



COMPLETE PROGRAM
FIRST INTER-REGIONAL CITY FORUM
PUBLIC POLICIES IN DRUG TREATMENT
SANTO DOMINGO APRIL 2-5, 2008

TUESDAY APRIL 1, 2008

17:00-19:00 Registration. Jaragua Hotel
19:00-21:00 Welcome Cocktail. Gardens of the Jaragua Hotel

WEDNESDAY APRIL 2, 2008

08:00-09:30 Registration. Jaragua Hotel
09:30-11:00 Inaugural Session
11:00-11:15 Coffee Break
11:15-11:30 Keynote Speaker: The challenge and promise of treating drug addition in our cities
11:30-12:15 Plenary Session: Presentation of EU-LAC
12:15-13:15 Plenary Session: Local drug treatment policies: overview and results
13:15-14:15 Lunch offered by EU-LAC
14:15-15:15 Plenary Session: Treatment modalities and systems
15:15-16:15 Discussion Panels (A) Public policies in drug treatment

(1.a) Importance of interagency cooperation in the drug treatment field	(2.a) Emerging trends. Measuring drug treatment demand. From information to policy.	(3.a) Relationship between national and local policies in drug treatment
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16:15-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-17:45 Discussion Panels (B) Public policies in drug treatment

(1.b) Drug treatment as an answer to drugs and crime	(2.b) Economic impact; viability of municipal treatment policies	(3.b) Importance of coordination of local policies in the area of drug treatment. Best practices
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19:00-21:30 Reception and music, offered by the City of Santo Domingo. Location: Plaza España

THURSDAY APRIL 3, 2008

08:15-09:00 Keynote Speaker. Drug abuse treatment: models and outcomes
09:00-10:00 Plenary Session. EU-LAC regional strategies on drug treatment: complementary or different approaches?

10:00-10:30 Coffee Break

10:30-11:30 Plenary Session. EU-LAC program cooperation: Introduction to thematic areas

11:30-12:30 Discussion Panels (C) Treatment and Best Practices

(1.c) Treatment alternatives to incarceration (court-supervised treatment)	(2.c) NGOs and drug treatment. Best practices	(3.c) Drug use and associated diseases. Treatment protocols
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12:30-14:00 Lunch offered by the Global Foundation for Democracy and Development (GFDD)

14:00-15:30 Discussion Panels (D) Treatment and Best Practices

(1.d) Experiences and best practices in the area of treatment alternatives to incarceration	(2.d) High risk groups: social exclusion. Treatment for specific populations: immigration, gender, age, treatment in prisons, etc.	(3.d) Treatment and HIV/AIDS. Harm reduction *
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15:30-16:00 Coffee Break



16:00-17:00 Discussion Panels (E) Treatment and Best Practices		
(1.e) Training in drug treatment. Capacity-building	(2.e) From drug treatment to rehabilitation and aftercare	(3.e) Challenges in treatment: Innovative and best practices

17:00-17:30 Wrap-up Session: Short presentations from discussion panels C, D, and E

19:30-21:30 Reception offered by the National Drug Council of the Dominican Republic

FRIDAY APRIL 4, 2008

08:30-09:15 Keynote Speaker. The city and drugs. Challenges for local policies

09:15-10:15 Plenary Session. Thematic areas and program cooperation

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-11:45 Sectoral Working Groups. Alliances and outlines of collaborative or joint projects

11:45-12:45 Sectoral Working Groups. Project design

12:45-14:15 Lunch offered by EU-LAC project

14:15-15:15 Sectoral Working Groups. Project design and city partnerships

15:15-16:15 Plenary Session: Presentation of collaborative or joint projects

16:15-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-17:30 Plenary Session and Closing Remarks

19:00-21:30 Closing Reception offered by the Presidency of the Dominican Republic

SATURDAY APRIL 5, 2008

08:00-12:00 City Tour

09:00-10:00 EU-LAC Steering Committee Meeting



TUESDAY APRIL 1, 2008

17:00-19:00 Registration (Jaragua Hotel)

