



Global Opportunities for Workforce Building and Support

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Today's presentation

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Introduction to ISSUP and why the workforce matters

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What does ISSUP do?

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Opportunities for further collaboration



46,466 members

Our Mission

We are an international network that unites, connects and shares knowledge across the substance use prevention, harm reduction, treatment and recovery support workforce.

Our global mission is to make the work of our members as effective as possible. We do this by making it easier to discover and share knowledge, training and networking opportunities.



41 National Chapters



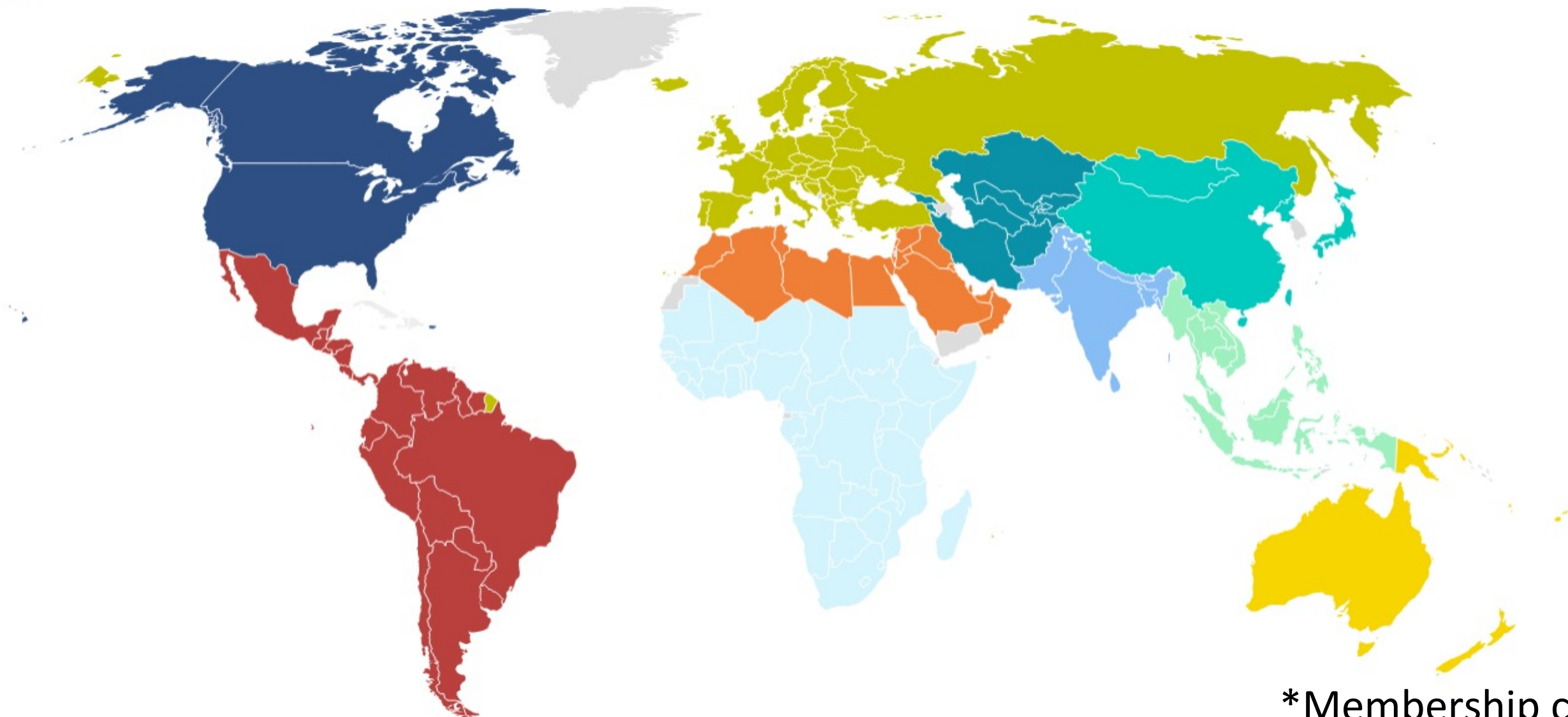


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46,466* members

Europe: 2,257	North Africa & Middle East: 1,606	South Asia: 9,857	The Caribbean: 818
North America: 2,597	Sub-Saharan Africa: 10,836	East Asia: 206	Australia & Oceania: 212
Latin America: 9,718	Central Asia & the Caucasus: 844	Southeast Asia: 4,553	Other / multiple regions: 3,096



*Membership count 11th Sep 2025

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Law Enforcement
Affairs (INL).



