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Programme

10 Years of Change –

Exploring Next Frontiers of Ending Domestic Violence

21-23 October 2024, Berlin (Germany)

LOCATION: Festsaal der Berliner Stadtmission
Lehrter Straße 68
10557 Berlin

MODERATION: Anna McKenzie



Anna McKenzie (she/her) is a social scientist and communications specialist. After a Bachelor's degree in Social and Cultural Anthropology at the University of Vienna, she graduated with an M.A. in Transdisciplinary Gender Studies from Humboldt University Berlin. Anna was a member of the WWP EN Team for many years and is overjoyed to welcome conference participants as the moderator for the organisation's anniversary in Berlin.

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21 OCTOBER: 11:30-17:30 CET

11:30 Registration

12:00 Registration & lunch

13:00 Welcome & opening remarks

Anna McKenzie

Dean Ajduković, Chair of the WWP EN Board

Linda Conradi, Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft Täterarbeit Häusliche Gewalt e.V.

13:20 Institutional greetings

Lisa Paus (German Federal Minister for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth) – via video message

Phedra Luna Neel (Gender Equality Unit, DG Justice and Consumers, European Commission)

13:40 Celebrating 10 years of WWP EN

Dr Alessandra Pauncz (WWP EN)

14:00 Keynote Speech: Addressing Women's Use of Force in a Nonviolence Program and a Coordinated Community Response

followed by Q&A

Melissa Scaia (Domestic violence expert, USA)

14:55 Break

15:15 Presentation: Integrating perpetrator programmes in prevention work: findings from the monitoring of the Istanbul Convention

Johanna Nelles (Secretariat to the Istanbul Convention, Council of Europe)

15:35 Group picture

16:00 Workshops 1-5 ([more information](#))

18:00 Dinner at conference venue

22 OCTOBER: 8:30-17:30 CET

8.30 Registration

9:00 Overview of the day

Anna McKenzie

9:05 Greetings

Cristina Fabr  (European Institute for Gender Equality)

9:15 Keynote Speech: Domestic Abuse in the Relationships of LGBT+ People: a focus on perpetrators

followed by Q&A

Prof Catherine Donovan (Durham University, UK)

10:10 Plenary Workshop: Ending Violence Against Women – How European Standards for Perpetrator Programmes Help Us Do a Better Job

Sandra Jovanovi  Beloti  (WWP EN)

10:55 Break

11:15 Greetings

Annie Devos (Confederation of European Probation)

11:25 Plenary Workshop: Examining Power, Families and Violence When Working with Women Who Use Force

Melissa Scaia (Domestic violence expert, USA)

13:25 Lunch break & networking

14:25 10 Years of WWP EN – Interactive Activity

15:00 Annual General Meeting (members only)

19:00 Anniversary celebration at Old Smithy’s Dizzle (with Anniversary Celebration ticket only)

Mainzer Stra e 16, 10247 Berlin

23 OCTOBER: 9:00-13:10 CET

9:00 Registration

9:30 Workshops 6-10 ([More information](#))

11:05 Overview of the day

Anna McKenzie

11:10 Greetings

Gustav Tallving (EuroPris)

11:20 Presentation: REPROVIDE's Evaluation of a Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Programme - Navigating the Challenges of Randomised Control Trials

Dr Nathan Eisenstadt (University of Bristol, UK)

11:40 Break

11:50 Promoting Equality and Inclusion in Practice - Understanding and Responding to Intimate Partner Violence in LGBTQ+ Relationships followed by Q&A

Adam Kirkbride (Foundation, UK)

Dr Tuuli Reiss (Bundesverband Trans*, Germany)

Michał Muskała (psychotherapist & addiction therapist, Poland)

13:00 Conference closing & take-away lunch



Speakers

Keynote Speech: Addressing Women's Use of Force in a Nonviolence Program and a Coordinated Community Response

When women use force in intimate partner relationships, how do we effectively intervene? Are the women who are using force and violence using coercive-controlling violence and abuse (battering), resistive violence, or neither? Does the community have a differentiated response for these cases or are all cases of domestic violence treated the same? What are effective interventions that address both the violence women experience and the violence they use? This session will explore these questions.

