

FEANTSA ANNUAL POLICY CONFERENCE

HOMELESSNESS,

A LOCAL

PHENOMENON...



...WITH A **EUROPEAN**DIMENSION

KEY STEPS TO CONNECT COMMUNITIES TO EUROPE

18-19-20 JUNE 2015 PARIS, FRANCE

PROGRAMME

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CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

1

To Support policy and practice in the field of homelessness, with a focus on social service/policy innovation.

2

To link local realities to different European policy/ legal frameworks, demonstrating where synergies exist already and reflect on potential synergies.

3

To provide space for the emergence of new transnational dynamics through organised networking hotspots.



BACKGROUND: LINKING LOCAL AND EUROPEAN REALITIES

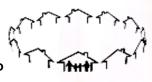
The European Commission stepped up efforts in 2013 by publishing policy guidance to support Member States in their actions to confront homelessness, and programmes targeting homeless people are now eligible under the new European Structural and Investment Funds and under the Fund for European Aid to the most Deprived. The European Parliament has twice called for an EU homelessness strategy (in 2011 and 2014), and the EU Committee of the Regions reiterated this call end of June 2014.

Social Europe consists of two fundamental dimensions: 1. The European political arena in Brussels with all its institutional and non-institutional players pushing the EU social agenda 2. The transnational political arena which spans 28 EU countries and neighbouring countries, regularly bringing together social practitioners to exchange innovative policies/practices. Funded mostly by the European Commission, FEANTSA's key objective is to tackle and prevent homelessness, working in both these arenas to promote the rights of people experiencing homelessness.

There are currently two new emerging trends: on the one hand, the new European Commission (which started a 5-year mandate on 1st November 2014) wishes to get closer to local communities and citizens, to show the relevance of its work in their daily lives; on the other hand, experts in the field of homelessness (people with experience of homelessness, social workers, researchers, national/regional civil servants, local policy-makers and others) are increasingly interested in Brussels and neighbouring countries, always on the lookout for solutions and innovation.

FEANTSA is a European network which knows well these two (sub)national and European realities, and we would like our 2015 conference to link these two worlds in order to create new synergies.

PROGRAMME AND NETWORKING



We are organizing a conference from Thursday 18 to Saturday 20 June 2015, in Paris.

18 June: Visits and side meetings in the afternoon

19 June: Plenaries and workshops in the Paris Town Hall*

20 June: Networking hotspots in the morning in the Palais de la Femme

From 14h00 on **18 June**, we will have various service visits to see some of the solutions to homelessness in Paris, combined with some open and closed side events. This will then be followed by a dinner in the evening. On **19 June**, we will gather the 300 participants in two plenary sessions, and in 12 parallel Workshop Sessions (with maximum 50 participants each). Each workshop will start with presentations from 2-3 keynote speakers, followed by space for group discussions. On **20 June**, various networking hotspots will bring together like-minded people (forward-thinkers open to European cooperation and exchange) with great intentions to network strategically in meetings and creative spaces.

The main **working language** of the conference will be English. Informal EN/FR translation will be provided by volunteers during the site visits on 18 June. Official EN/FR translation will be provided in the plenary sessions, and in 6 out of 12 workshops (see below) on 19 June. The networking hotspots will be in English only (with informal translation where possible) on 20 June.

Deadline for registrations: 1 June 2015

*Technical information: there is no wifi code for the Paris Town Hall. You just need to enter the required information (usually an email address) when you connect.

THURSDAY 18 JUNE

14h00-18h00

Pre-conference activities on arrival in Paris

Before participants all convene on the Friday morning, there are a number of opportunities on the Thursday afternoon to already get familiar with the realities of tackling homelessness in Paris through a selection of service visits, and to start networking with people from across France and Europe.

« Focus on Paris » : Service visits

Themes of the visits include: Culture, Employment/Social economy, Health, Housing/ Shelter, Primary assistance, Support, and Youth. Most of these visits are within Paris, and some are outside of Paris but accessible by metro/RER. If you register for the visits, you will receive instructions early June on how to get to the meeting point for each visit. Each visit will consist of 15-25 people, and they will last about 3 hours. This will be an opportunity to see some of the realities that Paris services work in and to already start networking with French and European practitioners attending the conference. See more detailed service descriptions in the Annex.

