



# PrOWfile Project working Towards a European Profile of the Outreach Worker in Harm Reduction

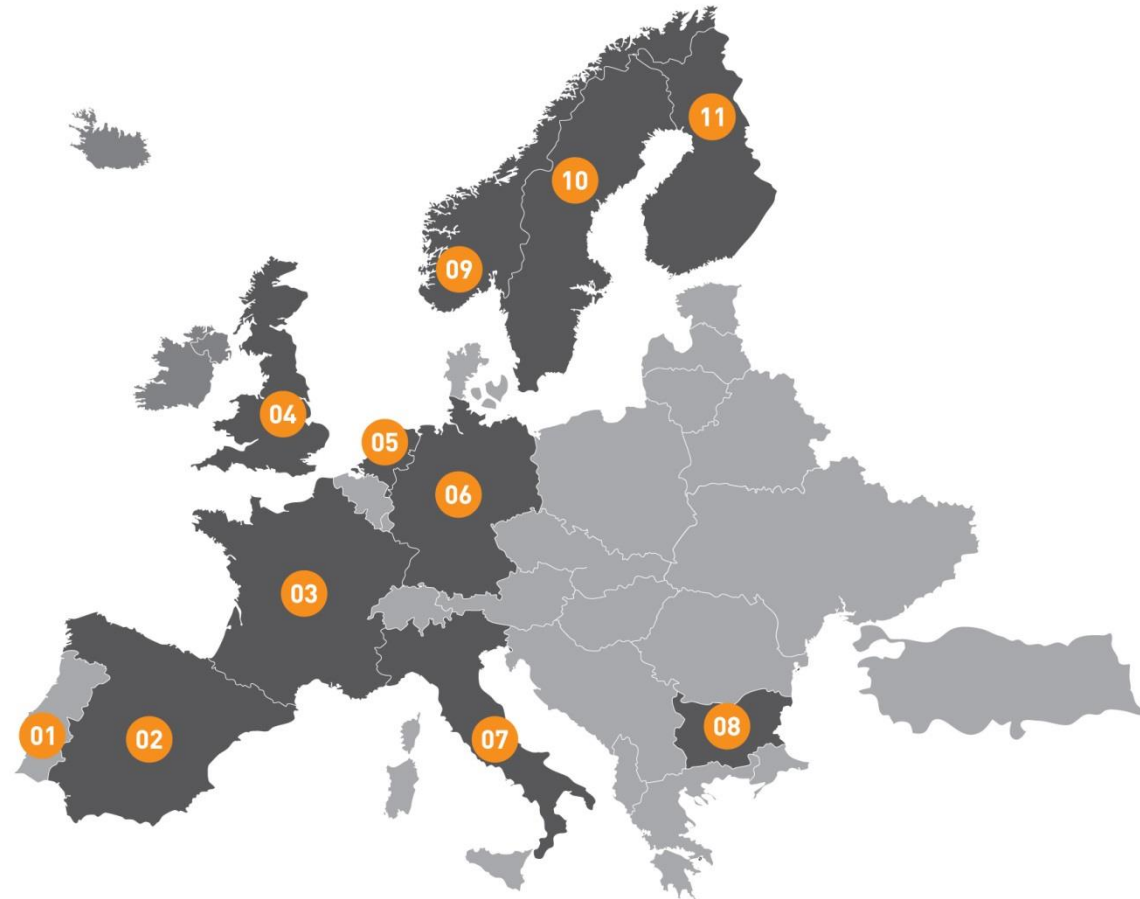
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### Outreach Worker in Harm Reduction (OWHR) (PrOWfile)

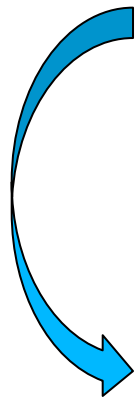
“Frontline Harm Reduction Workers in outreach settings paid or unpaid” (e.g. volunteers, peers, professionals, students). This definition includes such diverse outreach settings as party scenes, drug use settings, sex work and prison contexts.

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### WHAT:

Create a European and National input to OWHR recognition



European Profile of the OWHR



Activities + Skills + Attitudes + Knowledge

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### WHY:

Effectiveness of outreach interventions depends greatly on the skills of the outreach workers, but...

