



# WWP EN Newsletter

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### [2020 WWP EN Annual Conference](#)

We are happy to announce the date and title of our 2020 Annual Conference



The 2020 WWP EN Annual Conference “Prison, Probation & Perpetrator Programmes – Collaboration for Change” will take place 2-4 September, 2020 in Dublin and is organised by the [Men's Development Network](#) and [MOVE Ireland](#).

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WWP EN Annual Conferences are open to everybody interested and active in the field of gender-based violence and perpetrator work. We will send out more information once registration has opened.

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We invite you to save the date for #wwpAC20 and join us in beautiful Dublin!

**E-Mail us for more information**

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## [WWP EN Expert Paper: Addressing Sexualised Violence in the Work with Perpetrators](#)

The WWP EN Expert Paper on "Addressing sexualised violence in the work with perpetrators" is now available online.

“It is absolutely crucial that perpetrator programmes work on sexualised violence & help men understand its forms & consequences.



In the paper, Natalia Batenkova ([Unizon](#)) discusses

- Definitions of sexualised violence
- The role of language for our understanding of sexualised violence
- Forms of sexualised violence
- Addressing sexualised violence in perpetrator work
- The importance of violence prevention

At the end of the paper, Neil Blacklock ([Respect](#)) added some valuable practice suggestions for perpetrator programmes.

More information on our 2019 annual theme of sexualised violence in intimate relationships can be found [here](#) and [here](#).

## Read the Expert Paper

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### Interview with Heinrich Geldschläger

For the [ENGAGE Project](#), which concluded in December 2019, organisations from Spain, France, Italy and Germany developed a **roadmap and training for frontline professionals interacting with male perpetrators of domestic violence**.

Heinrich Geldschläger, from the Spanish project coordinator [CONEXUS](#), agreed to sit down with us and share some of the central project outcomes and lessons learned.

"We saw that organisations delivering the ENGAGE training to frontline professionals (e.g. social or health services, child protection, police) increased the referrals to their perpetrator programmes and improved collaboration with frontline services"



**Read the full interview**

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### Coalition Against Stalkerware

Together with other NGOs and leading anti-virus companies, WWP EN is a founding member of the Coalition Against Stalkerware



Stalkerware is software that **enables perpetrators to monitor the activities of their partners without their knowledge or consent**. Installed on a cell phone, these apps grant access to the most private information, such as text messages, location of the phone's user and much more.

According to Kaspersky, a globally leading cybersecurity company, the number of users facing stalkerware rose by **35%** in the last year, while the European Institute for Gender Equality found that "70 % of women who have experienced cyber stalking, have also experienced at least one form of physical or/and sexual violence from an intimate partner".

**Learn more about Stalkerware & the Coalition**

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## Call to Action: A Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Strategy for England And Wales

"We want to turn the tide on domestic abuse. It is not acceptable, and it is not inevitable. The right interventions at the right time can stop abuse from occurring, recurring, or escalating."

In January 2020, over 60 women's support services and perpetrator programmes, with the support of key researchers, the [Royal College of General Practitioners](#), and police and crime commissioners, launched a Call to Action. In this ground breaking document, they demanded that the government include a comprehensive Perpetrator Strategy in their Domestic Abuse Bill. The debates on the bill are ongoing and we will update you on the results of this great action in our next newsletter.

**1 in 4 perpetrators**  
are repeat offenders.  
Some have as many as  
**six different victims.**



**Read the Call to Action**

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### New WWP EN Members

In 2020, we already have the pleasure of welcoming two new member organisations. WWP EN now unites 60 organisations from 32 European countries!

#### **Psytel - France**

[Psytel](#) is a nonprofit organisation founded in 1994. It is a cooperative of independent experts working in the field of health information systems and in the field of injury prevention, including violence against children, adolescents and women.





Foundation for Social Welfare Services  
Here for you

## Foundation for Social Welfare Services - Malta

Set up in 1999, [STOP! The Violence and Abuse](#) aims to facilitate change by assisting men who are abusive in intimate relationships to become aware of, understand and take responsibility for their behaviour.

### Learn more about WWP EN Member Organisations

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## [WWP EN 2019 Annual Report](#)

The 2019 WWP EN Annual Report is now available online

The 2019 annual report gives an overview of all the exciting developments and activities in our network that have been going on over the past year, such as

- WWP EN Working Groups
- the IMPACT Outcome Monitoring Toolkit
- 2019 WWP EN Study Visit
- network partnerships

