

Leaving No-One Behind

The work of the Commission On Narcotic Drugs



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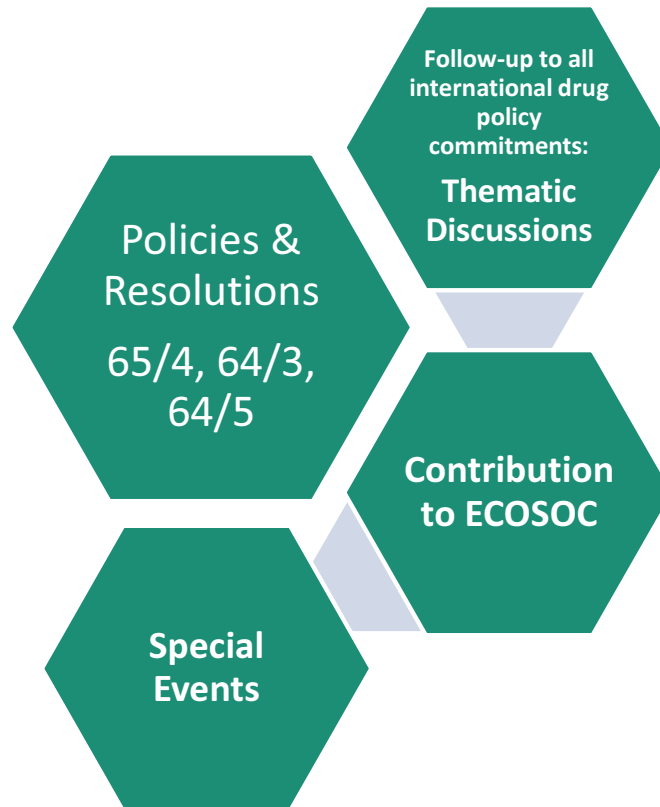
Functional
Commission of
the ECOSOC

UN principal
policymaking
body in drug-
related matters

Governing Body
of UNODC



CND Contributes to SDGs and Equal Access to Health:





Key commitments from resolutions:
Equal Access to Drug Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation
during COVID and beyond

- **promote access** to scientific evidence-based, quality, affordable and comprehensive prevention, treatment, sustained recovery and related support services during the COVID-19 pandemic through **innovative approaches** such as e-health platforms and ...telemedicine
CND resolution 64/5
- take a human rights-based approach, when developing services for marginalized populations, that aligns with the targets of **SDG**, including **target 3.5** (Strengthen the prevention and treatment of substance abuse, including narcotic drug abuse and harmful use of alcohol)
CND resolution 64/3



ACCESS TO HEALTH BEYOND THE PANDEMIC KEY MESSAGES FROM CND THEMATIC DISCUSSIONS (2020)



Adopt approaches that meet the **needs of different groups of people** with drug use disorder



Enhance coverage of **gender and age-sensitive, evidence-based treatment, as well as rehabilitation and social re-integration policies**



Implement a **comprehensive package** of services for persons who use drugs, including targeted HIV and hepatitis prevention, low-threshold access to diagnosis, and anti-retroviral treatment as well as accompanying care and support programmes



Strike a balance between ensuring the availability of controlled substances drugs **for medical and scientific purposes**, while avoiding their misuse and diversion into illicit channels