Interventions to end domestic violence that are successful account for 1) the perpetrator; 2) the victim of the violence; 3) those who are in relationships with the perpetrator and/or victim (children, family members, friends); and 4) the outside intervener. When there is agreement amongst interveners on the intent and context of domestic violence, the role of the intervener is clear. The legal system and social movement that organized to create legal and community interventions to address coercive-controlling violence and abuse (battering), has failed to recognize, define, and distinguish among various forms of domestic violence. This session will also share how leaders in Duluth, Minnesota, developed the Crossroads Program and then the Blueprint for Safety to address women's use of force in a Coordinated Community Response (CCR).



Melissa Scaia (she/her) has addressed gender-based violence (GBV) for 25 years. She works part-time for [Domestic Abuse Project](#) in their men's perpetrator program and coordinates the Minneapolis Coordinated Community Response (CCR). She is an international consultant for UN Women on GBV. As a researcher, international trainer, and co-author of [Domestic Violence Turning Points](#), she focuses on addressing women's use of violence in a CCR and non-violence program. She also co-wrote a curriculum for working with perpetrators as fathers entitled, [Addressing Fatherhood with Men Who Batter](#). She is the former Director of International Training at [Global Rights for Women](#) and former executive director of [Domestic Abuse Intervention Programs](#) (DAIP), also known as "the Duluth Model." She started as an advocate and then became the executive director

of [Advocates for Family Peace](#) (AFFP) where she worked for 17 years. Her master's was on the effects of domestic violence on children and wrote her doctoral dissertation proposal on addressing post-separation violence. She serves on the steering committee for the US's National Network of Abuse Intervention Programs. Recently she was given the COMPASS award for her work on women's use of violence. She is also a court expert witness on domestic violence.

Presentation: Integrating Perpetrator Programmes in Prevention Work – Findings from the Monitoring of the Istanbul Convention

In her presentation, Johanna Nelles will trace the importance of working with perpetrators for the prevention of domestic and sexual violence, thus explaining how and why the standards of the Istanbul Convention are situated in the context of prevention measures. She will offer a comprehensive overview of findings on the level of implementation in the 38 parties to the Istanbul Convention as identified by the independent Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO) and the recommendations of the Committee of the Parties issued on this basis. The presentation will focus on progress made as well as shortcomings that remain, shared across a number of parties to the Istanbul Convention. In her talk, Johanna will also explain the importance of the recent Council of Europe publication "[Guidance for safe and effective perpetrator programmes: Article 16 of the Istanbul Convention](#)", which WWP EN co-developed.



Johanna Nelles (she/her) is a human rights lawyer specialised in women's rights, and more specifically in violence against women. She is a law graduate from the University of Heidelberg and holds a master's degree in human rights and democratisation from the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation in Venice. Since 2006, she has been working on violence against women for the Council of Europe, in particular its Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence. Johanna served the

convention's drafting committee as co-secretary - assisting negotiations, providing different drafts, organising committee meetings - and helped set up the monitoring mechanism of the Istanbul Convention. In 2020, she took on the role of Executive Secretary to the Convention and that of Head of the Violence against Women Division

which looks after the monitoring mechanism of the Istanbul Convention. In 2023, Johanna spent a semester as a research fellow at McGill University Law Faculty, researching into treaty body findings on women's and children's rights in custody decisions after intimate partner violence. She resumed her functions as Executive Secretary to the Istanbul Convention in 2024.

Keynote Speech: Domestic Abuse in the Relationships of LGBT+ People: a focus on perpetrators

In this presentation I consider the similarities and differences between domestic Abuse in the relationships of LGBT+ and heterosexual people including in how they are perceived by help-providers. The public story of domestic abuse is that this is a problem of heterosexual cis men for heterosexual cis women; a problem of physical violence; a problem of a particular presentation of gender – the big 'strong' man being physically violent towards the small, 'weak' woman. For those who do not see themselves in this story it is both hard to tell their own story of domestic abuse and difficult to get their story heard. Two men in a relationship are assumed to be able to defend themselves; and two women in a relationship, it is believed, cannot cause harm because women are not aggressive. Risk assessments can be unreliable and often such relationships are understood to be mutual abuse. The Coral Power and Control Wheel with Space for Reaction offers a way of thinking about how power operates in abusive relationships even when both partners are apparently abusive. Perpetrators who are LGBT+ are rarely researched. In this presentation, I explore why that might be and how we can better understand them.



