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Setting shared research agenda by CSO’s and research institutes: A case-study on connecting CSO’s and researchers through Science Shops on the topic of Domestic Violence & Pregnancy.

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- Abstract:
Panel discussion: Setting shared research agenda by CSO’s and research institutes: A case-study on connecting CSO’s and researchers through Science Shops on the topic of Domestic Violence & Pregnancy. Science Shops or similar initiatives seek to find answers to questions/issues from civil society organizations (CSO) around several topics. The ultimate goal is to empower the CSO and through the CSO also the larger society. For university based Science Shops, this process involves a connection between CSO and researcher to try to set a research agenda. Within the framework of PE-RARES, 3 different CSO’s and 3 different research institutes from 3 different countries try to match the needs of CSO’s on a European scale, linking needs and research agendas around the topic of Domestic Violence and Pregnancy. During this session, we try to give a transparant view on the process of connecting CSO with research institutes by organising a panel discussion between CSO’s, researchers and Science Shops. The discussion contains questions on identifying gaps in knowledge, needs, matchmaking, process guiding and the pitfalls/best experiences conquered on this difficult and sensitive topic. We encourage interaction with the public through open moderation. Experiences from other participants may enrich the discussion, give ideas to enhance the process linking different countries (CSO’s, researchers and science shops) and inspire influencing research agendas. Our goal is to open up the discussion and learn from participants.