LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (LAC)
Network UNODC Field Offices working on DRUGS and CRIME

- 6 Field Offices (1RO, 2LPOs, 3COs)
- 780 men and women in 13 LAC countries
- 55 national projects (40% DRUGS related)
- +12 Global projects (50% DRUGS related)
- South-South & North-South cooperation (Financial support to TA, Thematic exchange)
Financial Resources to address DRUGS related challenges

Collected for 2015-2016 / UNODC national level projects:

- **DRUGS**: 71% of total collected funding for national projects
- Funding sources: 85% Latin American countries; 15% other donors.
- **Thematic Focus**: Alternative Development, Monitoring illicit crops, Drug Demand and Supply Reduction, Response to illicit drugs trafficking / ToC.
Support to Partnerships & regular exchange

Alternative Development & illicit crops monitoring:

- Regular exchange AD experience (Colombia, Peru, Bolivia, Mexico, Thailand).
- Commercialization of AD high-quality products.
- Recognition of AD logo.
- Regular exchange SIMCI teams.
Support to Partnerships & regular exchange

Illicit trafficking / ToC:

• Existing specialized networks such as REFCO (Network of Prosecutors in C. America) and GAFILAT (LA Financial Action Group)

• Criminal justice responses/promoting cooperation in addressing illicit drug trafficking/ToC (CRIMJUST, AIRCOP, CCP)

• AMERIPOL: exchange among law enforcement training entities (LETrainNet, Mexico City, 2017)
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Drug Demand Reduction, Treatment and Care.

• Capacity development programme (PREDEM) in Andean countries (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru).
• Exchange among national and international experts on NPS (1\textsuperscript{st} Regional Meeting, Feb 2017).
• Network & exchange among practitioners on prevention through skills development programmes (i.e. Strong Families)
Lessons, good practices

• DRUGS related technical assistance financially supported by countries in the region + international donors (AD, monitoring, DDR, illicit trafficking).

• Commercialization of AD products – key for experience exchange

• Colombia: AD Logo recognition linked to fair trade & peace (Illicit crops eradication and AD as integral part of Peace consolidation).
Lessons, good practices

• Cooperation on evidence-based public policy (Strengthening SIMCI teams and capacity to measure SDGs - Centre of Excellence).

• Control & monitor chemical precursor trade flow, and DDR as key areas for more adequate financial support to national projects.