Dr Catherine Donovan (she/they, her/them) is Professor of Sociology and Head of Department at Durham University. Catherine has researched the family and intimate lives of lesbians, gay men, bisexual women and men and, more recently, trans and non-binary people for nearly 30 years focussing in recent years on domestic and sexual abuse. With colleagues she has conducted the first multi-method research comparing love and violence in same sex and heterosexual relationships (Donovan and Hester, 2015) and the first focussing on the abusive behaviours of LGB and/or T+ folk (Donovan and Barnes, 2020). With Barnes she has built on the COHAR Power and Control Wheel to create the Coral Project Power and Control Wheel with Space

for Reaction which enables practitioners to better identify abusive power dynamics and question mutual abuse in 'same sex' relationships. Her research also includes sexual violence in universities with a focus on minoritised students and working on developing and/or evaluating prevention programmes such as for active bystanders; and has also included work on relationship and sex education. Catherine is on the Board of WWIN, a domestic abuse service in Sunderland and the UK Drive Project's national working group developing interventions for LGBTQ+ perpetrators of domestic abuse.

Plenary workshop: Ending Violence Against Women – How European Standards for Perpetrator Programmes Help Us Do a Better Job

This interactive session will delve into the European Standards for Perpetrator Programmes, a groundbreaking framework designed to enhance the effectiveness and consistency of perpetrator interventions across Europe. These standards represent a significant milestone in the effort to combat domestic violence by providing a comprehensive set of guidelines that ensure the safety of victims and the accountability of perpetrators.

Working with perpetrators of violence against women is a necessary and effective but also complex intervention, raising many critical questions: How can we ensure that survivors of violence are safe while we work with perpetrators? How can we guarantee that our work produces the desired results? How can we show that we are doing good work? The standards compile existing research, international guidance, practical insights, and information about common pitfalls in implementation, providing clear guidance for perpetrator programme professionals. They are also essential for policy and decision-makers, researchers, and women support services in their efforts to design a comprehensive multi-agency framework to end violence against women.

The workshop will explore the development of the European standards as a continuous process, present the key aspects of the standards, and demonstrate how they can be utilized to improve practices in different countries and regions. Participants will learn how these standards ensure that perpetrator programmes are evidence-based and practice-informed, having integrated the voices of professionals to create effective and accountable interventions.



Sandra Jovanović Belotić (she/her) is a Training and Capacity Building Manager at the European Network for the Work with Perpetrators of Domestic Violence. She is supporting programmes for perpetrators of domestic violence in Europe through the development of the trainings, mentoring, European Standards for Perpetrator Programmes, and the European Accreditation for Perpetrator Programmes. Sandra is a psychologist with more than 10 years of experience in the domestic violence

field. She has provided psychological support for women and children exposed to violence, ran the first Serbian perpetrator group and founded the National Network for the Work with Perpetrators of Violence Serbia (OPNA).

Plenary Workshop: Examining Power, Families and Violence When Working with Women Who Use Force

Violence in intimate partner relationships and families inherently creates a power differential. This session includes an interactive exercise to examine the role and influence of power in society, institutions, and our own relationships and families. The exercise will have participants examine questions such as: How do those with the most power maintain their position? How do those with the most power want those with the least power to feel about themselves? How do those in the middle act towards those with the most power? How do those with the least amount of power resist their position? Take some control over their lives?

This session will provide a framework to deepen our understanding of the role of power and violence in relationships, families, institutions, and culture. The hierarchical structure of a pyramid is not an abstract political image, but a useful depiction of power and oppression. This structure does not allow for everyone to fully thrive, grow, or experience autonomy. When this structure is being held together by coercion, threats, and intimidation, it is oppressive. This exercise is being used in Melissa's training "Addressing Women's Use of Violence in a Coordinated Community Response (CCR) and Nonviolence Program". During this session, participants will be shown how this framework can be used in a group exercise with perpetrators, women who use force, and/or survivors.