19:00-21:00 WELCOME COCKTAIL. GARDENS OF THE JARAGUA HOTEL

WEDNESDAY APRIL 2, 2008

08:00-09:30 Inscripción y registro de participantes (Hotel Jaragua)

09:30-11:00 Inaugural Session

Location: ROOM 1

- **His Eminence Monsignor Nicolás de Jesús Cardinal López Rodríguez**, Archbishop of Santo Domingo
- **Roberto Salcedo**, Mayor of the City of Santo Domingo
- **Mabel Félix Báez**, President of the National Drug Council of the Dominican Republic
- **Alexandra Cas-Granje**, Director of EuropeAid for Latin America, European Commission
- **Benita Ferrero-Waldner**, European Commissioner for External Relations and European Neighbourhood Policy ([Connected from Brussels to the Forum via video-conference](#))
- **Alexandre Addor-Neto**, Secretary for Multidimensional Security, Organization of American States
- **José Miguel Insulza**, Secretary General of the Organization of American States
- **Rafael Francisco Alburquerque de Castro**, Vice-President of the Dominican Republic

11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-11:30 Keynote Speaker: The challenge and promise of treating drug addition in our cities

Location: ROOM 1

James F. Mack, Executive Secretary, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States (OAS)

11:30-12:15 Plenary Session: Presentation of EU-LAC Project

Location: ROOM 1

Introduction to this EU-LAC Forum on drug treatment. Role of the participating cities, objectives.

Moderator: **Antonio Lomba**, EU-LAC Project Manager, Demand Reduction Specialist, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States (OAS)

Speakers:

- **Anna McG. Chisman**, Head of Demand Reduction, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States
- **Milton Romani Gerner**, Secretary General, National Drug Council of Uruguay and member of the EU-LAC Steering Committee
- **Dario Espiga**, Deputy Member of Executive Board, City of Göteborg, Sweden, and member of the EU-LAC Steering Committee



12:15-13:15 Plenary Session: Local drug treatment policies: overview and results

Location: ROOM 1

The formulation of drug treatment strategies at the municipal level: an overview of the challenges.

Moderator: **Tom Wood**, Chair, Action on Alcohol and Drugs in Edinburgh, Chair of the National Association of Alcohol and Drug Action teams for Scotland, Edinburgh, United Kingdom

Speakers:

- **Carlos Sottolichio Urquiza**, Mayor of Conchalí (Metropolitan Region of Santiago de Chile), Chile
- **Isabel Ribas i Seix**, Councilor of the city of Barcelona, Spain
- **Daniël Termont**, Mayor of the city of Ghent, Belgium
- **Héctor Zambrano**, Secretary of Health of the city of Bogotá, Colombia

13:15-14:15 Lunch offered by EU-LAC

14:15-15:15 Plenary Session: Treatment Modalities and Systems

Location: ROOM 1

This session will discuss the various approaches to drug treatment, rehabilitation and aftercare adopted by cities in Latin America, the Caribbean and the European Union.

Moderator: **Luis Alfonso**, Psychiatrist and Demand Reduction Specialist, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Speakers:

- **Mariano Montenegro**, National Director for Drug Treatment, National Council for Drug Control (CONACE), Chile
- **Myo Oo**, Psychiatrist, Belleview Hospital, Kingston, Jamaica
- **Birgitta Göransson**, Psychologist, Head of the Treatment National Directorate of the Penitentiary System of Sweden. Sweden

15:15-16:15 Discussion Panels (A) Public Policies in Drug Treatment

Participants may attend one of the three simultaneous panel discussions listed below.

PANEL 1.a. Importance of interagency cooperation in the drug treatment field	PANEL 2.a. Emerging trends. From information to policy. Measuring drug treatment demand	PANEL 3.a. Relationship between national and local policies in drug treatment
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PANEL 1.a. Importance of interagency cooperation in the drug treatment field

Location: ROOM 1

How to bring about useful working relationships among local and national governments and NGO treatment providers.

