

# CELEBRATING THE FIVE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNGASS: PROGRESS MADE, ONGOING CHALLENGES

ONLINE SIDE EVENT - #CND64 REGISTRATION: [bit.do/5-years-ungass](https://bit.do/5-years-ungass)

**Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021, 13:10 - 14:00 (CET - Vienna)**

*Organised by Portugal, the European Union, IDPC, OHCHR, UNAIDS and WHO*

**This event will be available in English & Spanish**

The 2016 United Nations General Assembly Special Session (UNGASS) on drugs was a watershed moment in global drug policy, and its resulting Outcome Document gave unprecedented visibility to issues associated with health, human rights, development and cross-UN coordination and collaboration.

The five-year anniversary of the Special Session constitutes a key moment to take stock of the progress that has been made on the implementation of the operational recommendations included in the Outcome Document, and of the major challenges that remain to be addressed.

This side event will feature presentations from various UN agencies and civil society, including affected communities, to discuss progress, ongoing challenges and recommendations for the way forward to ensure that global drug policies are fully enshrined in the broader UN priorities of protecting health and human rights and promoting development.

**Speakers:**

- **Marie Nougier**, Head of Research and Communications, IDPC
- **Craig Mokhiber**, Director, New York Office, OHCHR
- **Vinay Saldanha**, Special Adviser to the Executive Director, UNAIDS
- **Yennifer Martínez Murillo**, Asociación De Trabajadores Campesinos Agroecologicos Ambientalistas de Mesetas Meta

**Moderator: Mr Olivier Onidi**, Deputy Director-General, DG Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission

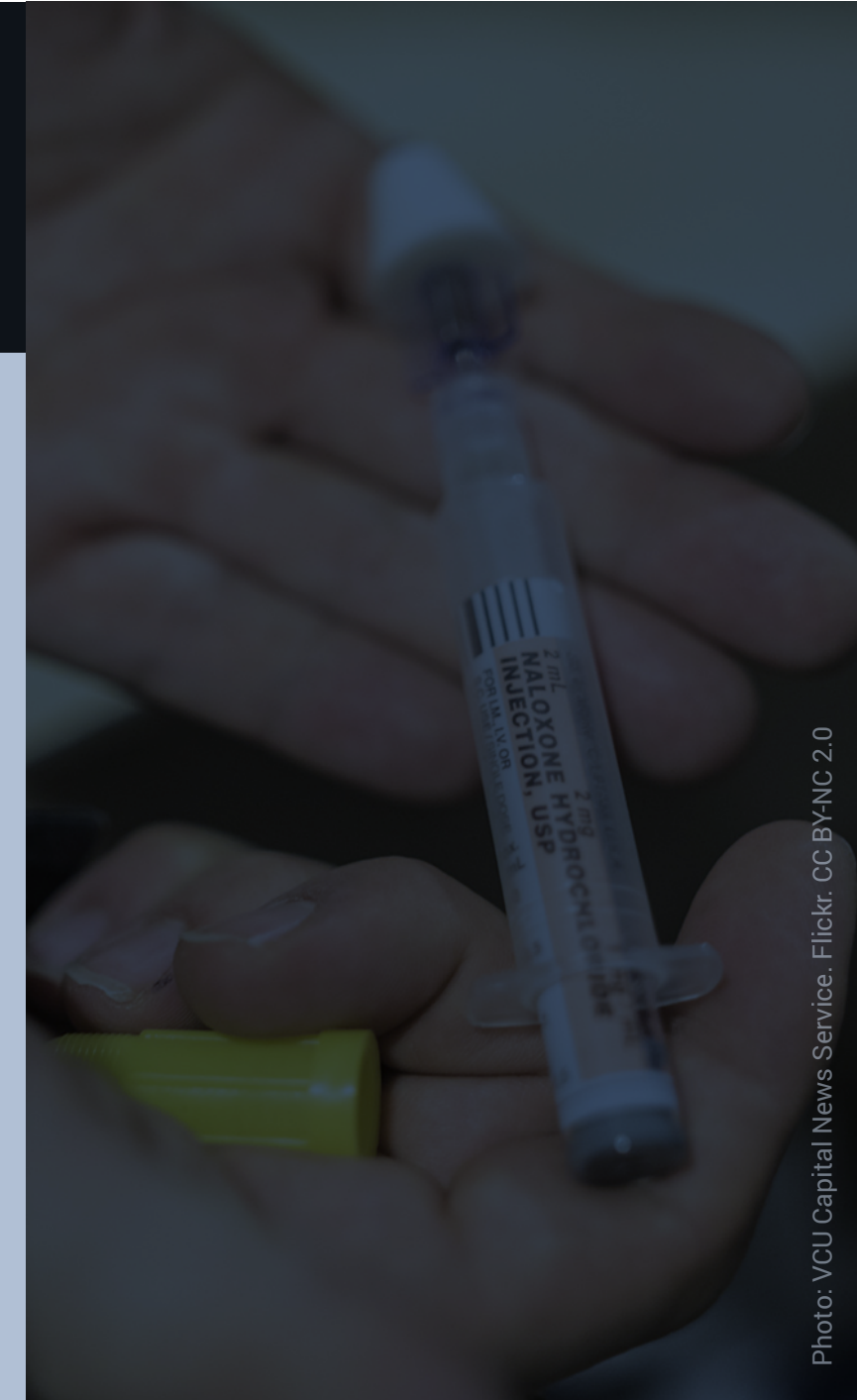


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