Melissa Scaia

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Presentation: REPROVIDE's Evaluation of a Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Programme - Navigating the Challenges of Randomised Control Trials

REPROVIDE is a pioneering randomised controlled trial (RCT) of the effectiveness and cost effectiveness of a 23-week a domestic abuse perpetrator programme (DAPP) with integrated partner support. The intervention has been delivered across four sites in England and Wales since December 2019 and the research is currently in the analysis phase. While the commissioning landscape prioritises the RCT as the 'gold standard' of evidence, DAPPs, as complex social interventions, have been notoriously challenging to demonstrate effectiveness via this method. Drop out from such studies is often high and the control arm can 'muddled' by other interventions taking place alongside the one being tested. RCTs also pose ethical questions – how, for example, can we justify denying service to those in the control group and what level of incentive is too high to encourage control participants to remain engaged in the research? In this talk we present initial findings of the REPROVIDE study, reflect on the ethical and practical challenges of the RCT as a method and draw on extensive qualitative and case study research to unpack the idea of DAPP 'effectiveness'.



Dr Nathan Eisenstadt (he/him) is a Senior Research Associate at University of Bristol Medical School, Domestic Violence and Health Group specialising in prevention and response to gender-based violence (GBV), with a focus on men and boys. Nathan evaluated the Drive Pilot addressing high-risk perpetrators of domestic abuse and currently works on Reprovide – a pioneering Randomised Controlled Trial of a domestic abuse behaviour change programme for men. He is an honorary research associate at University Exeter for work on bystander intervention and with Dr. Rachel Fenton, co-founder and Director Kindling

Transformative Interventions which offers evidence-led bystander intervention training for the prevention GBV and the creation of flourishing workplace cultures. Kindling works with large statutory organisations, the private sector, universities, sporting bodies and in general communities on a range of bespoke programmes and are currently delivering a 3-year national bystander programme for the Welsh Government.

Panel discussion: Promoting Equality and Inclusion in Practice - Understanding and Responding to Intimate Partner Violence in LGBTQ+ Relationships

Panellists:



Adam Kirkbride (he/him or they/them) is a frontline practitioner working in York, UK. He has worked for Foundation UK since 2022, initially on the Positive Choices Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Programme, where he worked as an intervention worker. At Positive Choices Adam also worked as an engagement worker, designing and delivering training to professionals on engaging people who harm in conversations about domestic abuse. Since April 2024 he has worked for Foundation UK's male wellbeing service as a wellbeing navigator. Before working for Foundation, Adam worked for York St John University as a researcher, designing and delivering Bystander Intervention Training. He is also a member of the Drive Partnership's LGBT+ Practitioners Working Group and sits on their LGBT+ Steering Group for Intervention Design. Adam has an MA in Contemporary Literature from York St John University. His MA dissertation explored recovery from trauma in literature which represents traumatic bereavement and domestic abuse.



Dr Tuuli Reiss (they/them or none) is a white, abled, and neurodiverse transfeminine non-binary activist and has worked as a psycho-social counselor for refugees as well as trans*, inter and non-binary people. Tuuli is currently serving as a founding board member for TINQnet, a Munich-based queer NGO; as spokesperson for health policy and anti-violence matters at Bundesverband Trans* in Berlin; as well as chairperson for the German Istanbul Convention Alliance ("Bündnis Istanbul-Konvention").



Michał Muskala (he/him) holds MAs in both Psychology and Sociology and is a certified CBT psychotherapist and addiction therapist based in Poland. He collaborates with NGOs focused on violence prevention and therapeutic support for individuals affected by violence. He has experience working with abusive men and women in individual and group settings. Michał also provides specialized care for LGBTQ+ and GSRD (Gender, Sexual and Relationship Diversity) clients at HIV and STI testing center in Warsaw. Additionally, he offers support to men engaging in chemsex - those who combine sexual activity with the intentional use of psychoactive substances, often facilitated through hook-up apps.



Workshops

Workshop 1: Mandatory programme for women violent in intimate relationships – gender equality or gender injustice?

Prof. dr. sc. Marina Ajduković (she/her) (Society for psychological assistance, Croatia)

This workshop will have two parts. Firstly, participants will be invited to discuss the following conceptual frameworks along the question: Is mandatory treatment programme for women violent in intimate relationships contributing to gender equality or gender injustice?

Gender injustice

- Increased reliance on pro-arrest policies for IPV results in criminalizing women's use of self-defensive actions in abusive situations because the women victims of IPV are falsely identified only as offenders.
- The context and nature of women's violence is qualitatively different from the men's IPV.
- Inability or unwillingness of law enforcement system to distinguish between primary aggressors and self-defence actions in intimate relationships. Are women more often arrested when seen by police as stepping out of the traditional gender role?