Culture and inclusion

*Tour of Paris by people with experience of homelessness

*Centre Louvel Tessier - Support and cultural activities

Employment/Social economy

*Archipel - Inclusion and social mix

*Emmaus Défi - Reintegration through employment and inclusion opportunities

Health

*ACT-LHSS 93 - Emergency health services for homeless people

*Sleep In - Emergency health services for substance abusers

*CAARUD - Health and outreach work

Housing/Shelter

*Cité Jacomet - Emergency shelter

*Thermophyles - Semi-collective housing solutions

*Solidarités Nouvelles pour le Logement « Very » social housing

Primary assistance

*Mie de Pain - Day centre

*SIAO - online database of temporary accommodation supply

Support

*Cité Saint Martin - Multi-disciplinary support in housing

*Housing First pilot in Paris

Youth

*LAI - Prevention of youth homelessness

*CLLAJ - Youth housing support

*CHU Plurielles - Emergency shelter for young women

Side meetings

09h00-17h00

Housing Rights Watch and Jurislogement seminar (open to all conference participants)

Bringing together legal and non-legal experts to discuss issues such as strategic litigation and advocacy to change policy and European rights instruments.

Languages: English and French with simultaneous interpretation

Programme Registration

Place: École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Paris-Belleville

60 boulevard de la Villette, 75019 PARIS Metro line 2: Belleville or Colonel Fabien

14h00-17h00

"Social exclusion within rail stations: what are we talking about and how can we deal with it?"

(on invitation only)

In regards to the very important train stations located in Paris such as Gare du Nord, Gare Saint Lazare, Gare Montparnasse or Gare de Lyon, Paris is particularly concerned by these situations of social exclusion. On the field, all partners (City of Paris, French State, SNCF, associations, etc.) have been acting for the last years to fight social exclusion and homelessness: now, all our efforts are united throughout a Parisian charter against homelessness (acted in feb. 2015). This document that you will find attached focuses on the specific situation of train stations. The goal that is pursued by the pre-session is to create a space for talks and benchmark concerning this question.

14h00-17h30

Informal Ministries Forum hosted by DIHAL

(on invitation only)

This is an informal network of national/regional civil servants that meets on an annual basis. Civil servants will discuss conditions and key elements for success in planning and implementing homelessness strategies, drawing on recent experiences from France and other Member States. They will also exchange on strategic planning for future European cooperation.