Originated from a group calling for coherence and collaboration in the field:

U.S. Department of
State's Bureau of
International Narcotics
and Law Enforcement
Affairs (INL)

Colombo Plan - Drug
Advisory
Programme (DAP)

United Nations Office
on Drugs and
Crime (UNODC)

World Health
Organization (WHO)

Inter-American Drug
Abuse Control
Commission (CICAD -
OAS)

Applied Prevention
Science
International (APSI)

African Union
Commission (AUC)

European Drug
Monitoring
Centre (EMCDDA)

Canadian Centre on
Substance Use and
Addiction (CCSA)

How do we work?



DIGITAL



ISSUP Online



- **Access to knowledge: research articles, publications, webinars, events and best practice.**
- **Opportunities for networking, collaboration and sharing.**
- **Information on training opportunities, including e-learning.**
- **Membership to suit different career levels.**
- **Regular email updates (events, newsletter etc.)**

Knowledge Share

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Knowledge Share

Theme

Show all themes

 Prevention (1135)

 Treatment (476)

 Recovery (25)

 Substances (243)

 Populations (40)

Search

Prevention



Looking Back: A retirement interview with Jeff Lee

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 Prevention (1135)

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 Quality Assurance (145)

 Public health (1568)

 Mental health (436)

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Search Knowledge Share

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Date

Relevance

Alternatives to Incarceration (ATI) Reading List

Publication Date: 21 May 2024

Format: Reading List

Themes: Treatment | Recovery | Populations | Policy | Alternatives to Incarceration

Partner Organisation: ICATI



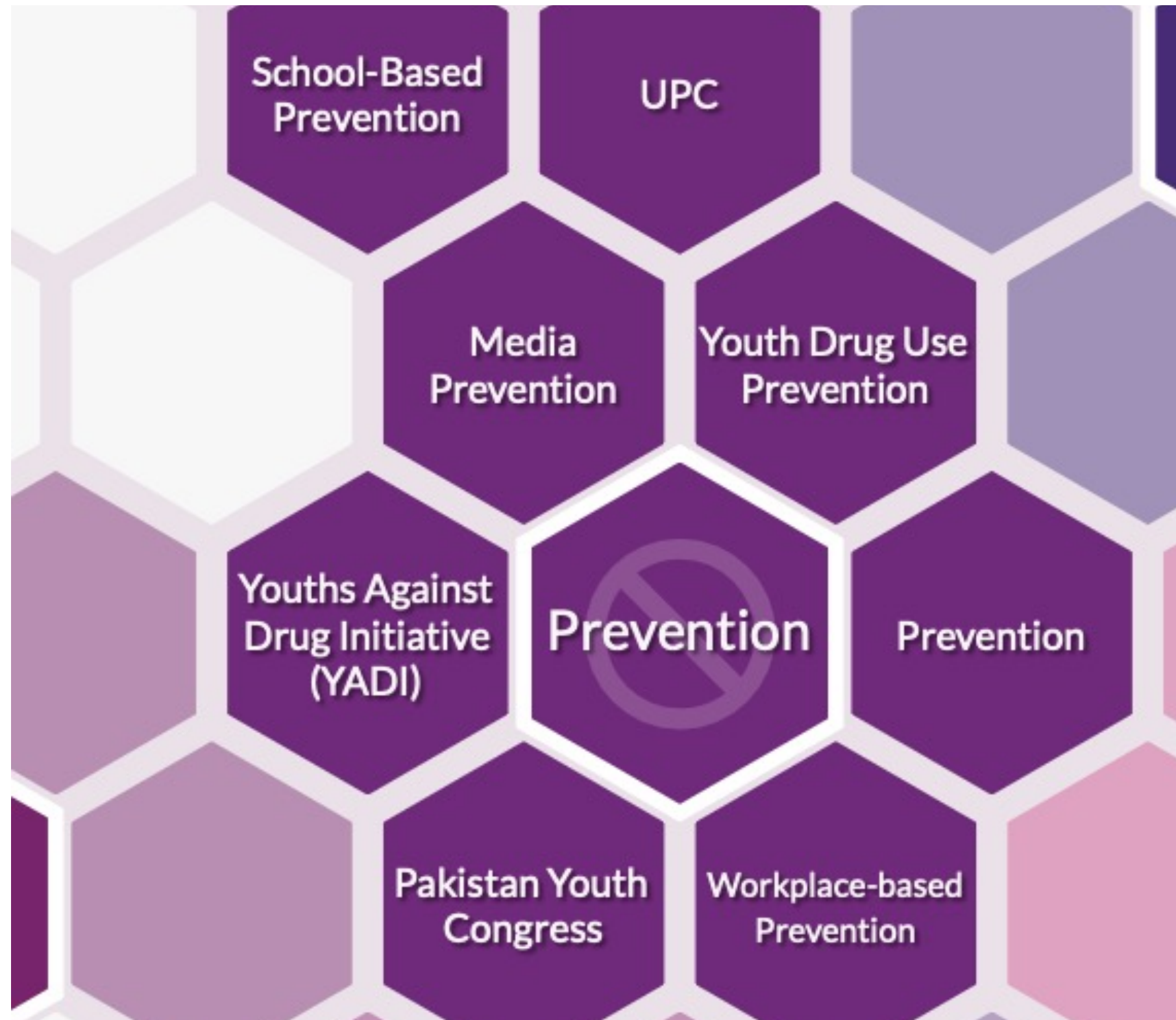
Alternatives to Incarceration (ATI) encompass multi-sector approach on strategies and programs designed to divert individuals with

