



EPA FORENSIC PSYCHIATRY SECTION REPORT 2023

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LAST SECTION COMMITTEE ELECTIONS HELD:

Date: 28 March 2023
Venue: EPA Congress, Paris, France

ACTIVITIES OF THE SECTION IN 2023:

Meetings/events

Summer seminar on forensic psychiatry and psychology in Europe - Annual summer seminar, theme this year: Neurodiversity in forensic psychiatry

Description:

The seminar should be a module which adds on existing training programmes in forensic psychiatry in different European countries and is hoped to be an incentive to countries where specialized training is not yet established. It is not a training programme to form "European Forensic Psychiatrists", but it should provide knowledge and skills for advanced trainees and gives them the chance to discuss their problems with



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renowned European specialists.

The purpose of the seminar is to make young European forensic psychiatrists aware of common aspects and differences in forensic psychiatry in the various countries and to learn from each other and from renowned trainers how to improve own skills and at the same time advance the services of forensic psychiatry in their own environment.

Participants are following the pathway of offenders through the system of different European countries and thus learn about the principles that govern the methods and the practice of their work and especially the treatment of mentally ill offenders at the interface of law and psychiatry in different parts of Europe.

Location: Seon Monastery, Bavaria, Germany

Start date: 31/07/2023

End date: 04/08/2023

Ghent group meeting 2023

Description:

www.ghentgroup.eu

Location: Zagreb, Croatia

Start date: 14/09/2023

End date: 16/09/2023

EPA Forensic Psychiatry Section Meeting

Description:

Business meeting

Location: Paris, France

Start date: 28/03/2023

End date: 28/03/2023

EPA course: Risk assessment and risk management of violent patients in general psychiatry

Description:

Organised by the EPA Section on Forensic Psychiatry. The course will provide the knowledge and research results about the risk of psychiatric patients of becoming violent and of becoming offenders with violent crimes. It will focus on the indicators of risk for violence and delinquency but also on the indicators of immediate threat and imminent aggression on wards and in outpatient settings. It will teach on how to develop a structure in the assessment and to come to a professional judgment on the severity and on the



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imminence of risk. It will also teach on risk formulation and risk communication among staff and outside of the clinicians' surroundings (relatives, police, courts, caretakers). It will address risk management, when to intervene and how, the methods of prevention and the long term guidance of risky patients.

Location: Paris, France

Start date: 27/03/2023

End date: 27/03/2023

FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

Meetings/events

Case-based Workshop: Presentation of offenders with intellectual disabilities: towards an open and inclusive treatment

Description:

08.04.2024 | 08:00 - 09:30 | F5

Code: CBS03

Type: Case-based workshops

Topic: Clinical / Therapeutic

Chair: Kris Goethals (Belgium) , Jane McCarthy (United Kingdom)

08:00 - 08:14

Introduction and overview of offenders with intellectual disabilities

Speaker: Kris Goethals (Belgium)

08:14 - 08:28

The psychiatric assessment including fitness to participate in Court proceedings for defendants with intellectual disabilities

Speaker: Jane McCarthy (United Kingdom)

08:28 - 08:42

Legal frameworks and the challenges for treatment and rehabilitation of offenders with intellectual disabilities



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Speaker: Farzaneh Saeedzadeh Sardahaee (Norway)

08:42 - 08:56

A case scenario of a man with intellectual disabilities who committed sexual offences against children

Speaker: Jacopo Santambrogio (Italy)

08:56 - 09:10

The development of hospital and community services for offenders with intellectual disabilities

Speaker: Ken Courtenay (United Kingdom)

09:10 - 09:30

Q&A

Location: Budapest

Start date: 08/04/2024

End date: 08/04/2024

Forensic psychiatric needs of individuals with an intellectual disabilities: towards open and inclusive treatment

Description:

08.04.2024 | 10:00 - 11:30 | F4

Code: SP19

Type: Symposium

Topic: Clinical / Therapeutic

Chair: Ellen Van Lier (Netherlands) , Jane McCarthy (United Kingdom)

10:00 - 10:17

Mental health needs of defendants with intellectual disabilities presenting at Court

Speaker: Jane McCarthy (United Kingdom)



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10:17 - 10:34

The presentation and treatment of offenders with intellectual disabilities in a hospital setting

Speaker: Ken Courtenay (United Kingdom)

10:34 - 10:51

Integrating different models in the treatment of sex offenders with intellectual disabilities: RNR, GLM and SED-R²

Speaker: Wout De Ruyck (Belgium)

10:51 - 11:08

Care and treatment of prisoners with intellectual disabilities

Speaker: Vicenç Tort (Spain)

11:08 - 11:30

Q&A

Location: Budapest

Start date: 08/04/2024

End date: 08/04/2024

Case-based Workshop: a complex clinical conundrum in a first offender

Description:

09.04.2024 | 10:00 - 11:30 | F8

Code: CBS06

Type: Case-based workshops

Topic: Clinical / Therapeutic

Chair: Michael Musalek (Austria) , Kris Goethals (Belgium)

10:00 - 10:14

The psychopathological development from a psychopathologist's point of view

Speaker: Michael Musalek (Austria)



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10:14 - 10:28

Legal and ethical perspective in this case

Speaker: Luis Madeira (Portugal)

10:28 - 10:42

A case of misdiagnosis and mismanagement in forensic psychiatry

Speaker: Farzaneh Saeedzadeh Sardahaee (Norway)

10:42 - 10:56

Geographical differences of the offender-patient pathways across Europe

Speaker: Vicenç Tort (Spain)

10:56 - 11:10

A perspective from a forensic psychiatrist and from the ECPT

Speaker: Birgit Völlm (Germany)

11:10 - 11:30

Q&A

Location: Budapest

Start date: 08/04/2024

End date: 08/04/2024

EPA Forensic Psychiatry Section Meeting

Description:

Forensic psychiatry section meeting 9 April 2024 at 12am

Location: Budapest

Start date: 09/04/2024

End date: 09/04/2024



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Ghent Group Summer seminar on forensic psychiatry and psychology in Europe - Annual summer seminar

Description:

(Seminar on Forensic Psychiatry in Europe for consultants and experienced trainees)

The Ghent Group Summer Seminar has been founded in 2010. Its aim is to improve internationally coordinated training of experienced trainees and consultants in forensic psychiatry in Europe. A main focus of it was ab initio to bring together colleagues from forensic psychiatry from across Europe to work together on a specific topic for one week in a nice and beneficial environment. It is intended that thereby interpersonal bonds are created while immersing in a specific topic and understanding the differences between the national forensic psychiatric as well as the judicial systems with regard to the specific topic of the seminar. It is intended to not only theoretically think about treatment related and political issues regarding the respective topic but to get in-depth scientific input through talks by experts, apply previous and freshly acquired knowledge in small workgroups as well as role-play, and discuss nationally specific as well as international implications with experienced colleagues.

Location: Seeon Monastery, Bavaria, Germany

Start date: 05/08/2024

End date: 09/08/2024

Ghent Group Meeting

Description:

www.ghentgroup.eu

Location: Antwerp, Belgium

Start date: 19/09/2024

End date: 21/09/2024

FUNDING IN 2023

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