Moderator: **Enrique Bravo Mena**, President of the Iberoamerican Network of Non-Governmental Organizations working on Drug Dependency issues (RIOD)

Speakers:

- **Bautista Rojas Gómez**, Minister of Public Health and Social Services, Dominican Republic
- **Sean Cassin**, Advisor to the Irish Government on drug strategy, Member of the National Drug Strategy Team, Dublin, Ireland
- **Thierry Charlois**, European Forum for Urban Safety, Paris, France

PANEL 2.a. Emerging trends. Measuring drug treatment demand. From information to policy

Location: ROOM 2

Overview of trends in drug use, and the challenges for cities; the importance of collecting data on drug use at the municipal level; translating data into policy.

Moderator: **Linda Montanari**, European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)

Speakers:

- **Francisco Cumsille**, Coordinator of the Inter-American Observatory on Drugs (OID), Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States
- **John Carnevale**, Expert on Drug Policy, U.S.A.

PANEL 3.a. Relationship between national and local policies in drug treatment

Location: ROOM 3

Understanding the relationship between national and municipal policies on drug treatment – a decentralized approach or a national prerogative?

Moderator: **M^a Paz Fernández Felgueroso**, Mayor of the city of Gijón, Spain

Speakers:

- **Sofía I. Kosmas**, Specialist, Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM), Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States
- **Sven-Eric Alborn**, Deputy Head of The clinic for treatment of drug and alcohol dependence at Sahlgrenska University Hospital, Göteborg, Sweden



16:15-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-17:45 Discussion Panels (B) Public Policies in Drug Treatment

Participants may attend one of the three simultaneous panel discussions listed below.

PANEL 1.b. Drug treatment as the answer to drugs and crime	PANEL 2.b. Economic impact; viability of municipal treatment policies	PANEL 3.b. Importance of cooperation between local and national policies in the area of drug treatment
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PANEL 1.b. Drug treatment as an answer to drugs and crime

Location: ROOM 1

Can drug treatment reduce drug-related crime?

Moderator: **Rafael Franzini**, Deputy Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Speakers:

- **Jose Luis Conde Salgado**, Special Anti-Drug Prosecutor for Galicia, Spain
- **Luciano Bentenutto**, Correction Services, Canada
- **Abelardo Díaz-Flores**, Advisor to the General Directorate for Prisons, Ministry of Public Safety and Justice, El Salvador
- **José Manuel Hernández Peguero**, Prosecutor General of the National District, Dominican Republic

PANEL 2.b. Economic impact; viability of municipal treatment policies

Location: ROOM 2

This panel will discuss how research information on the economic and social impact of the drug problem can be used to improve public policies related to drugs.

Moderators: **Marya Hynes**, Specialist, Inter-American Observatory on Drugs (OID), Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Speakers:

- **Juan Carlos Araneda**, Chilean expert on the economic cost of drugs to society, Chile
- **Svetlana Popova**, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Toronto, Canada
- **John Carnevale**, Expert on Drug Policy, U.S.A.



PANEL 3.b. Importance of coordination of local policies in the area of drug treatment. Best practices

Location: ROOM 3

What legal competence do municipalities have vis-à-vis the central government? How can municipal policies have a real impact on the drug treatment in the community?

Moderator: **Javier Sagredo**, Head of Institutional Development, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Speakers:

- **Jenny Mary Fernández Chapín**, The case of Maracaibo, Venezuela
- **Aldemar Parra**, Responsible for Demand Reduction Policies, General Directorate of Public Health, Ministry of Social Services, Bogotá, Colombia
- **Eugenia Mata**, Drug Institute of Costa Rica, Costa Rica
- **Pavlos N. Theodorakis**, National Counterpart in WHO Europe for Mental Health, Advisor to the Mayor of Athens, Greece

19:00-21:30 Reception and music hosted by the City of Santo Domingo. Location: Plaza España. The Mayor of Santo Domingo will award the key of the City to participating Mayors



THURSDAY APRIL 3, 2008

08:15-09:00 Keynote Speaker. Drug abuse treatment: models and outcomes

Location: ROOM 1

Presents: **James F. Mack**, Executive Secretary, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States (OAS)

Keynote Speaker: **Wallace Mandell**, Professor Emeritus, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA

09:00-10:00 Plenary Session. EU and LAC regional strategies on treatment: Complementary or different approaches?

