## Seminar on the use of New Psychoactive Substances in Belgium

22 September 2017 à 09:30 - 15:00 CEST 50€

The project 'Understanding NPS use in Belgium from a health perspective' starts with a seminar, **Friday 22nd September 2017**, on the state of affairs on NPS.

New Psychoactive Substances (legal highs, research chemicals,...) have become a global phenomenon affecting all regions in the world. This relatively new phenomenon and the rapidly changing drug market associated, could however pose serious health and social risks.

The **NPS-care project**, a Belgian research initiative titled "Understanding New Psychoactive Substance (NPS) use in Belgium from a health perspective" aims to get thorough insights on this rising trend and gathers the much needed scientific data that are currently still scarce in Belgium.

At this seminar you will expand your knowledge getting first-hand info from the research network hosting the event along with a selected panel of international proven authorities on NPS.

You will get an introduction to the NPS-care project as well as a presentation of the EMCDDA's new report on (problematic) use of NPS in Europe. Furthermore we will share our latest findings on scientific testing of NPS in Belgium. Dr. Fernando Caudevilla, aka Dr. X, will share his story on deep web Harm Reduction.

You will also get the unique opportunity to witness a live demonstration of browsing the 'Tripsit' website by one of the founders of this volunteer-based information treasury on Substance Use and Harm Reduction.

In the afternoon, you can join one of three parallel workshops, focusing on

- Prevention and treatment approaches towards NPS-use,
- Harm Reduction on NPS-use in Nightlife or
- NPS-use in low-threshold settings