Third International Housing First Conference
Padova, 18-19-20 June 2018

Working in Housing First.
Breaking the cycle of homelessness through empowerment and community integration

The purpose of this conference is to explore the changes in homeless services. We invite practitioners, service providers, policy makers, researchers, scholars, and, importantly, service users, to submit a proposal to present at the Conference. We aim to create a richly diverse agenda of a variety of types of sessions through which we can facilitate knowledge transfer not only across national borders, but also across the scholar-practitioner, practitioner-policy maker, and service user-service provider borders. The aim of this Conference is to share knowledge about research, practice, policy and activism and promote the international dissemination and sustainment of Housing First Program that adhere to the key ingredients of Pathways Housing First Philosophy, Principles, and Practice.

On the 20th June 2018 an Italian event will be held in collaboration with fio.PSD, celebrating 20 years of research on homelessness in Italy.

Please submit an abstract in English (max. 300 words) by 28 February 2018 using the following link
http://ip146172.psy.unipd.it/housing-2018/
Successful conference submissions will be notified by mid-April 2018.

For further information please send an email to:
hfconference.dpss@unipd.it
PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Monday 18th June 2018
15.00-18.30

LOCATION Aula Magna Palazzo Bo, Via VIII Febbraio, Padova

15.00-15.30 Welcome & Special Addresses

15.30-17.10 Opening Address
Keynote speakers:

- J. Ornelas (ISPA Lisbona) “Implementation of Housing First in Europe”,
- K. Maton, University of Maryland “Organizational characteristics of empowering community settings”,
- M. Shinn, Vanderbilt University “Preventing homelessness”.

17.10-17.30 Discussion and Conclusions

LOCATION Palazzo Moroni, Via VIII febbraio 6, Padova

18.00-18.30 Opening exhibition:
The photovoice project: “Working with homelessness”
(Prof. Santinello, University of Padova)

18.30-20.00 Welcome drink
Tuesday 19th June 2018
9.00-18.00
Thematic Sessions & workshops
School of Psychology, Via Venezia 8, Padova

Topics cover all aspects of the promise and challenge of implementing Housing First in Europe and North America as:

- Housing First program fidelity
- Support services: housing management, neighbors and community integration
- Research and evaluation
- Dissemination: demonstrating value in Housing First services
- The role of peer providers services
- Housing First and harm reduction
- Supported employment and education
- Housing First and public policy change
- Implementation of Housing First programs

20.00 Social Dinner