Location: ROOM 1

Treatment for drug dependency in the European Union is often different from treatment approaches and protocols in Latin America and the Caribbean. Discussion of these differences, and of the reasons why this is the case.

Moderator: **Anna Chisman**, Head of Demand Reduction, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Speakers:

- **Meni Malliori**, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Medical School, University of Athens. Former member of the European parliament.
- **Luis Alfonso**, Psychiatrist and Demand Reduction Specialist, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States
- **Thomas Hallberg**, Director of the European Cities Against Drugs (ECAD), Sweden

10:00-10:30 Coffee Break

10:30-11:30 Plenary Session. "EU-LAC Projects" Introduction to thematic areas

Location: ROOM 1

This session will address plans for future cooperation among cities that will be developed at this Forum. EU-LAC will discuss how city alliances may be created and what activities can be supported and how

Moderators:

- **Rafael Franzini**, Deputy Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States
- **Antonio Lomba**, EU-LAC Project Manager, Demand Reduction Specialist, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Presentation of Thematic Groups



Group 1. Public policies in drug treatment. The use of data and information. Strategies

Presents:

Dario Espiga, Deputy Member of Executive Board, City of Göteborg, Sweden, and member of the EU-LAC Steering Committee

Group 2. Treatment Modalities. Treatment and Social Exclusion: Immigrants, Age, Gender Best practices in drug treatment. Protocols

Presents:

Luis Alfonzo, Psychiatrist and Demand Reduction Specialist, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Miguel Casas, Professor of Psychiatry, University of Barcelona, Spain

Group 3. Treatment alternatives to incarceration

Presents:

Paul Bentley, Judge and Chair of the International Association of Drug Treatment Courts (IADTC)

11:30-12:30 Discussion Panels

Participants may attend one of the three simultaneous thematic discussions listed below.

PANEL 1.c. Treatment alternatives to incarceration (court-supervised drug treatment)	PANEL 2.c. NGOs and drug treatment. Best practices	PANEL 3.c. Drug use and associated diseases. Treatment protocols
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PANEL 1.c. Treatment alternatives to incarceration (court-supervised drug treatment)

Location: ROOM 1

This session will introduce some experiences with drug treatment alternatives to incarceration for drug-dependent offenders. Discussion points will include: obstacles and difficulties encountered; infrastructure needed; possible changes in legislation, and steps taken in successful experiences

Moderator: **Paul Bentley**, Judge and Chair of the International Association of Drug Treatment Courts (IADTC)

Speakers:

- o **Catalina Droppelmann**, Paz Ciudadana, Chile
- o **Brice de Ruyver**, Director of the Institute for International Research on Criminal Policy (IRCP), and Full Professor of Criminal Law, Ghent University, Ghent, Belgium
- o **Julius Lang**, Director, Technical Assistance Center for Court Innovation. New York, USA



PANEL 2.c. NGOs and drug treatment. Best practices

Location: ROOM 2

Presentation of NGO experiences in the area of drug treatment

Moderator: **Gabriel Mejía**, President of the Latin-American Federation of Therapeutic Communities (FLACT), Medellín, Colombia

Speakers:

- **Mike Massaro-Mallinson**, Sexual Health and Substance Misuse Programme Manager from NHS Lothian, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK
- **Carmen Fernández Cáceres**, General Director of Operations, Youth Integration Centers (CIJ), Mexico
- **Carlos Guillermo Machut**, Secretariat for the Prevention of Drug Addiction and Narcotics Trafficking (SEDRONAR), Argentina

