

EDM NEWS

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Winter EDM 2018

15 - 18 February 2018
Thessaloniki, Greece
Capsis Hotel Thessaloniki

World Service Conference (WSC) 2018

29 April - 5 May 2018
Los Angeles, USA

ECCNA 34 2018 in Poland

27 - 29 July 2018
Krakow (Poland)
„Easy Does It”
European Conference and Convention of Narcotics Anonymous (ECCNA)

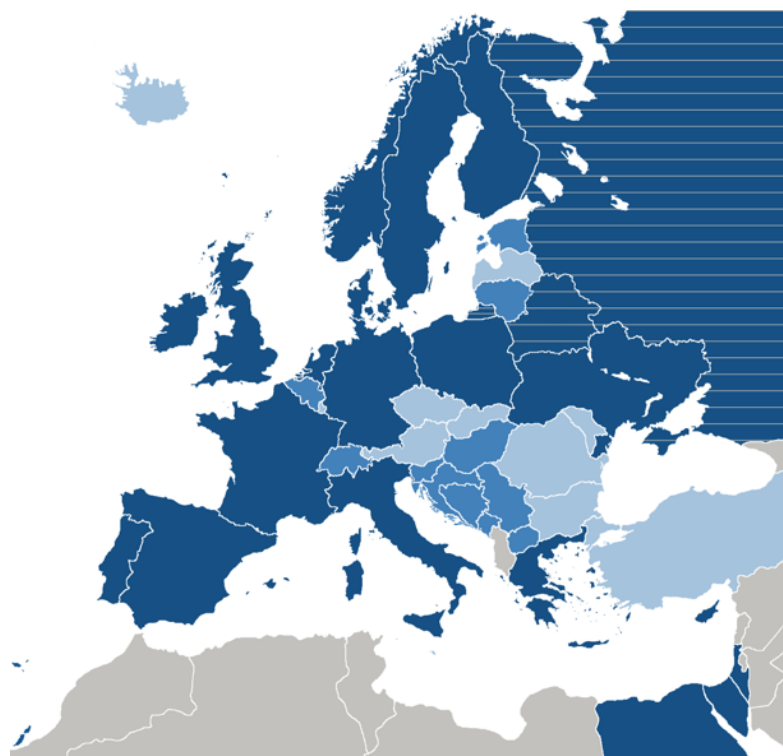
More information on our website: www.eccna.eu

European Delegates Meeting

The EDM NEWS of the European Delegates Meeting provides a brief overview about what happens at the EDM, and will give information on NA issues and events in our Zonal Forum.

Forward it to interested members, or copy it for your ASC/RSC.

Editor (Udo/FD Vice-Chair)



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| ■ 100 and more Meetings | ■ no Meetings |
| ■ 25 - 99 Meetings | ■ Russian Zonal Forum |
| ■ 1 - 25 Meetings | |



Winter EDM Thessaloniki 2018

FD Committee of EDM

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FD and PR Workshop at EDM in Greece

17 February 2018
Thessaloniki, Greece
„Fellowship Development“ and
„Public Relation“.

FD Worksession at EDM in Greece

17 February 2018
Thessaloniki, Greece
Capsis Hotel Thessaloniki
„My Nearby Pharmacy“

3rd European Service Learning Days 2019

26 - 28 April, 2019
Prague, Czech Republic
Masaryk Dormitory

CAR Workshops at EDM in Greece

16 February 2018
Thessaloniki, Greece
Capsis Hotel Thessaloniki
„CAR Workshop“

EDM NEWS !!!

You want to share some of your experience? You want to make some suggestions for the next issue in June 2018? Just feel free to contact:
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Fellowship Development News



Bulgarian Fellowship

„I am Toni, a recovering addict from the Bulgarian fellowship. I'm clean since 3 years and 3 months. I've been serving in NA since I started recovery and it helped me a lot. I'm serving in my home group because NA helped me to change my life. When I started working with a sponsor he told me to help others. And I was chair in one meeting and was making tea in another, later on I started translating literature. We started a new meeting after some time and we tried to make it more organized. We tried to create a committee, but it didn't go well. The old timers stopped coming to NA and switched to AA. The people who stayed didn't give up. We started a meeting in a detox center and tried to carry the message.

