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A global network promoting objective and open debate on drug policy



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IDPC is a global network of NGOs and professional networks that aims to promote objective and open debate on the effectiveness, direction and content of drug policies at national and international level, and supports evidence-based policies that are effective in reducing drug-related harm. We produce occasional briefing papers, we disseminate the reports of our member organisations about particular drug-related matters, and we offer expert consultancy services to policy makers and officials around the world.

# **IDPC Policy Principles**

- 1 Drug policies should be developed through a structured and objective assessment of priorities and evidence.
- 2 All activities should be undertaken in full compliance with international human rights law.
- 3 Drug policies should focus on reducing the harmful consequences rather than the scale of drug use and markets.
- 4 Policy and activities should seek to promote the social inclusion of marginalised groups, and not focus on punitive measures towards them.
- 5 Governments should build open and constructive relationships with civil society in the discussion and delivery of their strategies.

For additional details about our work, visit our website at www.idpc.net, or consult our IDPC Drug Policy Guide.

#### **Our Vision**

The predominant drug control strategy that focuses on harsh law enforcement and punishment has proved to be ineffective in reducing the scale of the illicit market, and has led to significant adverse social and health consequences. IDPC's vision is that national and international drug policies are grounded in the principles of human rights, social inclusion and public health. Policy making processes should be transparent and policy makers should engage meaningfully with civil society.

#### **Our Mission**

IDPC intervenes at two levels in the decision making process. We facilitate communication and cooperation between civil society stakeholders and support collaborative activities; we produce and disseminate information and analysis on drug policy; and we create channels and advocacy tools for civil society to better engage with and influence the policy making processes of national governments and international agencies. IDPC also intervenes at high-level policy making by providing expert consultancy to governments and UN agencies on effective and more humane drug policy.

#### **Our Publications**

IDPC disseminates the publications of our members, and issues a number of reports, advocacy notes and policy briefings on a wide range of drug-related issues. Our main publication is our Drug Policy Guide, which is available on our website at www.idpc.net.

### International advocacy

A key aspect of IDPC's work relates to the engagement by our members in the debates and decision making processes at the international level. In multilateral settings where drug policy issues are debated, we work with our members and other partners to identify opportunities to advocate for humane and effective policies, prepare analysis and recommendations, and coordinate advocacy efforts. Our unique structure enables grassroots organisations to pool their expertise and maximise their influence in policy making processes.

# Regional networking

IDPC's work is based on a regional model, which enables our members to identify advocacy opportunities and define the best strategy for maximising our collective influence in their respective region. We then use the expertise and resources available within our global network to support regional initiatives through publications, advocacy campaigns and seminars.

# National advocacy

IDPC seeks to offer constructive advice on how to develop and implement more humane and effective policies at the national level. Through our regional partners, we identify and pursue opportunities to engage with national policy makers in target countries to promote reform. In partnership with local stakeholders, we run seminars, workshops, study tours and policy consultancies.