Prevention resources are readily accessible through our website, facilitating knowledge sharing and networking opportunities for prevention professionals.

The **Knowledge Share** currently has over **5000 resources** on a wide range of prevention-related topics and insights.



Networks



Addictology Journal



Collaboration with Charles University, Prague

Promote the transfer of international research into practice

Encourage inputs that are relevant and accessible to practitioners

4 free issues a year

Encourage contributions from all areas of the field and support to contributors

TRAINING





UNIVERSAL CURRICULA

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<https://www.issup.net/training>

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Professional Development

Online Learning Hub

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Universal Curricula (UPC/UTC)

[Universal Prevention
Curriculum](#)

[Universal Treatment
Curriculum](#)

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Resources

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Welcome to the Online Learning Hub!

Welcome to the Online Learning Hub! Here you will find access for ISSUP members to the online versions of the Universal Prevention, Treatment & Recovery Curricula (UPC, UTC & URC).



► [Instructor-led Courses](#)

► [Self-led Courses](#)

Learn more about the Universal Curriculum [here](#).

How to take a course:

If you have been invited to participate in a course by your training provider, please follow that link to your registration page. For full registration instructions, [please visit our registration guide](#).

Once the courses have been piloted and are being run by Training Providers, you will find links to the courses on our webpages.

All the courses are hosted on [HealthKnowledge.org](https://www.healthknowledge.org). All course participants must be ISSUP members and register via the ISSUP website. Once the course is completed, this will be added to your My ISSUP profile.

Introduction to Evidence-based Prevention (INEP Plus)

INEP

- Solid content for self motivated individuals based on EUPC (EUDA)
- Online independent learning (40hrs)
- Introductory concepts for understanding prevention



INEP+ Plus

- Opportunity to address, share, learn – with others
- Supported by trainers and facilitators
- Encourages understanding and meaningful learning plus supported implementation

Investing in Evidence- Based Prevention (IEP)



Objectives

To offer a basic understanding of prevention science and what constitutes evidence-based prevention

To review what "works" – and what doesn't – in substance use prevention

To help ensure value and effective outcomes for investment in substance use prevention

To build a network of decision-, policy-makers and funders focused on EB prevention

NATIONAL CHAPTERS



National Chapters

**41 established
National
Chapters**

**4 National
Chapters in
progress**

**52 countries
expressed
interest**

- **Spearheads ISSUP's mission at the national level**
- **Encourages national and regional collaboration amongst prevention, treatment, harm reduction and recovery professionals**

National Chapters (41)

Bárbara	Olha	Radolf	Kirsty
Argentina	Afghanistan	Botswana	The Bahamas
Brazil	India	Cote d'Ivoire	Czech Republic
Chile	Indonesia	Egypt	Greece
Colombia	Kazakhstan	Kenya	Italy
El Salvador	Malaysia	Nigeria	Lebanon
Guatemala	Philippines	South Africa	Türkiye
Mexico	Sri Lanka	Tanzania	UAE
Panama	Ukraine	The Gambia	United Kingdom
Paraguay	Uzbekistan	Togo	USA
Peru	Vietnam	Uganda	
Spain		Zambia	