Gender equality

- The female offender's programme offers a win-win situation. Evaluation of programmes for women showed that they are satisfied with it and that programmes help them cope better with daily stress and increase own safety.
- Equal treatment for the same offences in the juridical system is a basic human right.

Secondly, a mandatory group treatment for female perpetrators of intimate partner violence in Croatia will be presented. The programme will be compared with experiences in the USA and treatment for male perpetrators in Croatia and focus on the adjustments in the programme for women.

Workshop 2: ‘Breathing Space’ – Australian Residential Men’s Behaviour Change Program

Melissa Perry (she/her) (Communicare, Australia)

Breathing Space was the first residential Men’s Behaviour Change Program in the southern hemisphere. It has been in operation in Western Australia since 2003. In 2022, a second facility was opened in an Aboriginal regional community.

The program is an alternative to removing women and children from the family home. Breathing Space is a 6-month intensive men’s behaviour change program specifically designed for men who choose to use violence and abuse in their relationships with intimate partners or family members. The program is based on a therapeutic community model and includes educational group work, counselling, individual case management and advocacy. An evaluation in 2021 found that the program was effective in improving targeted behaviour, including reductions in psychological abuse, trait anger, control of anger expression, emotional stability and propensity for abusiveness. Crucially, feedback from victim-survivors was positive.

There are very few residential programs globally and this workshop will be an opportunity to learn from each other and share benefits and outcomes.

Workshop 3: Trauma responsive approaches in perpetrator work

Dianne Thom (she/her) and Gill McKinna (she/her) (Community Justice Scotland)

Our workshop will focus on trauma responsive approaches in perpetrator work. The workshop will include a presentation on the need to be trauma responsive in this line of work and how this understanding has developed over the last ten years. Topics that will be explored in the main presentation and in small interactive groups within the allocated time will be:

- What trauma informed practice is
- Principles of trauma informed practice
- A practical exploration of exercises that can be used with men in a trauma informed manner
- Trauma informed worker self-care
- Possibilities of vicarious post-traumatic growth for workers – nurturing this in front line practice

The expected outcome will be that attendees will have an understanding of the need to be trauma informed in this line of work and the benefits that it can bring in the delivery of perpetrator programmes, as well as experience of exercises that can be delivered in a trauma-informed manner. They will also have an understanding of how to nurture self-growth when working in this challenging environment.

Workshop 4: Draw your lines

Elena Di Blasio (she/her) & Glenda Marafante (she/her) (CIPM Emilia Association, Italy)

In this workshop, we will present some tools, based on informal pedagogy, that are the result of the European project “DRAW: Draw the line of safety - Positive and Safe Sexuality, Prevention of Gender based Violence for Youth through Art” (ERASMUS+). During the workshop, the facilitators will engage participants with training activities (body activations, drama and arts) to explore the topics of boundaries, consent, recognition of early signs of violence, to prevent violence and build safe relationships. One of the goals is to help the workers to reflect on how these toolkits can be enriching to the work with clients.

Workshop 5: Domestic violence perpetrators in social and health care services and perpetrator programmes in Finland

Salla Kaikkonen (she/her) (Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare)

Perpetrator work involves the identification and rehabilitation of violent behavior. In the workshop, we will present the results of two national surveys that investigated 1) social and health care professionals' responses when encountering DV perpetrators in their work (n = 3274), and 2) the current state and content of DV and sexual violence perpetrator programmes in Finland. Additionally, we will prompt discussions on how perpetrator work is organized and funded in different European countries for mutual learning.

Workshop 6: Intersecting identities and intimate partner violence: Lessons from The Coral Project Power, Control and Space for Reaction Wheel

Alex Irving (they/them) (The Drive Partnership, UK), Professor Catherine Donovan (she/they, her/them) (Durham University, UK) & Adam Kirkbride (he/him or they/them) (Foundation, UK)

This workshop is a collaboration between Professor Catherine Donovan, academic at Durham University; Alex Irving, systems change and practice development lead for The Drive Partnership; and Adam Kirkbride, a frontline practitioner and designer of the casework tool. The workshop will take delegates through the journey of The Coral Project Power, Control, and Space for Reaction Wheel, moving from an academic resource to a workforce development programme for frontline practitioners to a practical casework tool designed to aid service users who have been violent towards their partner regardless of the service user's gender or sexual identity. The tool invites service users to consider the power imbalances in their relationships, the expectations they have of their partners, and how individual identities affect their ability to help seek.