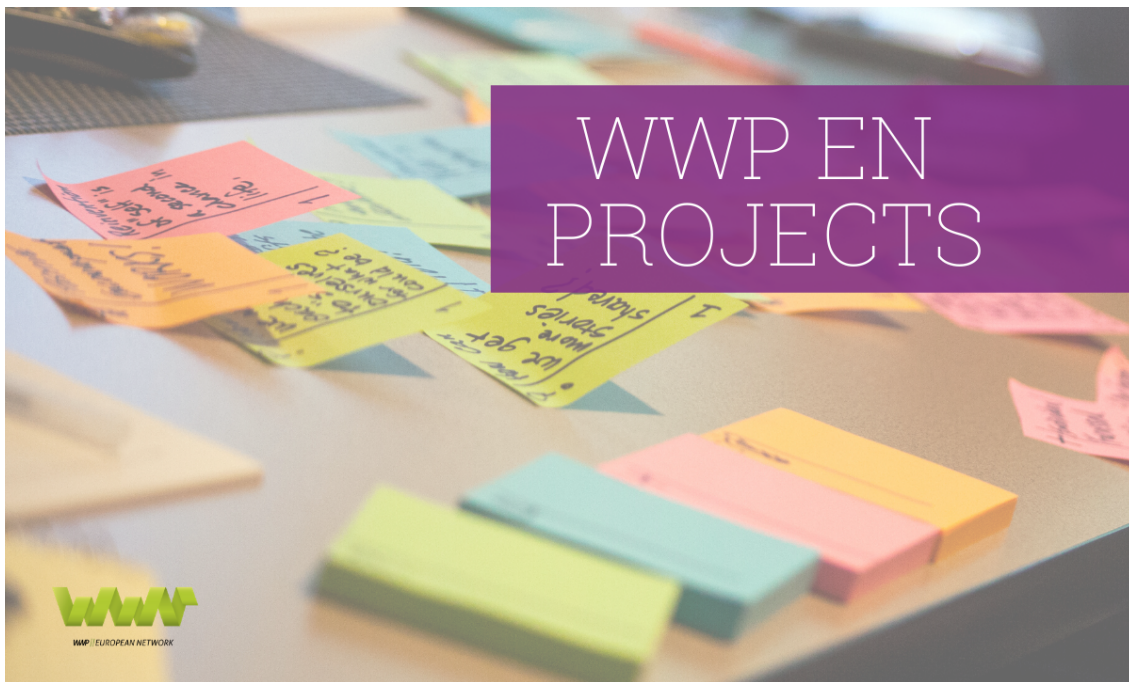


**[Click here to read the report](#)**

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## [WWP EN Project Update](#)

Find out about ongoing and new projects!



## **ASAP**

In February, we travelled to Zagreb for the latest meeting for the ASAP project, where we are working to develop a systematic approach to gender-based violence which includes both victim support services and perpetrator programmes. Some impressions of the meeting can be seen [here](#). The testing of results and policy guidelines, which highlight the excellence of the model, is almost finished and will be disseminated soon.

## **CONSCIOUS**

A summary of WWP EN's work on the Conscious project can be found on the new project [YouTube channel](#), which is also home to further project updates (mostly in Italian). Additionally, project partner ASL Frosinone held three Conscious info days in February with over 160 participants. The info days were focussed on dissemination of project results, as well as the possible extension of the project (both regionally and nationally). Preparations have begun for the final conference, which will be held in Italy in June and which will show the pilot path of the Conscious experience.

## **FOMEN**

Work on the FOMEN project has been continuing steadily since the last update. Project flyers have been produced for all project partners in multiple languages. The flyers can be found on the FOMEN website [here](#). 9 expert workshops were held with a total of 122 professionals and field experts across Europe, which resulted in valuable information for use in further project work. The FOMEN questionnaire is online now as part of the Needs and Resources Analysis of the project. The survey is divided into two parts and investigates the needs of male migrants based on gender-based violence preventive work and best

practices based on this topic. The results will be published end of April 2020. The next project meeting will be taking place in Zagreb at the end of March. If you are interested in hearing more about the FOMEN Project, you can sign up to the newsletter [here](#).

## **MARVOW**

The first project press release has been published and is available on our website [here](#) if you want an in-depth overview of what's going on. Additionally, as part of WWP EN's work on the MARVOW project, we have spent the past couple of months producing a report on multi-agency approaches to working with perpetrators. We would like to thank the participating organisations once again for their time and insights. You can read the report [here](#) under "Project Deliverables".

The next project meeting will be taking place in Estonia at the beginning of April. This meeting will be a coordination event, as well as a mutual training event among partners. WWP EN will add its experience in working with perpetrators, as well as knowledge about the cooperation between perpetrator programmes and victim support services to the meeting.

## **MiC**

The MiC Project has a new partner in Spain - the Municipality of Madrid has formalised their participation in the project! Additionally, partners have started carrying out interviews with stakeholders, companies and male carers. The next project meeting will be taking place in Oslo in May.

If you are interested in hearing more about the MiC Project, you can sign up to the newsletter [here](#).

## **Learn more about WWP EN Projects**

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### [WWP EN Website: Changes and Additions](#)

We have updated our literature section, added an FAQ (frequently asked questions) section and now provide information to bystanders, survivors and perpetrators on our "Support" page



**See the WWP EN FAQs**

**Discover our new literature section**

**Look at our bystander, survivor and perpetrator information**

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## Upcoming Conferences & Recent Publications

Check out which conferences you shouldn't miss!



WAVE published the date for their annual conference and the GREVIO Committee has recently published three new country reports. Click on the button below to see upcoming conferences and recent publications in the field of intimate partner violence.

**See upcoming conferences & new publications**

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