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## PROGRAMME

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY

New York, 18–21 April 2016

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### TUESDAY, 19 APRIL

Time	Plenary (General Assembly Hall)	Round tables (CR 4)
10.00 a.m.– 1.00 p.m.	Opening of the session by the Chair of the delegation of the President of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly Consideration of procedural and organizational issues Adoption of the final document General debate	
3.00– 6.00 p.m.	General debate ( <i>continued</i> )	Round table 1. Demand reduction and related measures, including prevention and treatment, as well as health-related issues; and ensuring the availability of controlled substances for medical and scientific purposes, while preventing their diversion ("drugs and health")

### WEDNESDAY, 20 APRIL

10.00 a.m.– 1.00 p.m.	General debate ( <i>continued</i> )	Round table 2. Supply reduction and related measures; responses to drug-related crime; and countering money-laundering and promoting judicial cooperation ("drugs and crime")
3.00– 6.00 p.m.	General debate ( <i>continued</i> )	Round table 3. Cross-cutting issues: drugs and human rights, youth, women, children and communities

### THURSDAY, 21 APRIL

Time	Plenary (Trusteeship Council Chamber)	Round tables (CR 4)
10.00 a.m.– 1.00 p.m.	General debate ( <i>continued</i> )	Round table 4. Cross-cutting issues: new challenges, threats and realities in preventing and addressing the world drug problem in compliance with relevant international law, including the three drug control conventions; strengthening the principle of common and shared responsibility and international cooperation
2.00 p.m.– 5.00 p.m.		Round table 5. Alternative development; regional, interregional and international cooperation on development-oriented balanced drug control policy; addressing socioeconomic issues
	Plenary (General Assembly Hall)	
3.00– 6.00 p.m.	General debate ( <i>continued</i> ) Closure of the session	

## SIDE EVENTS

MONDAY, 18 APRIL

8.30– 9.30 a.m.	<b>HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACTS OF DRUG POLICIES</b> <i>Organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner on Human Rights and Penal Reform International.</i>	Conference Room B
10.00– 11.00 a.m.	<b>GETTING BETTER RESULTS: MEASURING DRUG POLICY OUTCOMES WITHIN THE WIDER UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM</b> <i>Organized by the Governments of New Zealand, Brazil, Canada and Switzerland, the Global Drug Policy Observatory/Swansea University, the International Centre for Science in Drug Policy, the International Drug Policy Consortium and the Transform Drug Policy Foundation</i>	Conference Room 11
11.30 a.m.– 12.30 p.m.	<b>EFFECTIVE DRUG POLICIES WITHOUT THE DEATH PENALTY</b> <i>Organized by the Government of the Netherlands and the European Union.</i>	Conference Room 11
11.30 a.m.– 12.30 p.m.	<b>WHAT CAN QUALITY RESEARCH SAY ABOUT THE DRUG PROBLEM AND ITS POLICY RESPONSE</b> <i>Organized by the Government of Germany and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.</i>	Conference Room B
1.00– 2.00 p.m.	<b>ALIGNING DRUG CONTROL EFFORTS WITH THE 2030 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AGENDA</b> <i>Organized by the United Nations Development Programme.</i>	Conference Room B
1.00– 2.00 p.m.	<b>THE NEW AFGHAN NATIONAL DRUG ACTION PLAN (2015-2019) AND THE WAY FORWARD</b> <i>Organized by the Government of Afghanistan.</i>	Conference Room 11
2.30– 3.30 p.m.	<b>THE PUBLIC HEALTH ELEMENTS OF A COMPREHENSIVE, BALANCED AND INCLUSIVE DRUG POLICY</b> <i>Organized by the World Health Organization.</i>	Conference Room 11
2.30– 3.30 p.m.	<b>ESTABLISHING EVIDENCE-BASED CRITERIA FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS TO SUPPORT THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM IN THE SENTENCING AND APPLICATION OF ALTERNATIVE MEASURES TO PRISON</b> <i>Organized by the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute.</i>	Conference Room B
4.00– 5.00 p.m.	<b>SCIENCE ADDRESSING DRUGS AND HIV: STATE OF THE ART</b> <i>Organized by the Governments of Romania, Germany, Norway, Switzerland and Kazakhstan, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, UNAIDS and the World Health Organization.</i>	Conference Room 11
5.30– 6.30 p.m.	<b>TACKLING NEW CHALLENGES OF DRUGS POLICY: CONTRIBUTION OF THE COOPERATION PROGRAMME ON DRUGS POLICIES BETWEEN LATIN AMERICA AND THE EUROPEAN UNION (COPOLAD)</b> <i>Organized by the Government of Spain and the Cooperation Programme on Drugs Policies between Latin America and the European Union (COPOLAD).</i>	Conference Room 11
5.30– 6.30 p.m.	<b>EVOLVING DRUG RESPONSES — THE PROGRESSIVE INTERFACE BETWEEN CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND THERAPEUTIC DRUG PREVENTION AND TREATMENT — THE NIGERIAN EXPERIENCE</b> <i>Organized by the Government of Nigeria, the European Union and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.</i>	Conference Room B

