

ISSUP Newsletter - Issue 80

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It is a pleasure to bring you the 80th ISSUP newsletter. As we all adjust to working together in new ways, our digital connections and networks have never been so important. The last few months have been a time to reflect, innovate and draw inspiration from the wonderful work being done by friends and partners around the world. Thank you all for your support and dedication!

June drew to a close with the commemoration of **International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking 2020**. On June 25th the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) also launched its eagerly awaited **World Drug Report 2020**.



The Report launched alongside a call-to-action of “[Better Knowledge for Better Care](#)” emphasising the need to improve our collective understanding of the world drug problem and how better knowledge will foster **greater international cooperation** for countering its impact on health, governance and security.

The analysis reveals that around 269 million people used drugs worldwide in 2018 - **30 per cent higher than in 2009**, while over **35 million** people suffer from drug use disorders. Worldwide only one in eight people who need drug-related treatment receive it.

leading to increased prices and greatly reduced purity. The changing composition of global illicit drug supply and the ability of **adulterants** to increase COVID-19 risk was the focus of [two presentations by Thom Browne Jr.](#) recently hosted by ISSUP.

The World Drug Report's policy recommendations advocate for scaling up **scientific evidence-based interventions** for the treatment of drug use disorders, citing overwhelming evidence that the cost of providing evidence-based treatment for drug use disorders is much lower than the cost of untreated drug dependence. The Report also recommends scaling up **overdose prevention** interventions at the National level and increasing efforts to combat **stigma**.

You can read the full reports including **executive summary** in English, Spanish and French here: [UNODC World Drug Report 2020](#)

Updates/

National Chapters News



[Pakistan: Seminar on the role of women in drug use prevention](#)



[Uganda: Situation analysis of alcohol abuse among youth during lockdown](#)



Intention to Establish a National Chapter

The International Society of Substance Use Professionals (ISSUP) would like to share its intention to establish a National Chapter in Greece. Any organisation, institution or other party interested in undertaking or hosting this proposed development should contact ISSUP (Global) for further information about ISSUP's National Chapters and the application process. **Deadline for any notification is: 24 July 2020.**

Please contact: nationalchapter@issup.net | www.issup.net

Opening Events



Diplomatura en abordaje integral de los consumos problemáticos de drogas.

UMSA – ISSUP Argentina

Formato: 100% virtual.

Total: 80 Horas

Descuento para miembros ISSUP y alumnos UMSA

Certificación Universitaria de la UMSA y de ISSUP Argentina. [Más información.](#)

ONLINE COURSE - Video Classes and Conferences



International Workshop on Drug Prevention in School. Freemind and ISSUP Brazil cordially invite you to this workshop designed to help participants prevent the harmful use of substances in schools. [More information.](#)



Virtual Conference 13-15 July 2020

Educating and Promoting Addiction Science in a Virtual World

icuddr.org

ICUDDR Virtual Conference 2020. Join ICUDDR on July 13 – 15th for presentations on technologies and tips for engaging students, how to teach skills in an online format, and program development in Addiction Studies. [More information.](#)

- [Register now! SPR 2020 Annual Meeting: 'Why Context Matters: Towards a Place-Based Prevention Science'](#)

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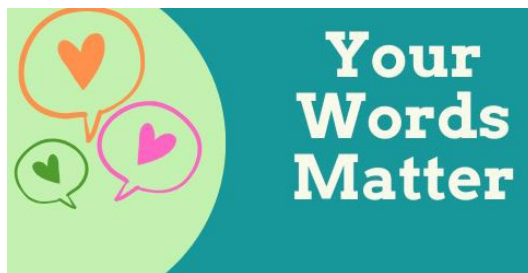
[Thom Browne Jr. presentations
on drug supply composition &
COVID-19 risks](#)



[UNODC Web Seminar - Drug
Dependence Treatment, Care and
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[UNODC
World Drug Report 2020](#)



[Words Matter - Terms to Use and
Avoid When Talking About Addiction](#)

- [Motivational Interviewing Course with Dr. Igor Koutsenok MD, MS](#)
- [The Impact of Drugs in the Workplace](#)
- [Integrating Treatment for Co-Occurring Mental Health Conditions](#)
- [UNODC Strategic Vision for Africa 2020-2030](#)
- [Webinar ISSUP Argentina: Justicia Terapéutica](#)
- [Webinar ISSUP México: Día Internacional de la Lucha contra el Uso Indebido y el Tráfico Ilícito de Drogas](#)
- [Webinar ISSUP Ukraine: Clinical Aspects of Substance Use Disorders \(Ukrainian\)](#)

The ISSUP [Coronavirus Support Network](#) is a place to find guidance on COVID-19 best practice and a space to share your information and experiences with peers from across the international drug demand reduction community.

Latest/

Jobs & Opportunities

- [Postdoctoral Traineeship- University of Minnesota \(closes 31 July\)](#)
- [Funded PhD Opportunity- Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland \(closes 3 September\)](#)

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- [PhD Opportunity- Edinburgh Napier University, UK \(closes 14 October\)](#)

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