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Women who inject drugs are particularly affected by HIV, yet few HIV services are tailored to their needs.

This session will showcase experiences and lessons learned in working with women who inject drugs and show the value and importance of tailoring services to women’s needs and involving them at the design and implementation stages. The session will stimulate a discussion on good practices in providing comprehensive HIV services for women who inject drugs, as well as raise awareness among attendees about the importance of scaling up these life-saving services.

UNODC will also launch a policy brief entitled “Addressing the specific needs of women who inject drugs”. This publication was jointly developed with INWUD, WHRIN and EHRN.

The session will be co-chaired by Mr. Aldo Lale-Demoz, Deputy Executive Director and Global Coordinator for HIV/AIDS, UNODC and Ms. Ruth Birgin, delegate and Harm Reduction Consultant, INWUD.