

Nonmedical use of prescription
drugs among young adults

Despite the increasing trend in the use of prescription sedatives, analgesics and stimulants among young people worldwide, it is the first time that research is being conducted in Belgium into the nature and patterns of the nonmedical use of psychoactive medication by young adults, their perceptions of the risks, the availability of these medicines and the possible sources of information about these medicines.



Program

	Sessions	Speakers
9.30 - 9.40	Introduction to the webinar	Prof. Dr. Mafalda Pardal - <i>Institute for Social Drug research, Ghent University</i>
9.40 - 10.00	Opening statements	Aziz Naji - <i>The Belgian Science Policy Office (BELSPO)</i> Dr. Tina van Havere - <i>Cabinet of the Federal Minister of Public Health Vandembroucke</i>
10.00 - 10.20	Nonmedical use of prescription drugs among young adults in Belgium: study results	Dr. Frédérique Bawin - <i>Institute for Social Drug research, Ghent University</i> Dr. Julie Tieberghien - <i>Centre of Expertise in Social Innovation, VIVES University College</i>
10.20 - 11.00	Misuse of psychoactive medication in Europe and the United States: state of the art	João Matias - <i>European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)</i> Prof. Dr. Ty Schepis - <i>Texas State University, Department of Psychology (US)</i>
11.00-11.10	Q&A	
11.10- 11.25 Break		
11.25 - 11.45	Policy recommendations based on the study results	Kevin Emplit - <i>Université Saint-Louis - Bruxelles</i> Prof. Dr. Christine Guillain - <i>Université Saint-Louis - Bruxelles</i>
11.45 - 11.55	Experiences and reflections on the policy recommendations by young adults	Research participants
11.55 - 12.10	Q&A	
12.10 - 12.15	Closing remarks	Prof. Dr. Tom Decorte - <i>Institute for Social Drug research, Ghent University</i>

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