FRIDAY 19 JUNE

8h00-9h00 Registration			
9h30	Welcome Anne Hidalgo, Paris Mayor Christophe Girard, Mayor of the 4th arrondissement of Paris Sylvain Mathieu, Inter-ministerial Delegate for Shelter and Access to Housing, France André Gachet, Vice-President of FEANTSA Marianne Thyssen, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility (video message)		
10h00-11h00	Plenary I: How can we connect the diversity of actions to tackle homelessness at local, regional, national and European level? (EN/FR)		
	Panel discussion	Key questions to the panel	
	Moderator: MEP Sylvie Goulard	*What are the key elements of good homelessness policies? *How can we argue for homelessness reduction and pre-	
	*Mike Allen, President of FEANTSA *Maria Stratigaki, Vice mayor of Athens for Social Solidarity, Welfare and Equality, City of Athens *Tim Richter, Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness, Canada *Christophe Robert, Fondation Abbé Pierre, France *Raffaele Tangorra, Ministry of labour and social affairs, Italy	vention in a context of general budget austerity? *How can we mobilise actors and ensure better coherence between different levels of homelessness action? *What role should the European Union have in addressing homelessness?	
11h00-11h30	Coffee break		
11h30-13h30	Workshop session I: Understanding the links between Europe and its communities		
11130-131130	(Some workshops will also have European-level speakers respond to the presentations)		
	*Europe2020 and the social investment package: converting European recommendations into national homelessness strategies (EN) The review of the Finnish strategy to end long-term homelessness: facts, findings, future Juha Kaakinen,		
	Y-Foundation, Finland Developing national-level guidelines to reduce homelessness – using European Funds as a leverage for change Raffaele		
	Tangorra, Ministry of labour and social affairs, Italy		
	EU response, Andrea Meszaros, DG EMPL, European Commission Chair, Robert Aldridge, CEO, Homeless Action Scotland		
	*EU structural and investment funds – a genuine channel for supporting inclusion pathways for homeless people? (EN/FR)		
	From exclusion to employment: a model for "impossible to reach" groups under the European Social Fund Sian Tomos, GISDA, Wales, UK		
	Key steps to making the European Regional Development Fund relevant for housing homeless people Michele Trabucco, Caritas Venice, Italy		
	EU response, Nicolas Gharbi, DG REGIO, European Commission Chair, André Gachet, FEANTSA France		
	Chair, Andre Cachet, I EANTOA Hance		
	*Diversity of public financing models for homeless services across Europe: still a reality, still the future? (EN/FR)		
	Preserving diversity of homeless service funding with the transposition of the revised EU public procurement directive Michel Mercadié and Samuel Le Floch, FNARS, France		
	Public procurement threatening diversity of homeless services	among NGO service providers?	
	Kjell Larsson, Gothenburg City Mission, Sweden EU response, Paola Zanetti, DG GROW, European Commissio	n	
	Chair, Freek Spinnenwijn, FEANTSA office		
	*EU free movement of citizens and homelessness: new challenges and new opportunities (EN/FR) Cooperation strategies between Poland and the UK to support inclusion of homeless EU citizens Agnieszka Grzelka, Monar, Poland		
	Access to social benefits for economically active and inactive E decisions Herwig Verschueren, University of Antwerp, Belgium EU response, Michal Meduna, DG EMPL, European Commission Chair, Mauro Striano, FEANTSA office		
	*Using international legal instruments to drive changes at local level (EN) The Revised Social Charter of the Council of Europe – the right to housing from words to action in local courts		
	Pim Fischer and Joris Sprakel, Fischer Advocaten, The Netherlands Using international jurisprudence to advocate for better rights-based policies Regis Brillat, Council of Europe Chair, Samara Jones, FEANTSA office and Marc Uhry, Fondation Abbé Pierre, France		
	*Leaving nobody behind - is the European youth guarantee an opportunity for homeless youth? (EN) Pushing for a youth housing guarantee to facilitate access to employment and training for vulnerable youth		
	Minnis Vierikko, Youth Housing Association, Finland The right to after-care guarantee for youth leaving State care – local pilots in a European perspective		
	Stefaan Vanmulders, Flemish agency for youth welfare, Belgiur Chair, Ligia Teixeira, Head of Research & Evaluation, Crisis		