## TUESDAY, 19 APRIL

11.30 a.m.– 12.30 p.m.	<p>THE DRUG CONTROL CONVENTIONS: A MULTI-FACETED FRAMEWORK FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF HUMANKIND</p> <p><i>Organized by the International Narcotics Control Board.</i></p>	Conference Room 11
11.30 a.m.– 12.30 p.m.	<p>EVIDENCE-BASED PRIMARY PREVENTION. 20 YEARS OF SUCCESSFUL PRIMARY PREVENTION WORK</p> <p><i>Organized by the Government of Iceland and IOGT International.</i></p>	Conference Room B
1.00– 2.00 p.m.	<p>THE INCLUSION OF A HUMAN RIGHTS PERSPECTIVE IN THE DEBATE CONCERNING THE WORLD DRUG PROBLEM</p> <p><i>Organized by the Government of Uruguay and Friedrich Ebert Stiftung.</i></p>	Conference Room 11
1.00– 2.00 p.m.	<p>ALTERNATIVE DEVELOPMENT: SHARING LESSONS LEARNED AND GOOD PRACTICES</p> <p><i>Organized by the Government of Peru.</i></p>	Conference Room B
1.15– 2.30 p.m.	<p>LISTENING TO THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH IS THE FIRST STEP TO HELPING THEM GROW UP HEALTHY AND SAFE</p> <p><i>Organized by the Governments of France and Sweden, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the World Health Organization.</i></p>	Conference Room 4
2.30– 3.30 p.m.	<p>A COORDINATED REGIONAL RESPONSE TO DRUG PRODUCTION, TRAFFICKING AND USE IN THE MEKONG: THE IMPORTANCE OF THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE IN 2016</p> <p><i>Organized by the Governments of Viet Nam, Cambodia, China, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Myanmar and Thailand, and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.</i></p>	Conference Room 11
2.30– 3.30 p.m.	<p>THE NEXUS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND DRUG CONTROL POLICIES</p> <p><i>Organized by the Government of Norway and the Council of Europe.</i></p>	Conference Room B
4.00– 5.00 p.m.	<p>EVIDENCE-BASED DRUG POLICIES: WHAT THEY ARE AND WHAT THEY ARE NOT</p> <p><i>Organized by the Government of the Netherlands and the European Union.</i></p>	Conference Room 11
4.00– 5.00 p.m.	<p>THE IMPACT OF DRUG POLICIES ON WOMEN WHO USE DRUGS: PERSPECTIVES ON GENDER EQUALITY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND HARM REDUCTION</p> <p><i>Organized by the Government of Brazil, National Advocates for Pregnant Women, Amnesty International, the Harm Reduction Coalition, the Eurasian Harm Reduction Network, the International Network of People Who Use Drugs and the Open Society Foundations.</i></p>	Conference Room B
5.30– 6.30 p.m.	<p>AMPHETAMINE-TYPE STIMULANTS: WORKING TOWARDS HUMANE DRUG POLICIES</p> <p><i>Organized by the Inspire Project Under the Royal Initiative of HRH Princess Bajrakitiyabha of Thailand and the International Drug Policy Consortium.</i></p>	Conference Room 11
5.30– 6.30 p.m.	<p>A CALL FOR LEADERSHIP: HIV, HUMAN RIGHTS AND HARM REDUCTION</p> <p><i>Organized by the Government of Germany, Harm Reduction International, UNAIDS, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, the World Health Organization, the International HIV/AIDS Alliance, the Open Society Foundations, the International Drug Policy Consortium, the International AIDS Society and Aids Fonds.</i></p>	Conference Room B

