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Alongside Italian partners, WWP EN is working on the CONSCIOUS Project, an innovative approach to **developing an inter-systemic model for preventing reoffending by perpetrators guilty of sexual abuse and domestic violence.**

The project, which began in 2018 and will run until December 2020 after an extension granted by the EU, has recently published two new studies which address the socioeconomic impact, as well as the transferability, of the CONSCIOUS model.

Recidivism amongst those who have served a criminal sentence is a seemingly unexplored phenomenon, especially in Italy, where the project activities are taking place. The project therefore aims to provide a replicable model for reducing rates of reoffending amongst prisoners. CONSCIOUS is therefore a significant and important addition to research on recidivism in Europe.

The **Socio-Economic study** evaluates the impact of the CONSCIOUS project from a dual perspective, analysing how offenders re-enter society and

what impact this will have.

The study looks into both the monetary and non-monetary costs and implications of an offender's re-entry into society. The study is available in both English and Italian and is available on WWP EN's website [here](#).

As well as providing a preliminary analysis of the CONSCIOUS project and an overview of current European legislation, the **Feasibility Report** provides a rational reading of the legislative context of the project and the prison environment, as well as best practices regarding treatment of offenders in Europe.

The second part of the report analyses the replicability of the project locally and nationally, analysing the possibility for replication in other European countries. The report is available in both English and Italian and is available on WWP EN's website [here](#).

Further information on the CONSCIOUS Project can also be found on WWP EN's website.