13h30-14h30	Lunch buffet	
14h30-16h30	Workshop session II: Communities as a starting point to create new European dynamics (Some workshops will also have European-level speakers respond to the presentations)	
"/ WY	*Promoting links between the homelessness sector and the domestic violence sector to find long-term housing solutions – can Europe support cross-sector cooperation? (EN) Rebuilding Shattered Lives: Raising awareness of women's homelessness, domestic violence and trauma Anna Page and Ambreen (Mimi) Butt, St Mungo's Broadway, UK Housing solutions for victims of domestic violence: a reflection on current gaps and needs which need to be addressed in the future Rosa Logar, Women Against Violence Europe, Austria EU response, Emilie Jarrett, DG JUST, European Commission Chair, Niamh Randall, Head of Policy and Communications, Simon Communities	
λ	*Bridging data gaps on homelessness - from local systems to a Europe-wide system? (EN) Using both national surveys and client record systems to support policy-making and monitoring Lars Benjaminsen, SFI research institute, Denmark Local/regional homelessness surveys and building bridges with national/European measurement systems Andrea Szabó, Habitat for Humanity Hungary, Hungary Chair, Volker Busch-Geertsema, Coordinator, European Observatory on Homelessness	
	*Promoting inclusive housing markets – is there a role for Europe? (EN/FR) Ireland's Social Housing Strategy – affordable homes in sustainable communities Bairbre NicAongusa, Department for the Environment, Community and Local Government, Ireland The state of housing markets in France and their impact on homelessness Manuel Domergue, Fondation Abbé Pierre, France EU response, Peter Pontuch, DG ECFIN, European Commission Chair, Ruth Owen, FEANTSA office	
	*Ending rough sleeping in Europe's cities – is a European alliance possible? (EN/FR) Rights-based local strategies to reach zero rough sleepers: the experience of Odense Tom Rønning, Odense local council, Denmark Criminalisation of homeless people to end rough sleeping – tackling negative legislation and attitudes Sonia Olea Ferreras, Caritas España, Spain EU response, Yoomi Renstrom, Chair SEDEC Commission, EU Committee of the Regions Chair, David Ireland, Director, BHSF	
	*Healthcare systems and homelessness in a context of austerity and budget cuts – will Europe ensure access to health for all? (EN) Cause and effect: Mental health budget cuts and the impact on homelessness Panagiota Fitsiou, Society of Social Psychiatry and Mental Health, Greece Care navigators to accompany homeless people – ensuring a continuum of care from entry to safe discharge from hospital Stan Burridge, Pathway, UK Chair, Dalma Fabian, FEANTSA office	
	*Housing First local experiments: step by step upscaling to the next level and perspectives for European cooperation (EN/FR) Key steps to mainstreaming Housing First principles in the wider local homelessness system Björn Wäst, Helsinborg local council, Sweden Joint evaluation of 9 Housing First local pilots with a view to national upscaling: key barriers and opportunities Rick Henderson, Homeless LINK, UK Chair, Maria Jose Aldanas, FEANTSA office	
16h30-17h00	Coffee break and meeting of 12 workshop chairs	
17h00-18h00	Plenary II: Concluding roundtable (EN/FR) Moderator: Freek Spinnewijn, Director of FEANTSA *Corinne Cahen, Minister of Family&Integration, Luxembourg *Dominique Versini, Paris social affairs councillor *Louis Gallois, President FNARS, France *Eurocities to be confirmed	
20h30	Dinner	

SATURDAY 20 JUNE

10h00-12h30

Networking hotspots - Venue: Palais de la Femme (metro: Charonne)

NB The networking hotspots will be in English (with informal translation where possible) and will all take place in the same venue.

European networks

European Network of Homeless Health Workers

The network meeting will be dedicated to a training session on Psychologically Informed Environments (PIE). What is a PIE? A short definition would be that 'if you asked a member of staff why they were doing something, they could answer in terms of the psychological and emotional wellbeing of the client(s)'. The PIE approach supports effective work with homeless people, and especially those with histories of complex trauma or so-called 'complex needs'. There is growing evidence of the extent and range of psychological and mental health problems affecting homeless people, and the role they play in sustaining long-term homelessness. The purpose of the training session is to introduce to members of the network the basic concepts of the PIE approach, and to give some practical ideas about how to develop psychologically informed services for homeless people. The training will be led by Dr Peter Cockersell, one of the coauthors of the British national Good Practice Guidance

Moderator: Dalma Fabian, FEANTSA office

European partnership of private foundations

(targeting foundations/funding bodies only)

Representatives from different foundations across Europe are invited to join others in discussing possibilities of cross-country cooperation on homelessness/housing exclusion.

Moderator: Freek Spinnewijn, FEANTSA office

HABITACT - European exchange forum on local homeless strategies

A network of 80+ local authorities, supported by fifteen core partners. They meet annually for peer reviews on specific local homeless policies, and are interested in European cooperation in themes such as Housing First, Prevention, Public Space, and Internal EU migration.

Moderator: Paula Caballero, FEANTSA office

HOPE - A Network of HOmeless PEople in Europe

This network was set up in 2009. HOPE network members regularly participate in FEANTSA conferences – they are experts by their past experience of homelessness. This will be an opportunity to discuss empowerment and participation of homeless people, and to further build the network.