One guy choose me to be his sponsor. He is very committed to the program. I was elected to be a secretary and a GSR. Since than we are trying to build stronger groups in order to to carry the message to the addicts who suffer. But it's very difficult, because people don't work the steps and ignore the traditions. Since I'm clean, the past 3 years, only 5 people started working the program and did service. Now, my sponsi has a sponsi and I was asked to be a sponsor to one other boy. And the same time a few women from NA started a meeting in a women's prison. At the moment we are organizing a seminar in Sofia, to introduce members to stepwork, service structure, other services and the traditions. To get more united in carrying the message. We will have guests from different cities. And we hope to understand better what exactly we need to improve our area. And we will ask you guys at the EDM for help and support. Thank you!“

In fellowship
Antoni

ESL - European Service Learning Days in Prague April 26-28, 2019



We will meet for 3 full days, focusing on service and service related workshops. There will also be recovery meetings in the evening, there might be a party/entertainment. Right now we are in the process of working out the program, so if you live in a community with specific needs, please let us know. Help us make the best event possible for our common needs.

This is an event which is separated from the formal business at the EDM, solely focusing on service and helping communities to grow. We believe that the ESL is Fellowship Development in its purest form. Needless to say this event is for every member, but if regions are to send participants, we rather see that it is the coordinators/chairs and members in service committees that are going.

We are paving the way as we go along, and more will be revealed. More info will be published as the work continues. It is with excitement we are welcoming you all to Prague in April 2019!

Venue

The Masaryk Dormitory is situated in a strategic location in Dejvice, Prague 6, just 20 minutes away from Prague Vaclav Havel international airport, with excellent public-transport access to the city centre, and with good motorway links.



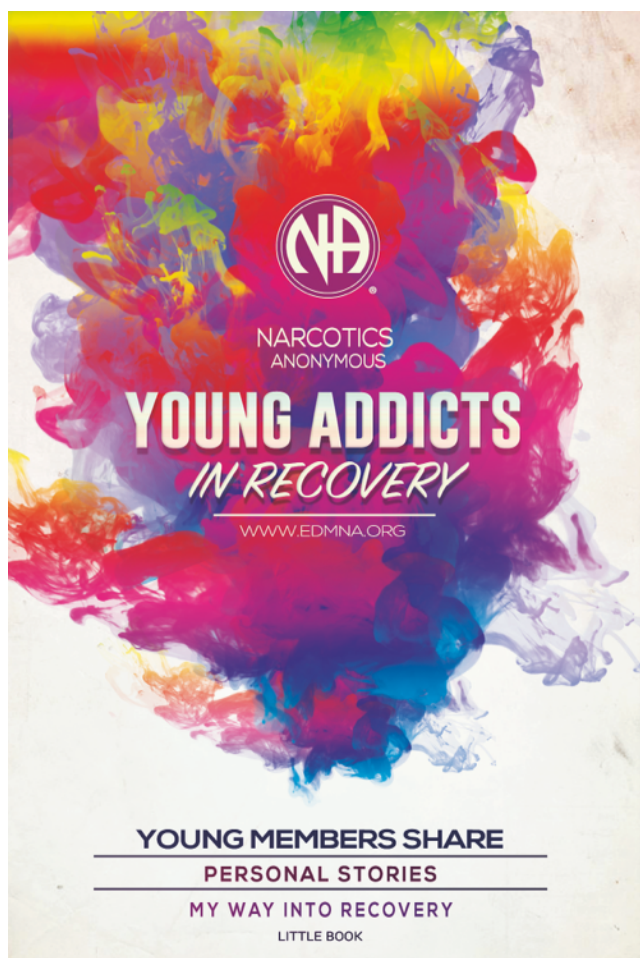
Accommodation

Masaryk Dormitory offers single and double rooms for quite reasonable prices.

