

NATIONAL DRUG POLICY IN UKRAINE: FROM 2013 TO 2030

A community-led consultative process on the importance
of human rights and evidence-based national drug
strategies in HIV response

Regional Round Table

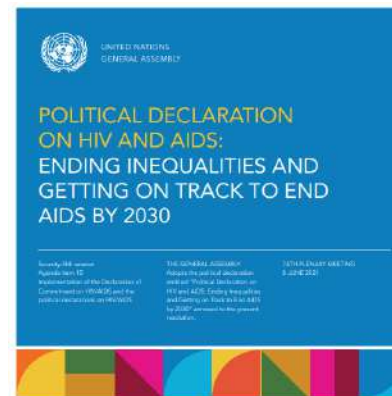
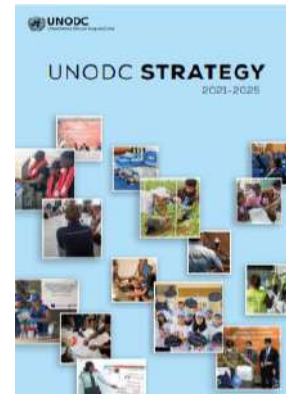
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In line with the Global Commitments



- 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
- Global AIDS Strategy 2021 – 2026: End Inequalities. End AIDS.
- UNODC Strategy 2021-2025
- UNGASS 2016 Outcome Document
- 2019 Ministerial Declaration
- 2021 Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS



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At the [ministerial segment](#) of its 62nd session in 2019, the Commission adopted the [2019 Ministerial Declaration](#) on strengthening actions at the

www.unodc.org/unodc/en/commissions/CND/index.html

Useful Resources

[2019 Ministerial Declaration](#)

[2016 UNGASS outcome document](#)



NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY



ONDCP THE ADMINISTRATION'S STRATEGY

National Anti-Drug Strategy

2013-2020

Clear consciousness, sobriety and fight against drug crime



NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY

THE WHITE HOUSE
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NATIONAL INTERDICTION
COMMAND AND CONTROL PLAN

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PLAN TO ADDRESS
METHAMPHETAMINE HEALTH
AND SAFETY CONCERNS

NATIONAL COUNTERNARCOTICS STRATEGIES

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UKRAINE'S STEPS IN DRUG STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT

to promote dialogue ...between scientific, professional and policy communities, ...to discuss modern evidence-based approaches to behavioural health, drug use prevention, HIV/HVC prevention, treatment and care, treatment of disorders, and rehabilitation of people who use drugs.

The main objective is - a balanced and proportional policy for psychoactive substances.

May 21-23, 2012. International High-Level Conference “Ukrainian Society and Drugs: Building a New Strategic Approach”,

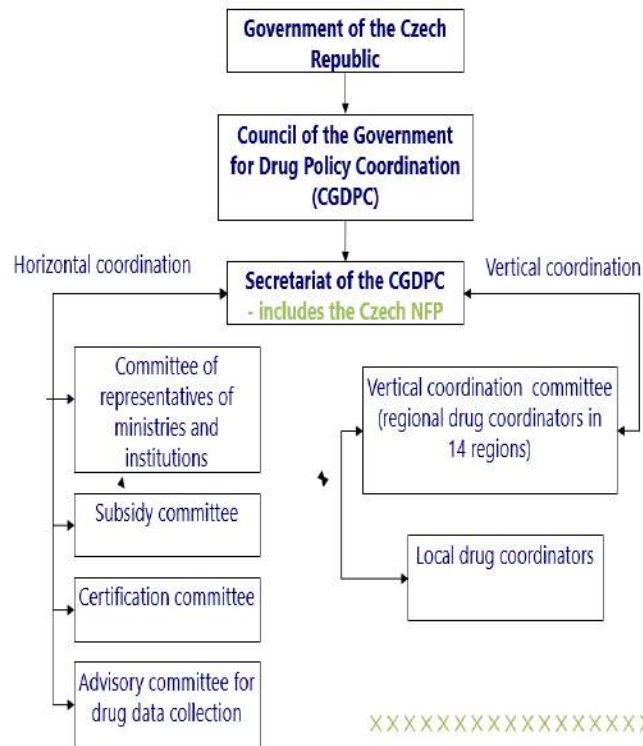
Nov 28-30, 2018. Regional Conference - Support the implementation of the Ukrainian Drug Strategy

