Crime Prevention & Sustainable Development Target 16.1

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More attention to prevention!

2030 Sustainable Development Agenda
- SDG 16 - Reduce violence and crime

13th UN Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (Doha Declaration)
- Need for research, sharing of experiences on effective crime prevention to address gang violence

United Nations Standards and Norms on Crime Prevention
- Balance prevention and criminal justice responses to crime (access to justice) and focus on risk factors
Targeting risk factors of crime

**INDIVIDUAL**
- adverse childhood experiences
- history of violent victimization
- mental health disorders
- poor behavioral control
- male
- youthful

**COMMUNITY**
- low social capital in community
- low access to medical care
- availability of drugs in the community
- situational/environmental factors
- high concentration of poor residents
- association with delinquent peers
- social rejection by peers
- involvement in gangs

**FAMILY**
- low parental involvement
- poor family functioning
- low emotional attachment to parents/caregivers
- low socio-economic status of parents
- parental substance abuse/criminality

**SOCIAL**
- rapid social change
- economic inequality
- poverty
- weak economic safety nets
- poor rule of law and high corruption
- culture of violence
- gender inequalities
- conflict/post-conflict situation
Targeting Risk Factors & Strengthening Protective Factors

WHAT WORKS: 7 PREVENTION STRATEGIES

- Develop safe, stable and nurturing relationships between children and their parents and caregivers
- Develop life skills in children and youth
- Reduce the availability and harmful use of alcohol
- Reducing access to guns and knives
- Promoting gender equality to prevent violence against women
- Changing cultural and social norms that support violence
- Victim identification, care and support programmes

2014 Global Status Report on Violence Prevention

+ Key Prevention Strategies by the Criminal Justice System

- Community- and Problem-oriented Policing
- Non-custodial sentences, alternatives to imprisonment
- Social reintegration of offenders (prison-based and in the community)
UNODC support to Member States – SDG16a

- **Data collection & analysis**
  Safety audits
  Quantitative & qualitative data, incl. perception of safety

- **Policy development & advice**
  Support development of national/local crime prevention strategies, policies and programs; stress the role of the criminal justice system in prevention

- **Capacity building**
  Cognitive behavioral and social skills training for at-risk youth; Community policing, Education for prevention, Reintegration of offenders

- **Strengthening partnerships**
  Sharing good practices, UN, inter-agency & South-South cooperation
Creating Safe, Inclusive & Resilient Cities
Planned Global Technical Assistance Initiative - DPA/DO/DTA

Focus areas

- Identification and analysis of urban crime, violence through the Safety Governance Audit Tool
- Policy development & capacity building for evidence-based crime and drug-use prevention at the local level
- Policy development & capacity building to address corruption, transnational organized crime and terrorism
- Awareness raising and partnership promotion

Safety Governance Approach

- Resilience
- Regulation
- Enforcement
- Engagement

Foreseen indicator for crime prevention component mirrors the SDG 16.1 indicator on crime:
Number of victims of intentional homicide per 100,000 population, by sex and age
Crime Prevention Tools

• Crime Prevention Assessment tool
• Handbook on Crime Prevention Guidelines – Making them work (UNODC, ICPC)
• Handbook on Civilian Private Security Services
• Training Manual on Policing Urban Space
• Introductory Handbook on Policing Urban Space (UNODC, Habitat)
• Introductory Handbook on the Prevention of Recidivism and the Social Reintegration of Offenders
• Handbook on Crime Prevention in Southern Africa and the Caribbean Regions
• Practical Approaches to Urban Crime Prevention (ICPC, UNODC)
• Global Status Report on violence prevention 2014 (WHO, UNODC, UNDP)
• Governing Safer Cities: Strategies for a Globalized World
• Line Up Live Up Trainer Manual- Life skills training through sport to prevent crime, violence and drug use
• Crime prevention university module
Thank you for your attention