For more information just visit our website. We will keep you updated soon: www.edmna.org/fellowship-development

In grateful service
EDM FD Vice-Chair
Udo Berlin

Young Addicts in Recovery



In the last couple of months we have been working on our e-book idea. We wanted to collect stories from young clean addicts, or those who got clean young. By creating this e-book we will be able to share with anyone around the world who wants to read it. There is a lot of experience out there and that could help a new member, NA fellowship or maybe a still suffering addict.

The workgroup is very excited about the project. We have created short guidelines if anyone needs a little guidance. The e-book will be in English and we will also try to help with some translation if it's needed. Help us share the message of recovery to everyone; young or old, there is always room for anyone in NA.

We have also been working with the Polish committee for ECCNA 2018. From what we have seen they are doing a great job and have made a lot of room from young addicts activities. The mission at ECCNA's is connecting young addicts together. Whether we do it with a party or workshop. We are combing through ideas with the polish committee and can't wait for the convention.

Helena, Reykjavik

Visit our website for updated information:
www.edmna.org/fellowship-development

My Nearby Pharmacy

My Nearby Pharmacy is actually a big project with minimum effort. We leave cards in special exhibitors with information from our fellowship, actually we place a poster and a display with a card holder close to the cash register. Pharmacies are an ideal place for addicts to get in touch with NA. Since this project



began, we delivered more than 100.000 cards. Today they are placed in more than 300 pharmacies, just in Moscow. It generated so much interest that we had to rebuild the help line service to meet the number of calls we received.

Part of the success of this project has to do with simplicity, and how easy it is to participate.

Volunteers only have to go to the pharmacies once a week. It is simple to participate and keep alive.

Evgeny, Russia

ECCNA 34 in Krakow 2018, 27-29 July 2018



ECCNA, or the European Conference and Convention of Narcotics Anonymous, is a unique event organized by addicts for addicts. Every year, it takes place in a different part of Europe, and this time, it will visit Kraków for the first time. The program is filled with meetings, service workshops, concerts and other events. ECCNA is a unique opportunity to make new contacts with addicts from all over Europe and the world, exchange experiences in recovery and even find a sponsor!

Pre-Registration

Organizing such a big event is a huge challenge, both financial and organizational. Help the organizing committee by registering early. The cost of pre-registration is €25; on-site registration is €35. On Saturday night there will be a great live concert followed by a party in Expo venues. Pre-registrants can buy this ticket for €10 each.

Accommodation

We've pre-picked the best hotels, hostels and bed and breakfasts close to EXPO center to make your time on ECCNA as enjoyable as possible.

Venue

International Exhibition and Convention Centre EXPO Krakow is located at Galicyjska 9 street. The venue has good communication connections with the city centre (7 km), the Main Railway Station (7 km), Balice Airport (20 km) and the bypass.

Nar-Anon

In the spirit of cooperation, not affiliation, ECCNA 34 will provide space for Nar-Anon to hold meetings throughout the weekend in the convention center. Nar-Anon members will need to register for ECCNA and wear a ECCNA badge to attend the coffeehouses, events etc.

Program Coming Soon!

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of Narcotics Anonymous
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www.edmna.org

Canadian Assembly

Their current projects include contacting national organizations (Corrections Canada, Health Canada, Indigenous and Northern Affairs), a social media PSA campaign, creating a "How to" guide for putting on a web service meeting, and translating IP#1 into the northern indigenous languages.

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NA Membership Survey 2018



The European Delegates Meeting (EDM) collaborated with NAWs for the 2016 Membership Survey and are asked to encouraging participation from European members for the upcoming 2018 Membership Survey, which will be online September 4, 2018. Completing this survey helps us provide information for professionals which is vital for our PR efforts and helps enhance NA's viability and credibility. More information in the next EDM NEWS and on NAWs website .