## WEDNESDAY, 20 APRIL

8.30– 9.30 a.m.	MEETING THE CHALLENGES OF NEW PSYCHOACTIVE SUBSTANCES <i>Organized by the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.</i>	Conference Room 11
8.30– 9.30 a.m.	THE GLOBAL DRUG CONTROL SYSTEM AND THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS AGENDA <i>Organized by the Governments of Switzerland, Mexico, the Czech Republic, Guatemala and Uruguay, the United Nations Development Programme and the Global Commission on Drug Policy.</i>	Conference Room 4
10.00– 11.00 a.m.	SCIENTIFIC NETWORK HEARING <i>Organized by the Government of the Russian Federation.</i>	Conference Room 11
10.00– 11.00 a.m.	CONFERENCIA SOBRE EL PLAN NACIONAL ANTIDROGAS 2015-2019 <i>Organized by the Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.</i>	Conference Room B
11.30 a.m.– 12.30 p.m.	A PUBLIC HEALTH APPROACH AS A BASE FOR DRUG POLICY: THE PORTUGUESE CASE <i>Organized by the Government of Portugal.</i>	Conference Room 11
11.30 a.m.– 12.30 p.m.	CANNABIS AND THE CONVENTIONS: THE UNGASS AND BEYOND <i>Organized by the Government of Uruguay, the Washington Office on Latin America, the Transnational Institute and the Global Drug Policy Observatory.</i>	Conference Room B
1.00– 2.00 p.m.	HIGH-LEVEL PANEL DISCUSSION ON ALTERNATIVE DEVELOPMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS <i>Organized by the Government of Thailand.</i>	Conference Room 11
1.00– 2.00 p.m.	TREATMENT OF SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE <i>Organized by the Government of Israel, the Council of Europe and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.</i>	Conference Room B
1.30– 2.30 p.m.	ADDRESSING GLOBAL DISPARITIES IN ACCESS TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES, WITH FOCUS ON TREATMENT AND PAIN RELIEF, WHILE PREVENTING DIVERSION AND MISUSE <i>Organized by the Governments of Australia, Belgium, Ghana, Norway and Panama, the International Narcotics Control Board, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the International Union Against Cancer.</i>	Conference Room 4
2.30– 3.30 p.m.	ALTERNATIVE DEVELOPMENT: NEW APPROACHES AND KEY ELEMENTS FOR THE POST-UNGASS FRAMEWORK <i>Organized by the Governments of Germany, Colombia and Thailand, and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.</i>	Conference Room 11
2.30– 3.30 p.m.	THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ADVANTAGES OF INVESTING IN RECOVERY <i>Organized by the Government of Sweden, the San Patrignano Foundation, Stichting Eurad (Europe Against Drugs), RUN, the World Federation Against Drugs, European Cities Against Drugs and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.</i>	Conference Room B
4.00– 5.00 p.m.	TOWARDS EVIDENCE-BASED PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY: THE SUCCESSFUL CZECH MODEL OF DECRIMINALIZATION <i>Organized by the Government of the Czech Republic and the Global Commission on Drug Policy.</i>	Conference Room 11
4.00– 5.00 p.m.	THEN AND NOW: INDUSTRY PLAYBOOKS AND ADDICTION MARKETING <i>Organized by the Government of Sri Lanka and IOGT International.</i>	Conference Room B
5.00– 6.00 p.m.	ACHIEVING INCLUSIVE, PEACEFUL AND EQUITABLE SOCIETIES: THE WAY FORWARD FOR DRUG POLICIES <i>Organized by the Government of Mexico.</i>	Conference Room 5
5.30– 6.30 p.m.	DRUG USE AND WOMEN: BEST PRACTICES IN THE DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMMES AND PUBLIC POLICIES FOR PREVENTION AND TREATMENT WITH A GENDER APPROACH <i>Organized by the Governments of Chile, Peru and Italy.</i>	Conference Room 11

