

2008 discharge: European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)

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PURPOSE: presentation of the final accounts of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) for the 2008 financial year.

CONTENT: this document sets out a detailed account of the implementation of the EMCDDA's 2008 budget. It indicates that EMCDDA's final budget amounted to EUR 15.1 million in 2008 (compared with EUR 14.4 million in 2007) 93% of which is derived from a Community subsidy.

In terms of personnel, the EMCDDA, whose headquarters are in Lisbon (Portugal) had 82 posts in its establishment plan, 78 of which are occupied and 26 others (auxiliary contracts, contract staff and temporary replacements) amounting to 104 posts undertaking operational, administrative or mixed tasks.

In 2008, the EMCDDA's activities mainly focused on:

Reitox Network: the Centre runs a computerised network for the collection and exchange of information called the 'European Information Network on Drugs and Drug Addiction' (Reitox). This network connects national drug information networks, specialist centres in the Member States and the information systems of international organisations working with the Centre.

Publications

- Annual report on the state of the drug problem in Europe (23 language versions, publication and interactive website),
- Selected issues: 3 issues, publication, multilingual summaries EN,
- Statistical bulletin and interactive website containing over 350 tables, 100 graphs,
- General report of activities (annual, EN)
- Drugnet Europe newsletter - 4 issues, EN,
- Drugs in Focus (policy briefings) - 1 issue, 25 language versions,
- EMCDDA Scientific monograph - 1, two volumes, EN,
- EMCDDA Insights - 3, EN,
- EMCDDA technical datasheets - 3,
- Drug profiles - 5 new and 6 updated, DE, EN, FR,
- Technical and scientific studies, including articles and scientific summaries 53,
- Data collection, validation, storage and retrieval system (Fonte).

Other websites: set-up/updating/content development of public EMCDDA website including:

- country overviews,
- drug treatment overviews,
- european legal database on drugs,
- evaluation instruments bank,
- best practice portal (exchange on drug demand reduction action).

Promotional brochures: 6 products.

Media products: 177 miscellaneous products.

Participation in international conferences/meetings: 203.

Organisation of technical and scientific meetings: 35.

The Observatory's full accounts are available from the following address: <http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/html.cfm/index81990EN.html>