LISBON ADDICTIONS



2017

SECOND EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON ADDICTIVE BEHAVIOURS AND DEPENDENCIES

About Lisbon Addictions 2017 - 24 to 26 of October:

Lisbon Addictions 2017, the second European Conference on Addictive Behaviours and Dependencies is a multidisciplinary conference that provides a forum for networking across the addictions. Over 1.300 participants from 71 countries attended Lisbon Addictions 2017. The conference was jointly organized by the Portuguese General Directorate for Intervention on Addictive Behaviours and Dependencies (SICAD), the journal Addiction, the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) and the International Society of Addiction Journal Editors (ISAJE).

Following EDM decisions and the PR point-person directions, 2 members of the Portuguese Fellowship attended this conference and put up an exhibitor stand on the Lisbon Conference for the 3 days of the event. At the Winter EDM in Greece there will be a report about this PR Task.

NA World Service Conference 29 April - 5 May 2018, Los Angeles, USA

The final part of our service structure is the World Service Conference (WSC). Our conference is the one time and place where all of our world services come together. Unlike all other service bodies of NA service, the conference is not an entity, it is an event—the coming together. Every two years, regional delegates, the members of the World Board, and the executive director of the World Service Office meet to discuss questions of significance to the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous as a whole. The purpose of the World Service Conference is to be supportive of the Fellowship as a whole and to define and take action according to the group conscience of Narcotics Anonymous.

The WSC through the World Board is responsible for the NA World Service Office located in the Chatsworth, neighborhood of Los Angeles, California, United States.



One Day At A Time

EDM Cleantime Anniversaries September - February

26. September 2017	Leo	RD Sweden alt.	24 years
08. October 2017	Catherine	RD Norway alt.	21 years
24. October 2017	Francois d.C.	RD France	25 years
16. November 2017	Claus A.	RD Denmark alt.	17 years
30. November 2017	Vasco G.	EDM Treasurer	22 years
05. December 2017	Alexander	RD Ukraine alt.	6 years
06. December 2017	Lenka	EDM Vice-Secretary	16 years
21. December 2017	Serkan	RD Turkey	6 years
24. December 2017	Jaan V.	RD Estonia	14 years
26. December 2017	Alex A.	RD Ukraine	14 years
31. December 2017	Sebastian S.M.	RD Spain alt.	9 years
31. December 2017	Lars R.	RD Denmark alt.	12 years
01. January 2018	Vangelos K.	RD Greece	6 years
15. January 2018	Maciek	RD Poland	20years
17. January 2018	Dorin P.	Media Coordinator	6 years
28. January 2018	John E.	RD Finland	9 years
29. January 2018	Giedrius	RD Lithuania	12 years
01. February 2018	Julien G.	RD France alt.	23 years
15. February 2018	Udo B.	FD Vice-Chair	21 years
16. February 2018	Martijn F.	RD Netherlands	8 years
19. February 2018	Mahmoud	RD Egypt	13 years

Ukraine Region NA Convention

18 - 20 May 2018
Odessa, Ukraine
„27 Years Day by Day“

Spain Region NA Convention

15 - 17 September 2017
Salou (Tarragona), Spain
„DesencadeNAdos“

Czecho-Slovak Region NA Convention

11 - 13 May 2018
Bratislava, Slovakia

Latvia Region NA Convention

8 - 10 June 2018
Jurmala, Latvia
„We made a decision to stay clean“

Finland Region NA Convention

17 - 19 August 2018
30 Years Convention
Turku, Finland
„New Beginning“

Netherland Region NA Convention

10 -12 August 2018
Amsterdam, Netherland
30 Years Convention
„Experience, Strenght, Hope“

European NA Events

More details on regional websites:
www.edmna.org/regions



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