Upcoming National Chapters

Africa (1)	Asia (2)	Americas (4)	Europe, Middle East & Caribbean (1)
ISSUP Ethiopia	ISSUP Korea	ISSUP Uruguay	ISSUP Qatar
	ISSUP Singapore	ISSUP Ecuador	
		ISSUP Costa Rica	
		ISSUP Canada	



Upcoming National Chapters

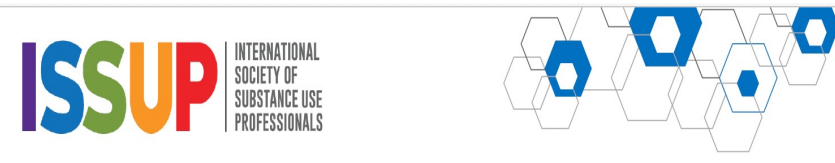
Ongoing Tenders



Intention to Establish a National Chapter in Zambia

The International Society of Substance Use Professionals (ISSUP) would like to share its intention to establish a **National Chapter in Zambia**. 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: Friday 30th August 2024.**

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



Intention to Re-establish a National Chapter

The International Society of Substance Use Professionals (ISSUP) National Chapter in the UK is looking for partner organisations to support their future development. Prospective organisations will support the existing National Chapter to build and strengthen the network of drug demand reduction professionals in the UK. We are particularly looking for partner organisations (this can be an NGO, non-governmental organisation or civil society group) who can provide geographical representation in the UK, has a clear connection to workforce development, can offer experience in membership engagement and has the ability to engage partners that work in prevention, harm reduction, treatment and/or recovery support.

Any organisation interested in undertaking this proposed development, which will be in the form of a consortium (and will continue to be led by the current host organisation, Middlesex University), should email nationalchapter@issup.net for further information about the application process. **Deadline for any notification is: 31 August 2024**

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



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 Canada. Any organisation, institution or other party interested in undertaking or hosting this proposed development should contact ISSUP for further information about ISSUP's National Chapters and the application process.

The deadline for any notification is: 6 September 2024.

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Intention to Establish a National Chapter in Cameroon

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EVENTS



Online Events



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ICUDDR
The International Consortium of Universities for
Drug Demand Reduction

Co-Creation in Community- Based Prevention



Dr. Ina Konning
Professor

Clinical Child and Family
Studies, Faculty of
Behavioural and
Movement Sciences, VU
University, Netherlands.



Samuel Tomczyk
Junior Professor

Digital Health and
Prevention,
Institute of Psychology,
University of Greifswald,
Germany.

Tuesday, 28th May 2024 **2:00 PM CEST | 8:00 AM EST**
 <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4454255083781363034>

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Building Inclusive Recovery Cities: An international movement for community building, recovery and prevention



David Best

Director
Centre for Addiction
Recovery Research, Leeds



Mulka Nisic

Research Officer
Centre for Hate Studies,
University of Leicester



Dot Smith

CEO
Recovery Connections,
Northeast England.



Regina Mattsson

Secretary General
World Federation Against
Drugs (WFAD)



Amy Ronshausen

Executive Director
Drug Free America
Foundation, Inc.

Thursday, 6th June 2024 **2:00 PM London | 9:00 AM EST**
 <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7331629734253214046>

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MALAYSIA chapter

Challenges in Implementing an Effective Prevention Program



Prof. Sobia Aftab
Professor, Institute of
Clinical Psychology
University of Karachi



Dr. Maria Corazon Dumlaog
Chief Health Program Officer,
Bureau of Learner Support,
Department of Education, Philippines



Ms. Susan Maua
Manager,
Public Education and
Advocacy Unit of NACADA



Ms. Cindy Biding
Moderator
Founding President, OAPTAR
President, ISSUP Malaysia.

Tuesday, 30th April 2024 **8:00 PM Malaysia | 1:00 PM UK**
 <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2647439720108083799>

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SPAIN chapter

LIVE WEBINAR

Acelerar los Sistemas de Prevención en las Políticas sobre Drogas: nuevas iniciativas



Wadih Maalouf
Coordinador Global de
Prevención, UNODC, Austria



Oriol Esculies
Comisionado Internacional,
Proyecto Hombre, España



Natalia Zachartzi
Directora,
SEIRIOS, Grecia



Yvonne Larsen
KORUS Oslo,
Norway



Alexander Sollie Hvaring
KORUS Oslo,
Norway

Viernes, 19 de abril de 2024 **16:00 CEST | 15:00 Reino Unido**
 <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7331629734253214046>

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LEBANON chapter

Strategies in Media and Social Media for Substance Use Prevention

Bechara Ghaoui

Head of Communication and Fundraising
Department.
Deputy CEO, Mentor Arabia.



