in a framework of cooperation between 26 partners, the implementation of targeted prevention initiatives, and development of good practices and adaptable strategies.
2. Strengthening the capacities of service providers and community based organisations for effective interventions and strategies for HIV/STI prevention among (migrant and mobile) sex workers and their clients.
3. Comprehensive and updated assessment of the prostitution scene through qualitative and quantitative data gathered across the network of 25 countries, a network which has the role of a European Expertise Centre within the enlarged Europe.
4. Comprehensive and updated assessment of legal framework regarding migration, sex work, and HIV/STIs on national and European levels, focusing on legislation and policy that impact either positively or negatively on sex workers ability to access information and services
5. Exchange of experiences and skills within the network and beyond through the production of a *European Good Practice Manual* with examples of comprehensive intervention strategies adaptable to various settings and countries.
6. Strengthening referral routes to health and social care services for migrant sex workers through the development of a new Internet resource: a website with a directory of health and social care services accessible to migrant sex workers and information for various stakeholders.
7. Exchange of skills and experience in relation to cross border prostitution at bi-lateral and regional and European level, thereby enhancing the capacity of health and social care service providers to respond to the needs of sex workers in this particular environment.

## **1. OBJECTIVES**

### **1.1. General objectives**

The main aim of the TAMPEP project is to reduce the HIV vulnerability of (migrant and mobile) sex workers through the development, exchange, promotion and implementation of appropriate policies and interventions across Europe.

### **1.2. Specific objectives**

1. To consolidate and further **develop targeted HIV/STI prevention measures**, health promotion interventions for (migrant and mobile) sex workers in Europe, and to formulate recommendations for specific HIV/STI prevention strategies for this (migrant and mobile) sex workers.
2. To **examine and analyse the situation of prostitution in Europe**, which includes: documenting the prostitution scene, legal framework and policy development on migration, sex work and HIV policies on national and European levels, the identification

of behavioural and environmental risk factors and levels of vulnerability, and determining the barriers to access prevention measures and care.

3. To **facilitate the sharing of knowledge**, experience and good practices among a network of governmental and non-governmental service providers, community-based organisations and international agencies on a pan-European level. To reinforce the capacity of service providers to enhance HIV prevention for and with (migrant and mobile) sex workers in Europe through the identification of good practices tools.
4. To **consolidate and enhance the network of 25 countries in Europe** by strengthening their capacity for effective interventions within a pan-European, sub-regional and bi-lateral cross border cooperation model, in order to reach adequate responses for service providers to design specific intervention methods.
5. To **promote human rights and equality in public health policies and accessibility** for (migrant and mobile) sex workers, by developing and promoting a holistic strategy underpinned by the principles of respect and inclusion of sex workers, while employing a pan-European model of intervention that is based on assessing the situation and needs of sex workers and developing adequate and appropriate responses. To coordinate efforts for a European response to legal, health and social care needs of (migrant and mobile) sex workers.