PANEL 3.c. Drug use and associated diseases. Treatment protocols

Location: ROOM 3

Dual diagnosis and associated mental disorders

Moderator: **Manuel Herrera**, National Drug Council of the Dominican Republic

Speakers:

- **Carlos Roncero Alonso**, Department of Psychiatry. Hospital Valle Hebrón of Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain
- **Edgard Belfort**, Vice President and President-elect of the Latin American Psychiatric Association (APAL)
- **Winston de la Haye**, Psychiatrist and Professor, the University of the West Indies, Jamaica

12:30-14:00 Lunch offered by the Global Foundation for Democracy and Development (GFDD)
14:00-15:30 Discussion Panels

Participants may attend one of the three simultaneous panel discussions listed below.

PANEL 1.d. Experiences and best practices in the area of treatment alternatives to incarceration	PANEL 2.d. High risk groups: social exclusion. Treatment for specific populations: immigration, gender, age, treatment in prisons, etc.	PANEL 3.d. Treatment and HIV/AIDS. Harm reduction *
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PANEL 1.d. Experiences and best practices in the area of treatment alternatives to incarceration

Location: ROOM 1

This session is a continuation of panel 1.c., on experiences with drug treatment alternatives to incarceration

Moderator: **Michael Sullivan**, Esq., former staff member of the Office of Legal Counsel, Organization of American States

Speakers:

- **West Huddleston**, Executive Director of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP), U.S.A.
- **María Mercedes Dueñas**, Demand Reduction Adviser, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, (UNODC), Regional Office in Colombia
- **Alfred Maybury**, Director of Child and Family Services, Bermuda
- **Jose Antonio Varela**, Judge and Member for International Cooperation of the Spanish Judicial Commission, Spain.

PANEL 2.d. High risk groups: social exclusion. Treatment for specific populations: immigration, gender, age, and treatment in prisons.

Location: ROOM 2

Moderator: **Miguel Casas**, Professor of Psychiatry, University of Barcelona, Spain

Speakers:

- **Susana Fergusson Jaramillo**, Director, Procrear Foundation, Bogota, Colombia
- **David Allen**, Psychiatrist, Renescance Institute, The Bahamas
- **Judy Ashburn**, Executive Director, *Bridges: Rebuilding Women's Lives*, Washington, D.C., U.S.A
- **Alejandro Maggiora**, Secretariat for the Prevention of Drug Addiction and Narcotics Trafficking (SEDRONAR), Argentina

PANEL 3.d. Treatment and HIV/AIDS. Harm reduction *

Location: ROOM 3

Moderator: **Monica Malta**, Research associate professor at the Sergio Arouca National School of Public Health, from Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (FIOCRUZ). Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Speakers:

- **Marcus Day**, Director of the Caribbean Drug & Alcohol Research Institute, Saint Lucia
- **Andrej Kastelic**, World Federation for Treatment of Opiate Dependence & National Center for Treatment of Drug Addiction, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- **Grazia Zuffa**, Psychologist and psychotherapist. Member of the advisory council on drug addiction of the Italian Ministry for Social Solidarity, Italy
- **Juergen Weimer**, Municipal office for drug policy, Frankfurt, Germany

15:30-16:00	Coffee Break
16:00-17:00	Discussion Panels



Participants may attend one of the three simultaneous panel discussions listed below

PANEL 1.e. Training in drug treatment. Capacity-building	PANEL 2.e. From drug treatment to rehabilitation and aftercare	PANEL 3.e. Challenges in treatment: Innovative and best practices
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PANEL 1.e. Training in drug treatment. Capacity-building

Location: ROOM 1

Moderator: **Francisco Cumsille**, Coordinator of the Inter-American Observatory on Drugs (OID), Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Speakers:

- o **Winston de la Haye**, Psychiatrist and Professor, University of the West Indies, Jamaica
- o **Daniel Lloret**, Miguel Hernández University, Alicante, Spain
- o **María Mercedes Dueñas**, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, (UNODC), Regional Office in Colombia

PANEL 2.e. From drug treatment to rehabilitation and aftercare

Location: ROOM 2

Moderator: **Enrique Dorantes Martínez.** , General Director of the Institute of Psychiatry of Baja California. Mexicali, Mexico

Speakers:

- o **Gabriel Mejía**, President, Latin-American Federation of Therapeutic Communities (FLACT), Medellín, Colombia
- o **David McCartney**, Clinical Lead, Lothian & Edinburgh Abstinence Programme (LEAP), Edinburgh, Scotland, United Kingdom
- o **Antonella Camposeragna**. Rome City Agency for Drug Addiction, Rome, Italy

PANEL 3.e. Challenges in treatment: Innovative and best practices

Location: ROOM 3

Moderator: **Alex Hill**, Demand Reduction Specialist. Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Speakers:

- o **Félix González**, "*Consumo Cuidado*" Program, Director-General, Social Development Division, City of Montevideo, Uruguay
- o **João Goulão**, National Coordinator on Drugs, Portugal
- o **Telmo M. Ronzani**, Director of Prevention and Treatment Policies. National Anti-Drug Secretary of Brazil. SENAD. Brazil

17:00-17:30 Wrap-up Session: Short presentations from discussion panels C, D, and E

19:30-21:30 Reception offered by the National Drug Council of the Dominican Republic: Ruinas de San Francisco



FRIDAY APRIL 4, 2008

08:30-09:15 Keynote Speaker. The city and drugs. Challenges for local policies

Location: ROOM 1

Presents: **James F. Mack**, Executive Secretary, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Keynote Speaker:

Aldo Lale-Demoz, UNODC Representative in Colombia

09:15-10:15 Plenary Session. Thematic Areas and Projects

Location: ROOM 1

This Forum is intended to lead to collaborative projects, long-term alliances and exchange visits with a view to improving drug treatment in the participating cities. This session will review how these alliances may be struck during the Forum and subsequently, and the broad subject areas involved.

Moderator: **Anna McG. Chisman**, Head of Demand Reduction, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Group 1. Public Policies in Drug Treatment. The use of Data and Information. Strategies

Presents: **Gustavo Adrián Segnana**, Secretariat for the Prevention of Drug Addiction and Narcotics Trafficking (SEDRONAR), Argentina

Group 2. Treatment Modalities. Treatment and Social Exclusion: Immigrants, Age, Gender Best practices in drug treatment. Protocols

Presents: **Miguel Casas**, Professor of Psychiatry, University of Barcelona, Spain

Group 3. Treatment Alternatives to Incarceration

Presents: **Paul Bentley**, Judge and Chair of the International Association of Drug Treatment Courts (IADTC)

10:15-10:45

Coffee Break

10:45-11:45 Sectoral Working Groups, Alliances and Project Profiles

Participants will attend the sectoral group that best meets their interest. The group meetings will discuss specific ways in which cities, and institutions within cities, can best cooperate to enhance drug treatment.

Important: Simultaneous sessions in different rooms

Group 1. Public Policies in Drug Treatment. The use of Data and Information. Strategies

Location: ROOM 1

Moderator:

Francisco Cumsille, Coordinator of the Inter-American Observatory on Drugs (OID), Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States



**Group 2. Treatment Modalities. Treatment and Social Exclusion: Immigrants, Age, Gender
Best practices in drug treatment. Protocols**

Location: ROOM 2

Moderator:

Luis Alfonzo, Psychiatrist and Demand Reduction Specialist, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Group 3. (Panel Discussion) Treatment Alternatives to Incarceration

Location: ROOM 3

Paul Bentley, Judge and Chair of the International Association of Drug Treatment Courts (IADTC)

Carmen C6 Freitas, Psychiatrist and Regional Director of the National Association of Therapeutic Justice (ANJT), Brazil

