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Welcome to this edition! As we enter the last few weeks of 2020 it has been good to pause and reflect on what has been an exceptional year for ISSUP.

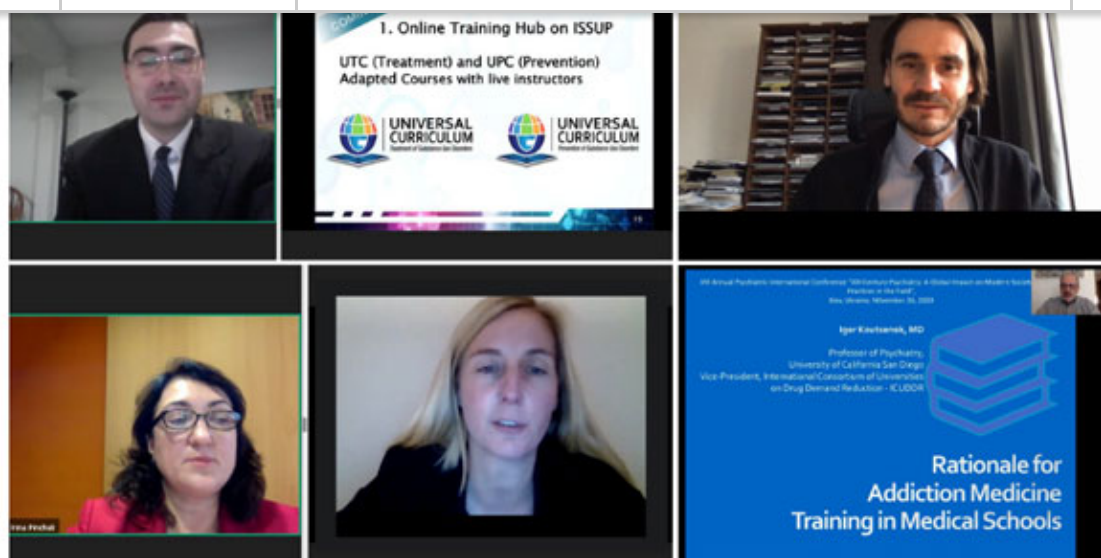
Since January the Society has grown by over **7000 members** in **186 countries and territories** worldwide. Online events and the first virtual ISSUP Conference attracted more than **17,000 attendees**. The network continues to expand and since September we have celebrated the launch of three new National Chapters in **Peru, Czech Republic and Ukraine**. Your support and enthusiasm has helped the ISSUP family grow into an extensive global network of connected and committed professionals.

We want to thank everyone who has become involved with ISSUP for their diligence, hard work and successes in spite of a year like no other. We look forward to welcoming many more new members and National Chapters to ISSUP in the New Year.

National Chapters/

ISSUP Ukraine Launch

Congratulations to **ISSUP Ukraine** on their successful National Chapter launch last week. The [virtual launch event](#) took place at the beginning of the **VIII Annual Psychiatric International Conference** and featured presentations from Brian A. Morales, Joanna Travis-Roberts, Olha Myshakivska, Igor Koutsenok, and Iryna Pinchuk. Michal Miovský, Chair of the recently launched ISSUP Czech Republic National Chapter, and Anja Busse from UNODC, delivered welcome messages to kick-off the event.

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The launch was a highlight for both the Conference and the drug demand reduction community in Ukraine. After the event, the Chair of ISSUP Ukraine, Iryna Pinchuk, commented:

As we have expected, the ISSUP Ukraine Launch was one of the most impressive events of the Conference. We had 439 people joined the Launch from 59 countries in total. I don't think there have been conferences in Ukraine with so many participating countries. It is a great success for us! How many countries have learned about us! It is very nice to feel like a member of such a huge family! I'm sure that one day we can all meet together offline.

We would like to thank our distinguished guests, the 439 participants who joined us, and the organisers for making the launch of ISSUP Ukraine such a great occasion. A very big thank you goes to all of our colleagues in ISSUP National Chapters across Asia, Africa and Latin America for the wonderful messages of support you sent us to play during the event.

We wish ISSUP Ukraine every success in their future endeavours and look forward to working with the team in the months and years ahead. Read more about the launch event and watch the recording [here](#).

For your diary/

Upcoming Events

3 December

2020. Presentation of research on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic

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ISSUP Argentina invites you to participate in a webinar focused on prevention and treatment strategies (webinar in Spanish) [Register](#)

**11 December 2020.**

ISSUP Pakistan bring you this webinar on skills training, communication skills and coping styles for parents, teachers and youth. [Register](#)

Please visit the [ISSUP Events Calendar](#) for more listings.

Resources/

Knowledge Share



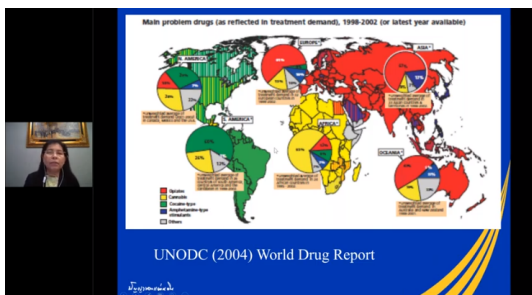
WiRED International provides free computer-based medical and health education to communities around the world with the aim of providing peer-reviewed, evidence-based educational training tools that enable community members to take responsibility for and contribute to their own health. The organisation has developed a range of modules for anyone working in the healthcare field. [Click here](#) to find out more about WiRED modules, including their health module on quitting smoking.

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COVID-19 through the eyes of a psychotherapist at a drug treatment facility. Practitioners in **Uzbekistan** are adapting to new constraints posed by COVID-19. Read the interview with Dr. Tatyana Sobornitskaya [here](#).



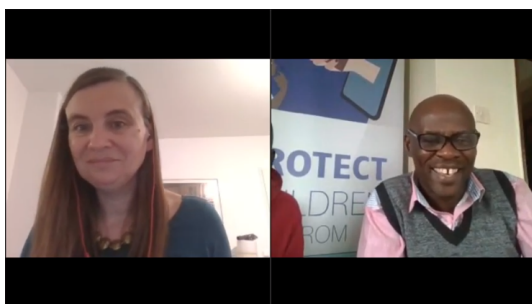
Kazakhstan: Ensuring continued access to health care during a pandemic, including services for people who use drugs and treatment of drug use disorders, is vital. [Find out how UNODC is helping mental health workers in Kazakhstan to stay safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.](#)



[The Prevalence of Substance Use Disorders in the Asia Region](#)



[Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Training Workbook](#)



[ISSUP Uganda: Family Based Interventions during COVID-19](#)



[ISSUP Nigeria Knowledge Update Series \(Third Session\)](#)

ACT-SAB
Addictions Counseling Today: Substances and Addictive Behaviors
UPDATE

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COVID 19 AND BEYOND:
IMPACT ON MENTAL HEALTH

OPEN FORUM

[COVID-19 and Beyond: Impact on](#)

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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.

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Jobs & Opportunities

- [Programme Officer, Kenya, UNODC \(Treatment of Drug Use Disorders\) - Temporary, closes 17 December 2020](#)
- [Call for Papers: Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment](#)
- [Call for Papers: Addictology Journal](#)



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