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Welcome!

This is our first newsletter. Every month we will publish a newsletter that follows up and shares the latest webinar slides and other useful information and news. Please see below for information about our webinar programme. If you would like to know more about the European Coalition for Community Living please have a look at our website:

www.community-living.info

Webinar 1 - Learning from what works

Miroslav Cangar (Slovakia) and John Dalrymple (Scotland) shared work they have been involved in to closedown institutions and some of the lessons they have learnt. People submitted some questions and we will be adding the answers to these on to our website soon.

Please follow this link to find copies of the slides from our first webinar:

<http://community-living.info/2018/01/29/learning-from-what-works-webinar/>

Webinar 2 - Leading Change – Friday 23rd February

This webinar is called 'Leading Change' and we will be hearing from Tara Flood (UK) and Milena Johnova (Czech Republic). Tara and Milena will be sharing their experiences of leading change in their countries and some of the things they have learnt work and don't work.

To register click here:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/84126221632357634>

Webinar 3 – Making a start – Friday 23rd March

We have two speakers confirmed for 23rd March. We will hear from Anja Kutnjak and Andreja Rafaelic (Slovenia) about their personal planning work with people in institutions to support them to move out from institutions in Serbia, Macedonia and Slovenia, and from Kate Fulton, AVIVO (Australia) about their community based support services.

Webinar 4: Lessons learned – Friday 27th April

We will be hearing from Steve Eidelman from Delaware, USE about his work and sharing some well learned lessons. We are in the process of identifying a second presenter.

Building a Coalition

We would really appreciate your support in building this community and telling people about our work. The European Coalition for Community Living is a free network, all our materials will be open source....we are inclusive of everyone who wants to close down institutions and make independent living for all a reality. We look forward to working with you and many others in the months and years to come.

News from ENIL

A new fact sheet on **Mental Health and Independent Living**

http://enil.eu/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/FAQ_Personal_Mental-Health-08.01.2018.pdf

A new fact sheet on **Disabled Children and Independent Living**

http://enil.eu/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/Fact-Sheet-on-Children_FIN.pdf

A survey about **'What is good personal assistance made of?'**

<http://enil.eu/news/good-personal-assistance-made-say/>

An article about **'Why is independent living important for older people?'**

<http://enil.eu/news/independent-living-important-older-people/>

News from Mental Health Europe

The latest newsletter from Mental Health Europe is here:

<https://mailchi.mp/119325d8d4b7/mhe-newsletter-january-2018>

News from Inclusion Europe

Latest news articles from Inclusion Europe can be found here

<http://inclusion-europe.eu/?cat=72>

News from Eurochild

The latest news from Eurochild can be found here

<http://www.eurochild.org/news/news-feed/>

An interesting blog from Vito Flaker and others in Slovenia

This is a really good Facebook blog put together by people in Slovenia, there's some interesting articles and also news about their work in Macedonia and elsewhere

<https://www.facebook.com/Meduza-318233654983549/>

If you know of interesting blogs and websites please send us the links and we will share with everyone - thank you

Useful information and resources – please share

If you know of any good publications, useful resources or any information about deinstitutionalisation then please share with us and we will share with everyone and put a link on our website. It doesn't have to be in English, if you can send us an explanation (a few words in English) then we can share and we are sure it will help someone!

Further information

If you have any questions, would like to send in a link or information or have your own news page to share then please send to:

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