V6ctor Fraga Gayoso, Director of the Penitentiary Center of Monterroso, Lugo, Spain

11:45-12:45 Sectoral Working Groups. Project Design

Participating cities will discuss concrete activities that they may undertake together with other cities in the various thematic areas. **Important:** Simultaneous sessions in different rooms

Group 1. Public Policies in Drug Treatment. The use of data and information. Strategies

Location: ROOM 1

Moderator:

Pernell Clark, Specialist, Inter-American Observatory on Drugs (OID) Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States (OAS)

**Group 2. Treatment Modalities. Treatment and Social Exclusion: Immigrants, Age, Gender
Best practices in drug treatment. Protocols**

Location: ROOM 2

Moderator:

María Paula Luna, Demand Reduction Specialist, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Group 3. Treatment Alternatives to Incarceration

Location: ROOM 3

Moderators:

María Mercedes Dueñas, Demand Reduction Adviser, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, (UNODC), Regional Office in Colombia

West Huddleston, Executive Director of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP), U.S.A.



12:45-14:15 Lunch offered by EU-LAC

14:15-15:15 Sectoral Working Groups, Project Design and Projects Presentation

The different thematic areas will develop work plans and prepare for their presentation in the plenary session. Schedule of activities, events, forums, workshops, exchanges plans for the following two years

Important: Simultaneous sessions in different rooms

Group 1. Public policies in drug treatment. The use of data and information. Strategies

Location: ROOM 1

Francisco Cumsille, Coordinator of the Inter-American Observatory on Drugs (OID), Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Group 2. Treatment Modalities. Treatment and Social Exclusion: Immigrants, Age, Gender Best practices in drug treatment. Protocols

Location: ROOM 2

Luis Alfonso, Psychiatrist and Demand Reduction Specialist, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Group 3. Treatment Alternatives to Incarceration

Location: ROOM 3

Paul Bentley, Judge and Chair of the International Association of Drug Treatment Courts (IADTC)

15:15-16:15 Plenary Session. Projects presentation

Location: ROOM 1

Moderator: **James F. Mack**, Executive Secretary, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Organization of American States

Group 1. Public policies in drug treatment. The use of data and information. Strategies

Group 2. Treatment Modalities. Treatment and Social Exclusion: Immigrants, Age, Gender Best practices in drug treatment. Protocols

Group 3. Treatment alternatives to incarceration.

16:15-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-17:30 Plenary Session. Projects presentation and Forum Closing Ceremony

Location: ROOM 1

Summary of the agreements and official closure of the Forum

Speakers:

- **Mabel Féliz Báez**, President of the National Drug Council of the Dominican Republic



- **Alexandre Addor-Neto**, Secretary for Multidimensional Security, Organization of American States
- **Marino Vinicio Castillo**, Secretary of State and Executive Branch Advisor, Presidency of the Dominican Republic
- **Roberto Salcedo**, Mayor of the City of Santo Domingo

19:00-21:30 Closing Reception offered by the Presidency of the Dominican Republic

SATURDAY APRIL 5, 2008

08:00-12:00 City Tour

City Tour: Organized by the Secretary of Tourism of the Dominican Republic

09:00-10:00 EU-LAC Steering Committee Meeting

Representatives from the cities of Edinburgh, Lugo, Göteborg, Santo Domingo and Montevideo, CICAD and the European Commission

* In the framework of this Action, the notion of harm reduction mainly refers to: low threshold walk-in centers where medical treatment and social services are provided to problematic drug users without the requirements that they immediately become drug-free; the use of street educators who will actively seek out and engage socially-excluded drug users in order to bring them into contact with medical and other services; and HIV/AIDS prevention. Specifically excluded from this project is the participation of OAS member governments in the financing, operations or facilitation of: a) safe injecting rooms, and b) medically-prescribed heroin. More broadly speaking, funds from this Action will not be used to finance activities that are not consistent with the laws of the member states of the OAS."