

# HOME4 HEALTH

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OF PROFESSIONALS  
AND ORGANISATIONS  
CARING FOR HOMELESS  
PEOPLE FACING HEALTH  
ISSUES AND TRAUMAS.

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE HOMELESSNESS & SUBSTANCE USE

**Date:** 17th June 2026

**Location:** Bloc4BCN, Sants.

**Barcelona**

Carrer de la Constitució, 19,  
08014 Barcelona

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- Join us to explore homelessness issues and their impact on citizenship rights.
- Connect with representatives from across Europe, local governments and NGOs, and develop action plans for positive change.

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## AGENDA

Wednesday 17th of June 2026 - from 9 to 16h, at [BLOC4BCN](#) (Barcelona)

**9:00h Registration & Welcome coffee**

**9:30h Institutional Welcome**

- **Àngels Guiteras Mestres** - CEO of the [ABD Group](#), Spain
- **Sonia Fuertes Ledesma** - Commissioner for Social Action, Barcelona City Council
- **Francesc Hernández Torres** - Social Services Manager, Barcelona Provincial Council
- **Carolina Homar** - Secretary of Social Affairs and Inclusion, Government of Catalonia

**10:00h Initial Conference** by **Lúgia Teixeira** - Director of the Centre for Homelessness Impact, United Kingdom

**10:30h Knowledge Transfer: Home4Health's Training Resources** - by HVO-Querido

**11:00h Roundtable 1: Public Policy and Collaboration with the Third Sector in the Fields of Addiction and Access to Housing**

- Moderation: **Joan Ramon Villalbí** – CEO of the Barcelona Public Health Agency, Spain
- Participants:
  - **Felisa Pérez** – President and Technical Director of the [ABD Group](#), Spain
  - **Valerie Boogaard-Jowers** – Manager of the Centre of Expertise, [HVO-Querido](#), The Netherlands
  - **Amy Roche** – Training Manager and Rehabilitation Coordinator at the Health Service Executive (HSE) Addiction Services, Ireland
  - **Carme Trilla** – President of the [Habitat3 Foundation](#), Spain
  - **Maite Mauricio** - Comissió Permanent [XAPSL](#) (Barcelona Support Network for Homeless People), Spain

**12:30h Presentation of EU Guidelines for local Governments in housing and addictions** by **Catarina Alves** - Home4Health Project Coordinator, [ABD Group](#)

**13:00h Lunch & Networking**

**14:00h Roundtable 2: Mental Health, Addiction, and Access to Housing**

- Moderation: **Carme Fortea** – Director of Homelessness Services, Barcelona City Council
- Participants:
  - **Colette O'Brien** – Social Care Manager and Head of Specialist Housing and Support Services at [Cork Simon Community](#), Ireland
  - **Josep Rovira** - Director of the Drugs Area at [ABD Group](#), Spain
  - **Laia Arnal** – Director of the National Mental Health Pact, Generalitat de Catalunya
  - **João Coelho** – Psychiatrist specialized in addiction medicine, Medical Association of Portugal, Portugal
  - **Martinho Dias** – Peer worker of [CRESCER](#), Portugal

**15:00h Roundtable 3: The Housing First Model at the European Scale and Social Vulnerability**

- Moderation: **Mònica Plana** - Director of the Inclusion and Poverty Area at [ABD Group](#), Spain
- Participants:
  - **Mark Jordan** - Head of Housing First South West Region and Rapid Rehousing & Tenancy Support Services at [Cork Simon Community](#), Ireland
  - **Albert Sales** - Head of the Social Rights and Public Policy Area at the [Metropoli Institute](#), Spain
  - **Guillem Fernández** - Head of Advocacy, Research, and Evaluation at [Arrels Fundació](#), Spain
  - **Ester Aranda** - Director of the Harm Reduction Area at [ABD Group](#), Spain
  - **Cristiana Merendeiro** - Psychologist and Project Manager at [CRESCER](#), Portugal

**16:00h Closing session** by **Luisa Maria Conejos Ara** - Deputy Director General for Addictions, HIV, STIs, and Viral Hepatitis, Government of Catalonia