Nov 27 to 29, 2019. 2nd Conference on Drug Policy – Support for the Implementation of the Ukrainian Drug Strategy

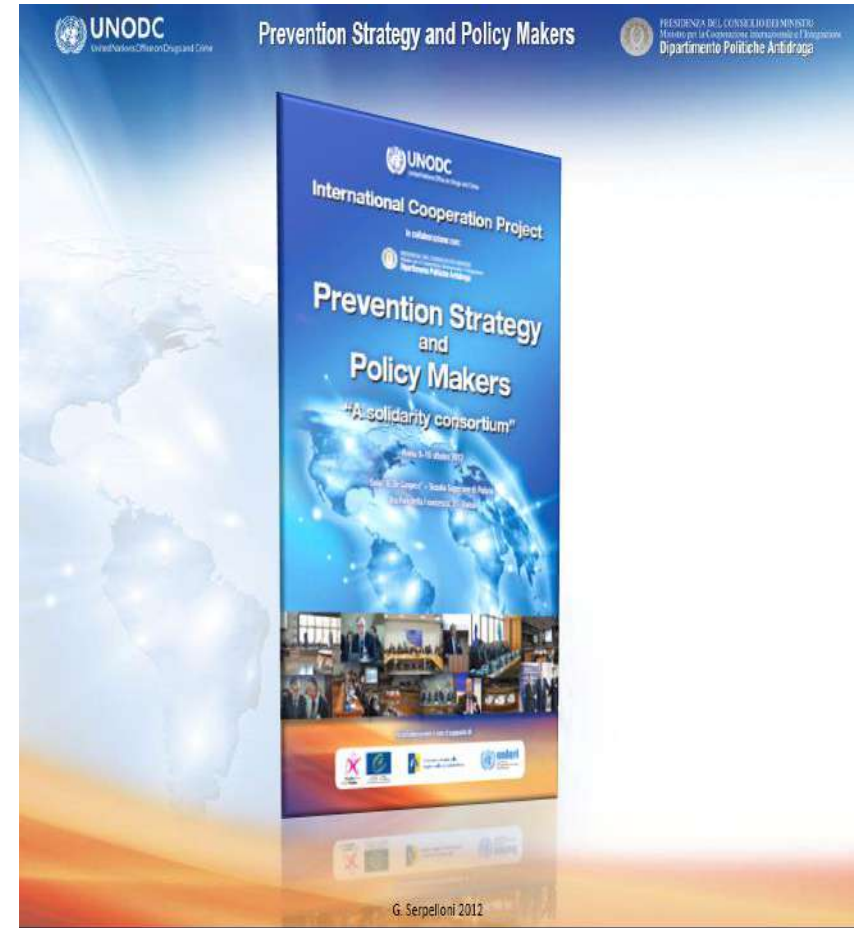
Nov 24-25, 2021. 3d Conference on Drug Policy – Support for the Implementation of the Ukrainian Drug Strategy

Study visits

> Coordination of the Czech Drug policy



Czech Republic 2019



Italy 2014



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TRAINING FOR POLICYMAKERS: HEALTH-ORIENTED APPROACH TO DRUG POLICY



Training of Policymakers
on the Nature, Prevention and
Treatment of Drug Use Disorders

Main topics:

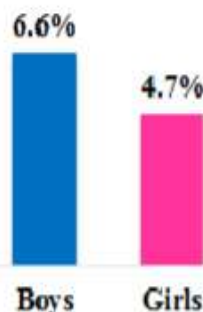
- Understanding drug use disorders: a foundation from the science
- Drug use disorders and the drug Conventions
- Screening, brief interventions and assessment
- Medication-assisted strategies for the treatment of drug use disorders
- Counselling, behavioural and psychosocial treatment interventions
- Introduction to Prevention
- International Standards for the Treatment of Drug Use Disorders
- UNODC Menu of services
- Comorbidities & COVID-19 related actions
- Interventions in populations with special clinical needs, the criminal justice system
- Policy development, strategic planning and coordination of services & politics of policymaking

In 2019-2021 three training sessions for about 200 decision-makers on national and local levels across Ukraine from different sectors of governance