## THURSDAY, 21 APRIL

8.30– 9.30 a.m.	<b>BEYOND DRUG FREE: EVIDENCE-BASED PREVENTION AND TREATMENT</b> <i>Organized by the Governments of Colombia, the Czech Republic and Liechtenstein and the Open Society Foundations.</i>	Conference Room B
8.30– 9.30 a.m.	<b>THE BOLIVIAN MODEL FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKING. REDUCTION OF SURPLUS COCA LEAF RESPECTING HUMAN RIGHTS</b> <i>Organized by the Government of the Plurinational State of Bolivia and the Washington Office on Latin America.</i>	Conference Room 4
10.00– 11.00 a.m.	<b>HUMAN RIGHTS APPROACH FOR UNDERSERVED DRUG ADDICTS: HEALTH, HOUSING AND INCOME PROGRAMMES IN LARGE URBAN SETTINGS</b> <i>Organized by the Government of Brazil.</i>	Conference Room B
11.30 a.m.– 12.30 p.m.	<b>NATIONAL DRUG POLICY OF TURKEY: PREVENTION AND REHABILITATION PRACTICES</b> <i>Organized by the Government of Turkey and the Turkish Green Crescent Society.</i>	Conference Room B
1.00– 2.00 p.m.	<b>HOW CAN THE INTERNATIONAL DRUG CONTROL SYSTEM PROVIDE A BETTER TOMORROW FOR THE WORLD'S YOUTH?</b> <i>Organized by the Government of the Czech Republic, the Transform Drug Policy Foundation, Moms United to End the War on Drugs, the Reach Out Centre and Youth Rise.</i>	Conference Room B
1.15– 2.30 p.m.	<b>SUPPORTING PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY THROUGH EVIDENCE-BASED POLICIES</b> <i>Organized by the Government of the United States of America, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the Civil Society Task Force.</i>	Conference Room 2
2.30– 3.30 p.m.	<b>ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION FOR DRUG-RELATED OFFENCES</b> <i>Organized by the Organization of American States.</i>	Conference Room B
4.00– 5.00 p.m.	<b>GLOBAL COLLABORATIONS FOR EVIDENCE-BASED PREVENTION</b> <i>Organized by the International Association of Lions Clubs and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.</i>	Conference Room B
5.30– 6.30 p.m.	<b>ALTERNATIVE LEGAL REGIMES FOR CANNABIS: WHAT ARE THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIETAL IMPACTS?</b> <i>Organized by the Governments of Sri Lanka, Sweden and Latvia, the Community Alliance for Drug Free Youth, Smart Approaches to Marijuana, the World Federation Against Drugs and European Cities Against Drugs.</i>	Conference Room B

## SPECIAL EVENT

### MONDAY, 18 APRIL

10.00 a.m.– 1.00 p.m.	<b>UNGASS 2016 CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM</b> <i>Organized by the Government of Sweden and the Civil Society Task Force.</i>	Conference Room 12
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