



## PREVIEW

### DRUG ABUSE: HOW CAN IT BE REDUCED?

Monday 21 - Wednesday 23 March 2005

#### 778th WILTON PARK CONFERENCE

in co-operation with:  
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What approaches have proved successful in reducing the number of young people using drugs in developed and developing countries? How successful have efforts been to reduce drug supply and how has the drugs market been affected? What can be learnt from the approach in different countries to reduce the supply at source or in transit, or from the heroin "drought" in Australia? What more should countries of main consumption do to support those countries where production is high or used as transit routes? What can be learnt from examples such as demand reduction efforts in Sweden, or prevention work in the USA or in Brazil and Iran? What education and prevention measures have delivered a reduction in consumption? Where can governments intervene successfully? What policies and practices might work best in the future?

Speakers invited and themes proposed (\*confirmed)

#### MONDAY 21 MARCH

- 1500 Introduction to the conference
- 1515-1630 1 **DRUG ABUSE: HOW CAN IT BE REDUCED? WHAT POLICIES ARE WORKING?**  
**Antonio COSTA**  
Director-General, United Nations Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention, Vienna
- TACKLING PREVALENCE THROUGH REDUCING DRUG SUPPLY*
- 1715-1800 2 **KEY POLICY DILEMMAS IN COCA AND OPIUM REDUCTION STRATEGIES**  
**\*Martin JELSMA**  
Co-ordinator Drugs and Democracy Programme, Transnational Institute, Amsterdam
- 1800-1900 3 **REDUCING SUPPLY: SUCCESS, LIMITATIONS AND IMPACT ON MARKETS**  
**Colombia: Reducing supply for domestic and international use?**  
**\*Francisco THOUMI**  
Professor of Economics; Director, Research and Monitoring Centre on Drugs and Crime, Universidad del Rosario, Bogota
- 1900 Reception followed by dinner

#### TUESDAY 22 MARCH

- 0900-1045 4 **REDUCING SUPPLY: SUCCESS, LIMITATIONS AND IMPACT ON MARKETS**  
**Afghanistan: Reducing supply for domestic and international use?**  
**William BYRD**  
Senior Economic Adviser, Afghanistan, World Bank, Kabul  
**David MANSFIELD**  
Consultant, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London

- 1115-1300 5 **REDUCING SUPPLY: SUCCESS, LIMITATIONS AND IMPACT ON MARKETS**  
**Learning from the "heroin drought" in Australia**  
**Jenny HEFFORD**  
Assistant Secretary, Drugs Strategy, Department of Health and Aging, Canberra  
**Lessons from opium suppression in India**  
**\*Molly CHARLES**  
Former Deputy Director, National Addiction Research Centre; Consultant, Consultancy Advocacy and Training Services, Mumbai
- 1500-1630 6 **OVERCOMING THE CHALLENGES TRANSIT COUNTRIES FACE IN REDUCING SUPPLY**  
**Lance SELMAN**  
Chair, CARICOM Regional Task Force on Crime and Security, Port of Spain
- 1700-1800 7 **REDUCING SUPPLY: The UK experience of tackling middle markets**  
**Andy Hayman**  
Chief Constable, Norfolk Constabulary; Chair, Association of Chief Police Officers Drugs Committee
- 1815-1930 8 **THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COUNTRIES OF PRODUCTION, TRANSIT AND CONSUMER**  
**Lesley PALLETT**  
Head, Drugs and International Crime Department, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London  
**The EU dimension**  
**Francisco BATALLER-MARTIN**  
External Relations Drugs Co-ordinator, Directorate General for External Relations, European Commission, Brussels

**WEDNESDAY 23 MARCH**

- 0900-1030 9 **TACKLING PREVALENCE THROUGH REDUCING DEMAND**  
**"DEMAND REDUCTION" POLICIES AND PRACTICE: HOW CAN THESE BEST REDUCE DEMAND?**  
**Sweden:**  
**Christina Gynna Oguz**  
Deputy Drugs Co-ordinator, Stockholm  
**USA:**  
**\*Andrea BARTHWELL**  
Former Deputy Director for Demand Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Washington
- 1100-1245 10 **REDUCING DEMAND IN DEVELOPING AND TRANSITION COUNTRIES**  
**Panel Discussion**  
**David MACDONALD**  
Demand Reduction specialist, United Nations Drug Control Programme, Islamabad  
**Bijan NASSIRIMANESH**  
Director, Persepolis, Tehran  
Speakers from German Association for Technical Co-operation (GTZ) and from Brazil to be announced
- 1415-1515 11 **IDENTIFYING BEST PRACTICE IN PREVENTION**  
**Chair: Jeff LEE**  
Executive Director, Mentor Foundation, Loughborough  
**What can education and prevention deliver? How can success be measured?**  
**Eric CARLIN**, Chief Executive, Mentor, UK, London  
**Lessons from alcohol and tobacco prevention strategies**  
**Robin ROOM**, Centre for Social Research on Alcohol and Drugs, Stockholm University
- 1515-1545 12 **CONCLUDING SESSION**  
**REDUCING DRUGS ABUSE: WHAT IS POSSIBLE IN THE FUTURE?**  
*What are the points at which government and society can influence the market and drug use? How should policies be shaped in future?*  
**\*Mike TRACE**  
Director, The Beckley Foundation Drug Policy Programme, London