Moderator: Harald Gjersø (HOPE President)

EU mobile citizens network

This is a newly established network which would like to share its good practice with other practitioners working on EU free movement and homelessness. The hotspot will provide an update on a currently funded Erasmus+project and will aim to bring more practitioners to help build the network further.

Moderator: Mauro Striano, FEANTSA office

Creative spaces

Building links on prevention of youth homelessness

This hotspot will gather practitioners interested in addressing youth homelessness, update participants on new and future projects of the **FEANTSA Youth** network, and will provide an opportunity to learn about initiatives in Canada to end youth homelessness (with the participation of Canadian experts Stephen Gaetz and Melanie Redman).

Moderator: Samara Jones, FEANTSA office

Communicating homelessness - New ideas

This hotspot, targeting journalists and communications professionals, will aim to provide a space where participants can brainstorm and put forward new ideas on how to effectively communicate homelessness.

Moderator: Suzannah Young, FEANTSA office

Families on the street – from inaction to trivialisation of a reality?

This meeting will enable participants to exchange ideas on this emerging reality in Europe, and discuss what action can be taken to effectively prevent the trivialisation of family homelessness in Europe.

Moderator: André Gachet, FEANTSA Vice-President

Women's homelessness World Café

On the menu: exchanges of experiences, practice, challenges. The aim of the meeting, targeting practitioners working with homeless women, will be to provide a space for the exchange of good practice on ways to address this emerging phenomenon in Europe, and identify new expertise/research/experts on women's homelessness.

Moderators: Christian Perl (BAWO Austria) and Niamh Randall (Simon Communities of Ireland)



14h00-17h00

FEANTSA General Assembly

ANNEX - SERVICE VISITS

PLEASE NOTE: ONCE YOU HAVE REGISTERED FOR THE VISITS, YOU WILL RECEIVE INSTRU<mark>CTIONS EARLY JUNE ON HOW TO GET THERE. YOU CAN ALREADY SEE WHERE THE VISITS ARE LOCATED BY LOOKING UP THE PARIS METRO STATIONS.</mark>

Culture and inclusion

Tour of Paris by people with experience of homelessness

The Consultative Council for Accommodated / Accompanied People (CCRPA) of the Ile-de-France region invites you on a tour of Paris led by a tour guide who has also experienced living in the street. This will involve visiting monuments, streets and unusual places, in a different way.

Visit: Max 25 people. Location / Starting point: Paris Town Hall (Hôtel de Ville)

Louvel Tessier Centre - Support and cultural activities

The people living in temporary accommodation at the Louvel Tessier have sometimes had complex and long experiences of homelessness. Access to this centre provides them not only with dedicated social support, but also quality artistic and cultural actions that can serve as the start of a personal project. This project allows people to once again assume their status as a citizen and sometimes to learn to re-establish lasting links with all of the residents, with the team, but also with the wider local community, and everything that makes up the establishment's environment.

Visit: Max 20 people. Location: Central (Metro: Goncourt)

Employment/ Social economy

L'Archipel - Inclusion and social mix

The Archipel project is intended as a laboratory for social innovation and experiments, attempting to create a plural space open to everyone, for the benefit of the Archipel residents and of the larger public. A space with many faces, the Archipel focuses on social mixing and inclusion, and openness to the neighbourhood. In addition to the accommodation centre's residents, who are at the heart of the project, the Archipel is more largely intended for the neighbourhood's inhabitants, entrepreneurs, artists, fashion and yoga lovers, and dreamers, looking for a place to share, create, work and grow. The objective of the Archipel is integration through innovation, culture and the digital world. A versatile space with promise for change and sharing, it offers a series of inclusive activities open to all (coworking space, training, lectures, leisure activities, workshops, etc.).