This workshop will be particularly useful for practitioners engaging with LGB and/or T people causing harm.

The workshop will have two aims:

1. Explore The Coral Project Power, Control and Space Reaction Wheel as an alternate resource, allowing for a wider exploration of relationship rules, decision-making processes, intersecting macro and micro-identities, practices of love within a relationship, and how an individual's behaviour may be their space for reaction towards a violent or controlling partner.
2. Demonstrate the benefits and effectiveness of cross sector collaboration to bring a whole systems response to domestic abuse.

Workshop 7: Explore your Anger - 10 years of experiences working with perpetrators of domestic violence in Czech Republic

Jan Drobny (League of Open-Minded Men, Czech Republic)

This workshop will shortly describe the development of our therapeutically and practice-based program for perpetrators of domestic violence in Czech Republic. It will include a short description and history of our program and methodology, but mainly focus on practical exercises. Emotional regulation is one element of our work with perpetrators and this workshop will zoom in on this aspect. All participants of the workshop will have an opportunity to create their own Ladder of Anger to explore the main triggers of their anger and also map their resources which are supporting them to manage their anger. In an educational and fun way, I will try to give the participants the tools to work with their anger.

Workshop 8: Invisible victims: orphans of domestic violence

Oana Sandu (she/her) (A.L.E.G, Romania) & Sandra Jovanović Belotić (she/her) (WWP EN)

In 2021, 720 women were murdered by an intimate partner, family member or relative in 17 EU Member States, according to Eurostat. What happens to their children? The orphans of domestic violence and their caregivers live in shame and trauma, without being recognized by the authorities as direct victims of intimate partner crimes. In some cases, perpetrators continue to harm children and their caregivers while in prison. During this workshop, Oana Sandu, a journalist and researcher from Romania, will dismantle this hidden social issue through personal stories of orphans and caregivers who had the courage to speak about their problems and needs.

Workshop 9: Domestic abuse and systemic work: Dublin Safer Families Service's model of working with victims, children, and perpetrators

Margaret Joyce (she/her) & Tom Kiernan (he/him) (Dublin Safer Families Service, Ireland)

This workshop will consist of a brief overview of the systemic model used by Dublin Safer Families Service with a focus on why a Systemic Model is used with Victims, Children and Perpetrators in order to address Domestic Violence and Abuse in families

and increase safety. Dublin Safer Families Service is a new frontier in Ireland addressing Domestic Violence and Abuse using a Systemic Model and is part of the Daughters of Charity Child and Family Service. The work of Dublin Safer Families Service is evidence-based and is the subject of ongoing research by the Trinity Research in Childhood Centre, Trinity College Dublin.

There will also be some break-out discussions facilitated to afford participants an opportunity to consider and discuss Domestic Violence and Abuse from a Systemic perspective. This will be followed by an opportunity for feedback and questions to the facilitators.

Workshop 10: Innovative strategies: the role of the support person in intervention programmes with perpetrators

Manuel Roldán-Pardo (he/him), Cristina Expósito-Álvarez (she/her) and Marisol Lila (she/her) (Contexto Programme, Universitat de València, Spain)

In Spain, one of the main challenges in intervention programs for intimate partner violence (IPV) perpetrators is the lack of coordination between victim support services and perpetrator programmes due to legal restrictions. As a result, participants' risk assessments are based on information reported by the perpetrator and facilitators. To overcome this challenge, a promising practice recently developed by Programa Contexto includes the incorporation of a support person from the participants' close social network into the intervention process. This protocol included two interviews with the support person and their involvement in homework activities. In addition, the support person could become a valuable source of information regarding the participant's reality, personal context and risk factors. Thus, the support person can help identify potential escalations in the participant's risk of recidivism.

This workshop will include an explanation of the current challenges in perpetrator work in Spain, a presentation of the protocol of the support person and its strategies. We will propose a role-playing (two facilitators and one participant) based on real cases of participants and support persons to carry out risk assessments and propose strategies to promote the process of change of the perpetrators. We will allow time for reflection and feedback from participants at the end of the workshop. Implications for practice will be discussed.