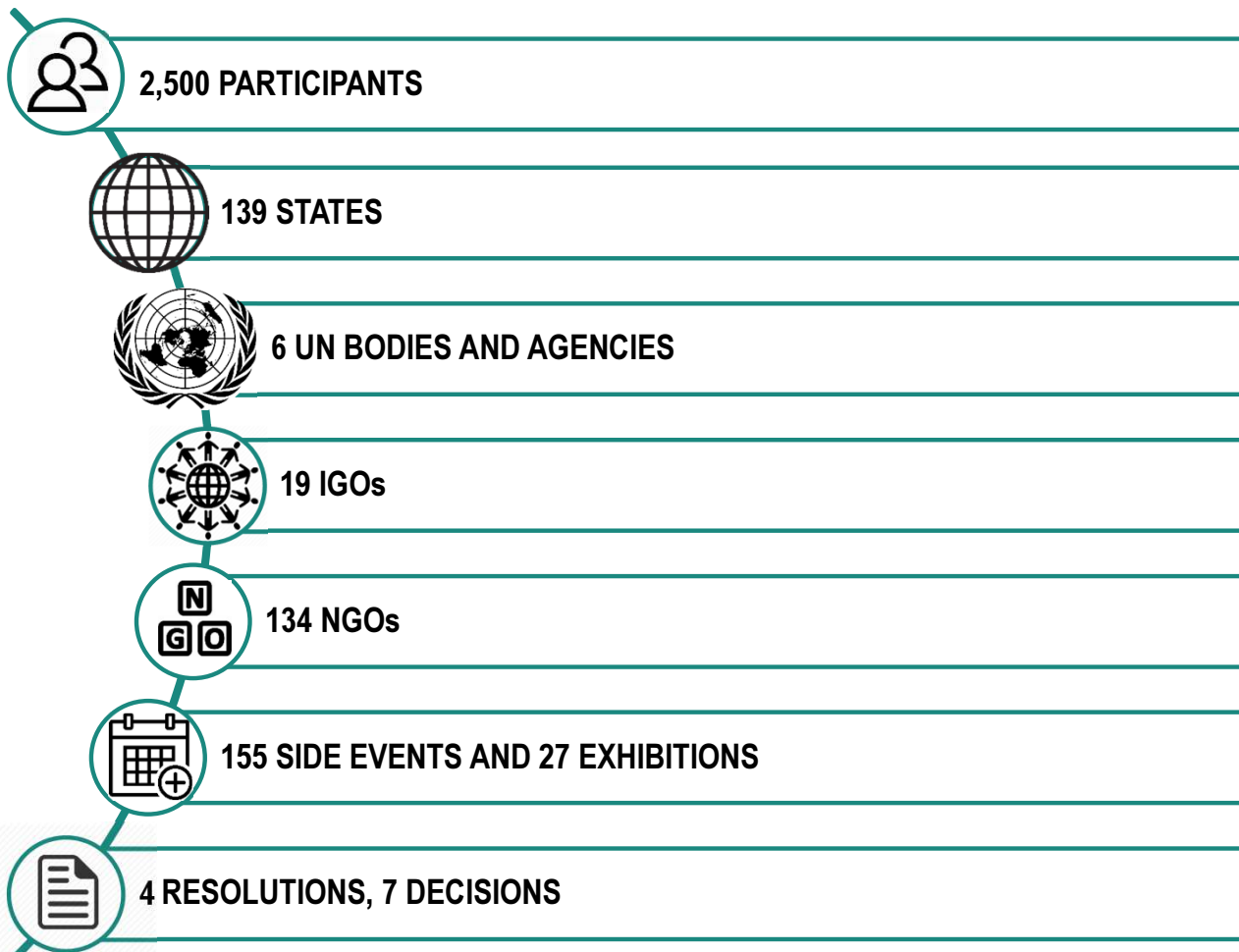
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ENSURING ACCESS TO AND AVAILABILITY OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES FOR MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES

- **INITIATIVE ON ENHANCING ACCESS TO AND AVAILABILITY OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES FOR MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES - #NoPatientLeftBehind**
- **BRING TOGETHER KEY STAKEHOLDERS** to exchange on good practices and challenges
- **RAISE AWARENESS** to enhance implementation of policy commitments in this field
- **EVENTS AND SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGNS** throughout the 65th session, starting with a Special Event on 8 June 2022 in New York



66TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE CND – 13-17 MARCH 2023



RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE 66TH CND



66/1

Preparations for the midterm review to be held during the sixty-seventh session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, in 2024



66/2

Safe handling and disposal of synthetic drugs, their precursors and other chemicals used in the illicit manufacture of drugs



66/3

Strengthening information sharing to increase scientific evidence-based support to international scheduling and the effective implementation of international scheduling decisions



66/4

Promoting alternative development as a development-oriented drug control strategy that is sustainable and inclusive



2023 CND Thematic Discussions

In the multiyear workplan 2019 – 2023, Member States committed to holding in the period up to 2024, every autumn, interactive meetings that aim to address challenges identified in the ‘stock-taking’ part of the 2019 Ministerial Declaration

June 2019

Adoption of multiyear workplan 2019 – 2023

2024

Mid-term review

Thematic Discussions, with **comprehensive stock-taking in 2023**

March 2019

Adoption of 2019 Ministerial Declaration

**16 – 18
October
2019**

**19 – 21
October
2020**

**19 – 21
October
2021**

**21 – 22
September
2022**

**23-25 October
& 4-6
December
2023**

2029

Review of progress in implementation of all international drug policy commitments

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WORK OF ECOSOC

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CND Contribution to 2023 HLPF



Key messages for Political Declaration Submitted to ECOSOC on **28 February 2023**

Proposed Input to Political Declaration



Inclusion of a Reference the world drug problem and its multiple links to the 2030 Agenda in the SDG Summit Declaration



Thank you!

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