Visit: Max 25 people. Location: Central (Metro: Rome or Place de Clichy)

Emmaus Défi - Reintegration site offering employment and inclusion opportunities to homeless people

Emmaus Défi's holistic model to activate homeless people through employment was devised in order to tackle the deep-seated issues that have led them to live on the streets in the first place. By offering a homeless person a flexible framework and access to part-time work, they resell recycled and donated products for a fair price in Emmaus Défi stores. The organisation employs most exclusively people in a precarious housing situation and aims to rebuild social links. Unlike existing social enterprises, this model is not contingent on a weekly or 26-hour week contracts that discourage participation. At the beginning, the person may work only a few hours per week, but this "social employment" system economically empowers men and women living on the streets to become agents of change in their own lives and become progressively reintegrated into society. Emmaüs Défi's action is not only about employment. It is a global package that includes housing, health, and respond creatively to build a path for each person to find a sustainable solution for social inclusion.

Visit: Max 20 people. Location: Central (Metro: Riquet)

Health

ACT-LHSS 93 - Hospital first aid and therapeutic apartments (2 visits in 1)

In Seine-Saint-Denis, this will be a visit and presentation of the "Lits Halte Soins Santé" -LHSS (drop-in primary healthcare) and "Appartements de Coordination Thérapeutique" (therapeutic apartments) activities. A doctor will be present in order to discuss the link between treatment / housing / poverty, while focusing on the "impact of severe chronic illness on social support".

Visit: Max 25 people. Location: LHSS 93, on the edge of Paris (RER: Saint Denis Porte de Paris)

The Sleep In: first emergency treatment and accommodation structure for homeless substance abusers

How to accommodate and assist fragile users and consumers of psychoactive substances. Located in the 18th district of Paris, the Sleep In is a CSAPA (addiction treatment, support and prevention centre) that offers medical and psycho-social consultations mornings from Monday to Friday, as well as emergency accommodation with 30 places for isolated substance abusers (men, women), open seven days a week.

Visit: Max 25 people. Location: Central (Metro: Marx Dormoy)

CAARUD Centre Beaurepaire - Medical / paramedical activity and street work

The activity is divided between medical / paramedical efforts, support and access to rights, access to housing, integration and professional reintegration, harm reduction, notably with the supply of prevention materials (needle exchange), street work... This team provides contact and support for people who do not/cannot use other homeless services. It accompanies and maintains the link with people in hospital or in LHSS (drop-in primary healthcare). Finally, it helps service users with administrative and social procedures.

Visit: Max 25 people. Location: Central (Metro: République)

Housing/Shelter

Cité Jacomet - Emergency accommodation centre

The visit will be divided into 3 small groups and then provide space for discussions with the service's social support team and with the management. Discussions can focus on the broader stakes of accommodation and housing in France, the Cité's project to create a structure for very marginal elderly people, and the emergency accommodation of specific groups such as women, since he Cité also has a emergency accommodation service for 40 women living in the street (different location than the site of the visit).

Visit: Max 25 people. Location: Central (Metro: Porte de la Chapelle)

Housing/Shelter

Solidarités Nouvelles pour le Logement - "Very" social housing

Solidarités Nouvelles pour le Logement (SNL) is a group of 5 departmental associations in the IIe-de-France region, which have common statutes and a common charter, under the umbrella of the SNL Union. SNL Val-de-Marne celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2014. It manages a stock of 50 "very social" residential units for tenants in difficult life situations, generally for a term of 2 to 4 years. These households are supported by a pair of volunteers and by a social worker from the association, in order to stabilise their situation and help them to find permanent housing. Visit: Max 25 people. Location: Suburbs (20min from Metro « Chatelet les halles» next to the Paris Town Hall)

Maison des Thermopyles - Semi-collective alternative housing

This service offers long-term housing for people who do not have access to classical independent accommodation. On a human scale, and together with the neighbourhood's residents and associations, it offers a warm and collective setting for adults, singles or couples, with a variety of life experiences and of all ages, who have experienced homelessness. Staying in the guesthouse provides an escape from the loneliness and isolation resulting from their homelessness experience. The semi collective alternative housing provided includes entirely furnished and equipped studios, along with common areas (lounge, kitchen, terrace, garden, laundry). The residents take part in the life of the home, and decisions about its operation are made collectively.

