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Most important career path

Muriel Allart is psychologist. She has 7 years of experience as Project Manager in different nightlife prevention programs: drop in center for recreational drugs users, risk reduction interventions in events, drug checking. She is actually responsible of the coordination and the extension of the Belgian quality label for clubs, "Quality Nights", and of the coordination of the European Network for Safer Party Labels: "Party+".

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Party+ : an European Network for Safer Party Labels

Description of the contribution

Young people are taking or exposed to a variety of risks in club: for example the consumption of legal and illegal substances, unsafe sex, violence, ear diseases.

Experiences in the past have shown that establishing a quality label or a charter for clubs and events allows reducing these risks. By improving nightlife settings and implementing health services in a sustainable way: accessibility to health promotion material and information, to free fresh water, to condoms and earplugs, training of the club staff...

Licences' laws exist and increased the quality of events and clubs during the last decade in most European countries. But, even for countries with a high licence law's standard, a Label is a more sustainable solution. Because these labels or charters are developing integrated approaches with all the nightlife stakeholders, promoting community empowerment and setting up actions for a responsible party's culture. They give the possibility to work together with the nightlife scene, as clubs and bars, in a way of cooperation.

In april 2010, four Labels and Charter, Safer Clubbing (Switzerland), Q deFesta ! (Catalunya), Fêtez Clair (Paris) and Quality Nights (Belgian's French Community), decided to work together and create a European Network for Safer Party Labels, named Party+.

Party + aims to improve existing labels and charts by sharing experiences, help interested partners (cities, regions, health associations) in developing their own label and then integrate them in the network.

Party + aims also to be a guide for party tourists over Europe.