➤ Limited training with focus on outreach work in the EU

➤ Sub-optimal employment conditions of outreach workers

Negative impacts on intervention results and service users



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### HOW:

The joint **WHO, ILO and UNAIDS** policy guidelines for improving health workers' access to HIV and TB prevention, treatment, care and support services, 2010;

The **ILO** Recommendation concerning HIV and AIDS and the World of Work, 2010 (No. 200);

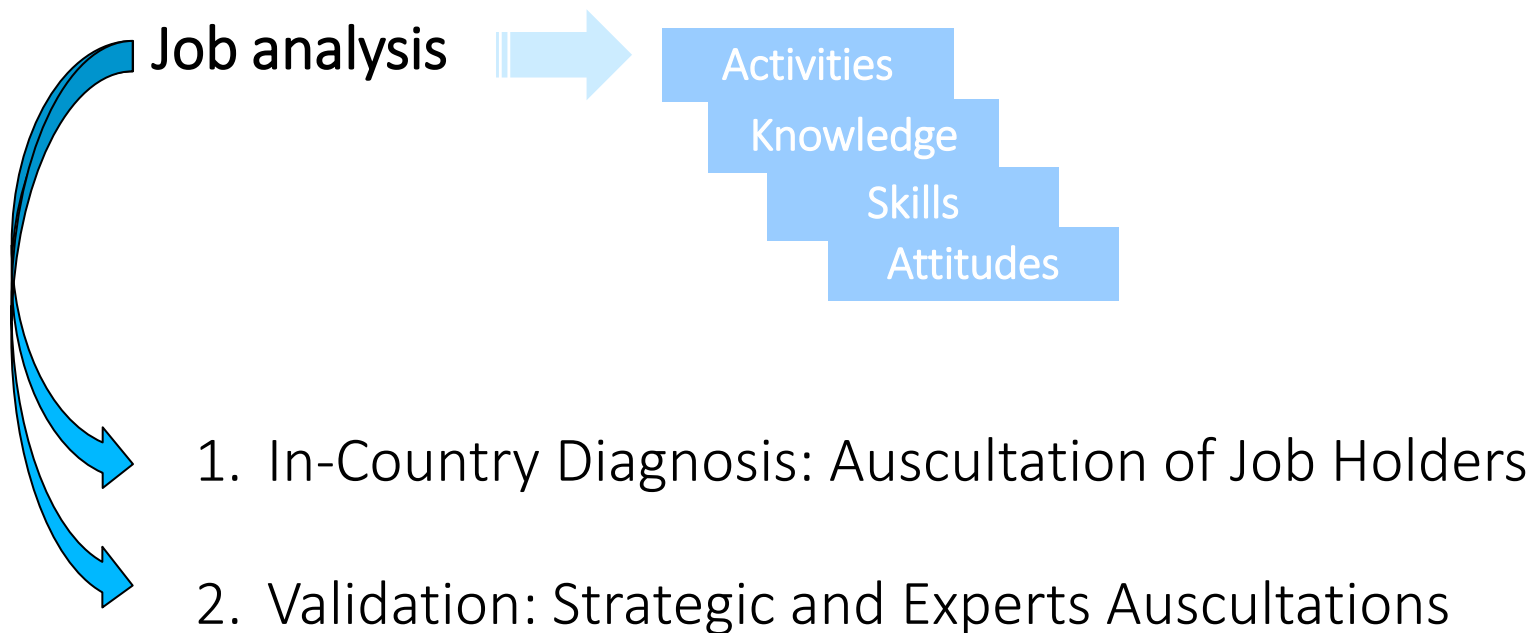
The **EC** Council Recommendations on the prevention and reduction of health-related harm associated with drug dependence (2003).

**EU 2020**, Employment and Education, Agenda New Skills for New Jobs.

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HOW:



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### HOW:

#### 1. In-Country Diagnosis: Auscultation of Job Holders

➤ In-country diagnosis tool application by 11 European countries (171 participants)



Different methods (e.g. questionnaires, interviews, etc.)



