



National Offender
Management Service



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ACTIVE INCLUSION

1st Steering Group Meeting

**Northern Ireland's Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders
'NIACRO'**

Amelia House,
4 Amelia Street
Belfast BT2 7GS

Date 25th June 2013

Attendees

Phil Taylor OBE, Project Director (**Day 1 only**)
Craig Georgiou, Project Manager
Kim Lau (NOMS)
Karolina Medweca, ESF England
Giovanna Mangano, ISFOL
Giovanna De Mottoni, ISFOL
Polo Bonesso, Regione Piemont
Marco Girardello, OPEN Consortium
Rita Festi, OPEN Consortium
Rhianon Williams, Justiz
Nora Obenaus, BASFI
Aggeliki Stabouli, Espanodos
Egle Brazaityte, ESF Lithuania
Koen Detemmerman, ESF Agentschaps
Anna Tengqvist, ESF Sweden
John Noble, Proteus
Olwen Lyner, NIACRO
Dr Ioan Durnescu, Research Partner.
Allen Mercer, EU Monitor, (**Day 1 only**)
Heather Reid NIACRO

Apologies

Pat Donnelly
Christian Raeberg

First day (h.09.30 -17.30) 25th June 2013

Time	Item	Lead
09.30 – 09.45	Project Director Opening	Phil Taylor OBE
09.45 –	AI Steering Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner Introduction 	All

11.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partners interests in themes and Active Inclusion 	
11.00	Coffee	
11.15 – 11.30	EU Monitor EU update and state of play	Allen Mercer
11.30 12.00	Project Manager Active Inclusion presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What How Why Budget 	Craig Georgiou
12.00 – 12.40	Research Partner Presentation on network methodology of work: working groups, theme leads, reporting structure	Dr Ioan Durnescu
12.40 – 13.00	AI Steering Group Discussion	All
13.00	Lunch buffet	
13.45 – 15.00	Project Manager Work strategy (action plan)	Craig Georgiou
15.00	Coffee	
15.00 – 16.00	AI Steering Group Planning out dissemination strategies of network outcomes and possible cooperation with other LN's (Communication strategy)	All
16.00 – 17.00	AI Steering Group Risk workshop (partners to split into two groups to discuss and list top ten risks to network)	All
17.00 – 17.30	AI Steering Group Risk presentation to SG	All
17.30	Close	

Second day (h.09.00 -12.30) 26th June 2013

Time	Item	Lead
09.00 – 09.15	Project Manager Overview of day one	Craig Georgiou
09.45 – 10.30	Project Manager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reporting structure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partners reports Timeline Highlight Report 	Craig Georgiou

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Timesheets ○ Booking ○ AOB 	
10.30 – 11.00	Project Manager Partnership Agreements	Craig Georgiou
11.00	Coffee	
11.15 – 12.00	AI Steering Group Strategies for next period of AI learning Network	All
12.00 – 12.30	AOB	All
12.30	1 st Steering Group Meeting close	



NIACRO has kindly donated the use of their offices for Active Inclusion.

NIACRO's vision is to be acknowledged as making a unique contribution to the development of a society in which the rights and needs of everyone, including offenders, are equally respected.

NIACRO began in November 1968 when a group of people met in Belfast to consider the possibilities of setting up an organisation to "work for the welfare of the offender". Three years later, the Northern Ireland Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders began its work. Its grant from Government was £3,000 and there were two staff. Now our turnover is £3,700,000 and there are almost 100 staff.

Right from the start the organisation relied on the help of volunteers, and we now have over 100.

2005 marked a real milestone with the move to our own purpose-built, centrally located building in Belfast's Amelia Street. We also have an office in Derry/Londonderry and some of our projects work out of premises in Armagh. We also operate in Magilligan Prison and Hydebank Wood Prison and Young Offenders Centre, where we work with prisoners and also run the visitors centres.

We work with service users in their own environments, including prison, pooling our skills and resources with other voluntary and statutory agencies. We also operate in all three prisons - Maghaberry, Magilligan and Hydebank Wood - including running the Visitors Centres in Magilligan and Hydebank.