Visit: Max 20 people. Location: Central (Metro: Pernety)

Primary assistance

La Mie de Pain - Day centre and activities

This is an example of a Paris "solidarity and integration area" (Espace Solidarité Insertion—ESI) with availability of showers, laundry, lockers, cafeteria, library, medical staff. Coordination and re-mobilisation activities intended to recreate a social link and to initiate resettlement/reintegration processes.

Visit: Max 20 people. Location: Central (Metro: Olympiades or Porte d'Ivry)

SIAO - Online database of temporary accommodation supply

The SIAO insertion 75, Service Intégré d'Accueil et d'Oriention, is the outcome of the desire of Paris associations to come together in order to implement a platform for regulating requests and offers for suitable accommodation and housing in Paris. Created in 2010, this public service relies on three principles: continuity and the assistance provided to people, fairness with regard to the service rendered, and the suitability of the services to meet the needs of the people. The SIAO is intended to inventory all temporary accommodation and social housing units as well as rental intermediation activities in Paris, in order to make suitable referral proposals after having ensured the completion of a social, medical and psychological assessment of the persons or families in situations of homelessness or housing exclusion. It contributes to the identification and monitoring of housing needs, while producing various statistics (e.g. on service activities).

Visit: Max 15 people. Location: Central (Metro: Bourse, Sentier, Grands Boulevards)

Support

Cité Saint Martin - Support in housing and floating support teams

Visit of the establishment with the Management, then more specific discussions with the team of social workers from the association's support platform that helps people find and stay in housing, and with the support teams provide floating support in homes. These teams help with the support in housing of households in difficult living situations (considered priority households under the DALO legislation on the right to housing). Discussions can focus more broadly on the state of the housing market in France, and the financing of such floating support teams to help people stay in their own home.

Visit: Max 15 people. Location: Central (Metro: Bastille)

Housing First pilot - Housing and support for homeless people with mental health problems

The experimental programme "Un Chez-Soi d'Abord", tied in with a national medical research project, is intended for homeless people with severe mental health problems. Without treatment and/or abstinence conditions, it offers direct access to housing and intensive care from a multidisciplinary team. The support, based on a recovery philosophy, is primarily provided at home by a mobile team consisting of peer workers, caregivers and social workers. The Paris programme is led by 6 institutions, the EPS Maison Blanche for the health component and a Temporary Consortium for the social component, led by the NGO Aurore and including the NGO Charonne, the Falret charity, the Association des Cités and the City of Paris Social Action Centre.

Visit: Max 15 people. Location: Central (Metro: Denfert-Rochereau or Port-Royal)

Youth

LAI (Lieux d'Accueil Innovants) - Preventing the exclusion of young people

The LAIs provide young people with a space and activities, particularly youths coming from priority districts in the city policy, where a large share of young people are concentrated and are more frequently faced with challenges in terms of education and integration. The LAIs contribute to citizen commitment and independence of young people, through: involvement and participation of young people in the centre's life and the set-up of its activities; a multidisciplinary team with a background in popular education and social intervention, for collective or individual support; strong involvement in local partnerships, with activities co-performed with prevention clubs and NGOs in the sectors concerned

Visit: Max 20 people. Location: Central (Metro: Marx Dormoy or La Chapelle)

Val-de-Bièvre CLLAJ - Youth housing support

The Val-of-Bièvre CLLAJ (Local Committee for Independent Youth Accommodation) provides support to young households between the ages of 18 and 30, single men or women with or without children, couples with or without children, while helping them to find accommodation suited to their needs. The CLLAJ approach is based on a combination of several services: guidance, information, support for independence and access to housing, coordination of a network of social housing operators, information on rights and legislation to improve access to housing. This visit will present the CLLAJ "approach".

Visit: Max 25 people. Location: South of Paris Arcueil Cachan RER station, 15 minutes from Chatelêt metro station.

CHU Plurielles - Emergency accommodation centre for young women from 18 to 25 years

The special feature of this centre is its variety of options (individual rooms in a collective building as well as apartments throughout Paris), which can provide young women with support to stabilise their living situations right through to full independence.

Visit: Max 25 people. Location: Central (Metro: Cadet)





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