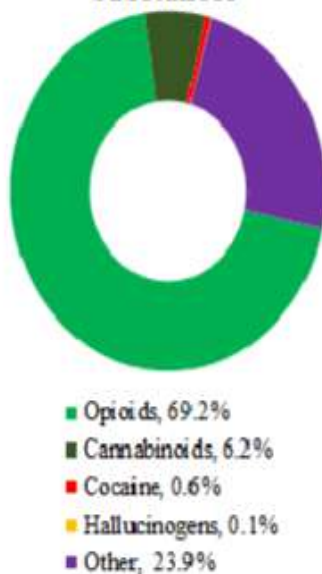
Outline of Drug Related Problems in Ukraine

Illicit Drug Use by Young People (aged 15-17) (ESPAD - 2019)

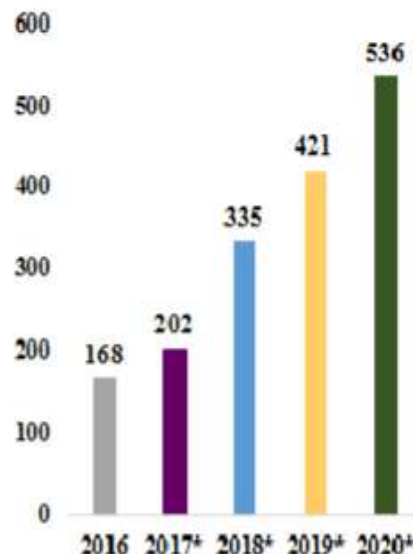
Cannabis
5,7%



People Who Sought Treatment in terms of Substances



Deaths Caused by Poisoning with Illicit Substances



Drug-Related Offences

27 430

Top-5 Seized Drugs

1. Cannabis (herbal)
2. Heroin
3. Cocaine
4. Poppy straw
5. Amphetamines

Other Illicit Substances

Ecstasy	1,0%
Amphetamine	1,7%
Cocaine	1,2%

Distributed syringes & needles

40 211 466

NGO: 22 789 972 (94/person)
State Budget: 17 421 494 (96/person)

OST Patients

14 868

Resident Population (aged 15-64)

27 927 758

Source: State Statistics
Service
as of 01.01.2021



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UKRAINE DRUG STRATEGY, 2021-2030

Strategic goal 1. Promotion of a healthy lifestyle, reducing the demand for psychoactive substances

Strategic goal 2. Narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and precursors illicit trafficking counteracting, reducing illicit drugs and substances supply and their timely seizure

Strategic goal 3. Ensuring the availability of narcotic drugs for those in need

Strategic goal 4. Timely and quality assistance to people with mental and behavioural disorders due to the use of psychoactive substances, and the availability of comprehensive harm reduction services

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- Operational goal 1. Psychoactive substances use prevention
- OG 2. Secondary drug abuse/dependence prevention among PWUD

SG 2. Narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and precursors illicit trafficking counteracting, reducing illicit drugs and substances supply and their timely seizure.

OG1. Reduce the number of psychoactive substances available on the illegal market.

OG2. Prevent the leakage of narcotic drugs through the implementation of effective measures of state regulation and control.

OG3. Prevention of use of analogues or new psychoactive substances.

OG4. Strengthening the human resources of law enforcement agencies.



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Strategic goal 3. Ensuring the availability of narcotic drugs for those in need.

OG1. To provide access to treatment with the use of narcotic drugs.

OG2. Promoting the development of palliative care.

SG4. Timely and quality assistance to people with mental and behavioural disorders due to the use of psychoactive substances, and the availability of comprehensive harm reduction services

OG1. Provide diagnostics, medical and socio-psychological care, rehabilitation and resocialization for persons with mental and behavioural disorders due to drugs use and ensuring access to harm reduction programmes.

OG2. Improvement of the treatment system composition and provision by **decriminalization, reduction of stigma and discrimination**, and introduction of **alternatives to imprisonment**.



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SG4. continuation

OG3. Introduction of the substance disorders treatment in prisons.

OG4. Set up effective epidemiological surveillance of the prevalence of psychoactive substance use and effective M&E of the effectiveness of state drug policy implementation.

National counterparts

Min of Health of Ukraine (Leader)

Min of Internal Affairs

Min of Justice

State drug control service

Expert organizations, Public Health Centre

Local and International NGOs

UNODC (technical and expert support)



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Thank you!