Thursday 25th April 2024 **4:00 PM Beirut | 2:00 PM UK**
 <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6515859176634060892>

2015 Bangkok

2016 Campinas

2017 Cancun

2018 Nairobi

2019 Vienna

2020 South Africa (Virtual)

2021 Virtual

2022 Abu Dhabi

2022 Manila

2023 Buenos Aires

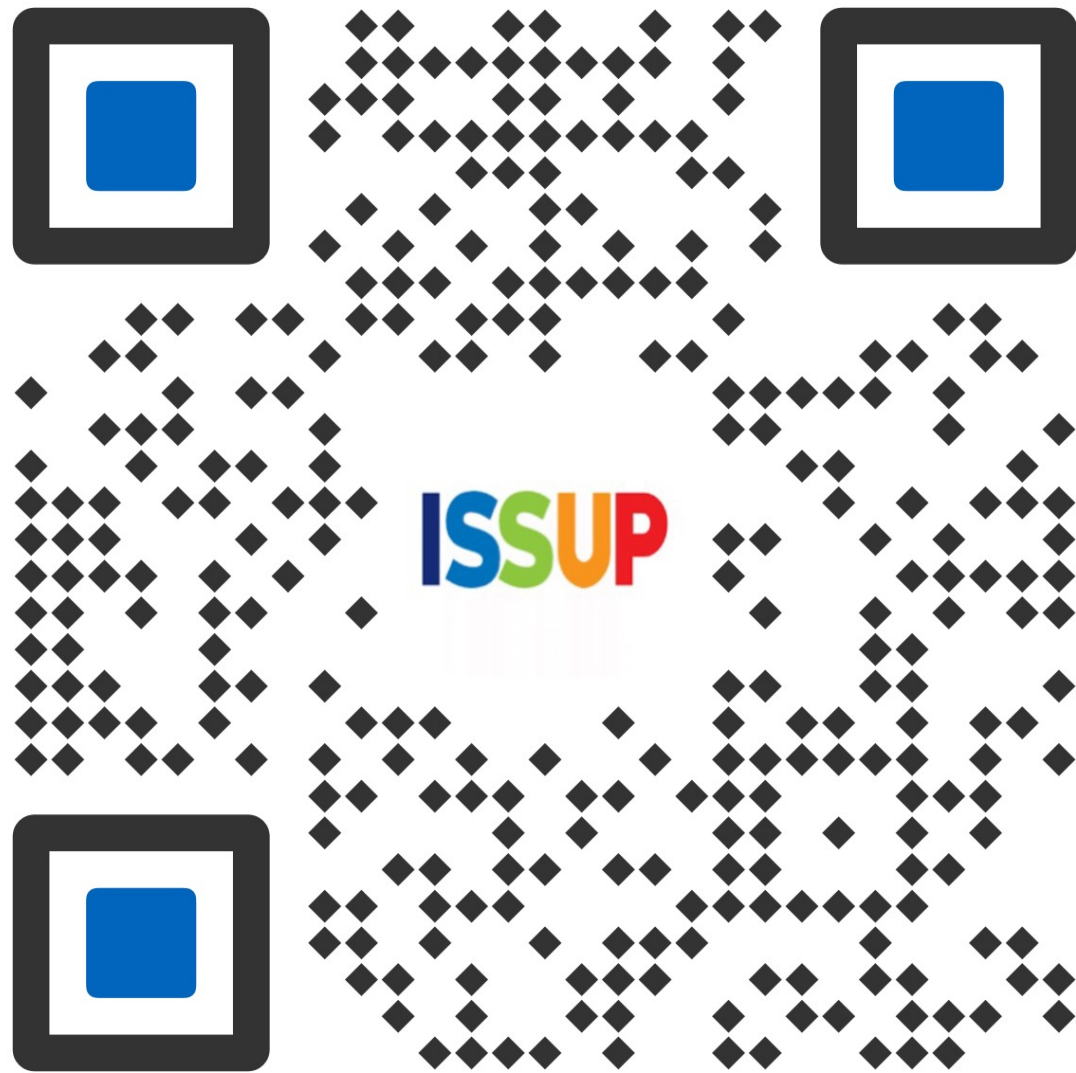
2024 Thessaloniki

2025 Indonesia



Plus a thousand other ways!





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