Diversity of participants (e.g. professionals, peers, managers, somehow engaged in outreach work)



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### 1 Validation within the group of PrOWfile Project Partners

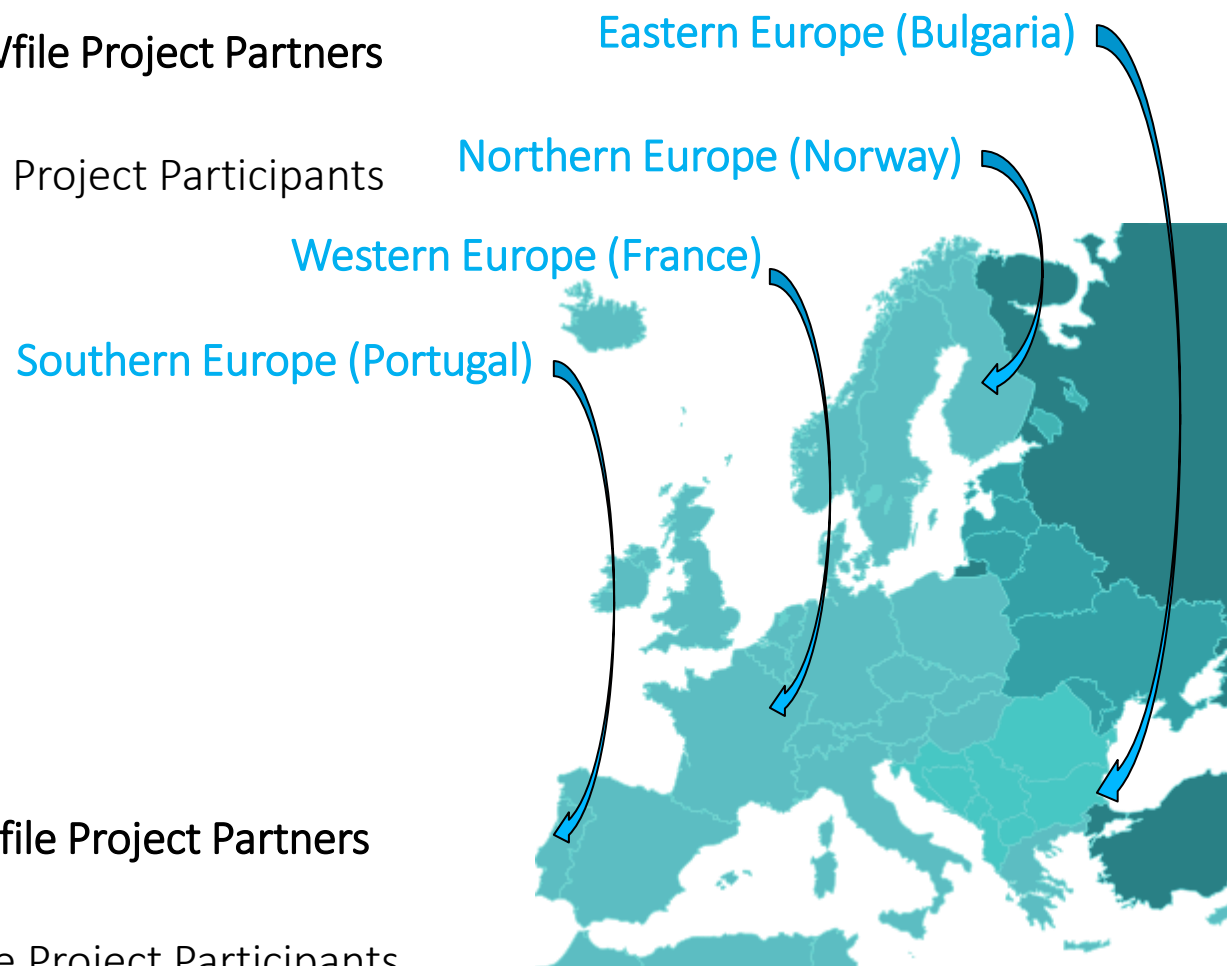
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### 2 Validation by Country Experts

➤ 25 selected country experts

### 3 Validation within the group of PrOWfile Project Partners

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# E-Book



Professional Profile of the Outreach Worker in Harm Reduction

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Thank You!

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