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DRAFT SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, 16th November 2021

INAUGURAL SESSION

10:00 **Opening Remarks:**

- **Wilson Ruiz Orejuela, Minister of Justice and Law, Ministry of Justice and Law, Colombia, CICAD Chair**
- **Adam Namm, Executive Secretary, CICAD/OAS**
- **Arthur Weintraub, Secretary, Secretariat for Multidimensional Security/OAS**
- **Randall Otarola Madrigal, Vice-Minister, Presidency of the Republic, President of the Directive Council, Costa Rican Drug Institute (ICD, by its Spanish language acronym), Costa Rica, CICAD Vice Chair**

FIRST PLENARY SESSION

10:30 **Adoption of the Draft Agenda (CICAD/doc.2593/21) and Draft Schedule of Activities (CICAD/doc.2594/21.Rev1.Corr.1)**

Election of the Commission's Chair and Vice Chair (Arts. 22 and 23, CICAD Statute)

- **Remarks from newly elected CICAD Chair 2021-2022**
- **Remarks from newly elected CICAD Vice Chair 2021-2022**

11:00 **Presentation of reports and election of 2021-2022 authorities for CICAD Experts Groups:**

- **Paraguay, Chair of the Group of Experts on Demand Reduction 2020-2021**
- **Dominican Republic, Chair of the Group of Experts on Maritime Narcotrafficking 2020-2021**
- **Chile, Chair of the Group of Experts on Chemical Substances and Pharmaceutical Products 2020-2021**
- **Peru, Chair of the Group of Experts on Comprehensive and Sustainable Alternative Development 2020-2021**

11:45

Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM):

Report of the Chair of the Intergovernmental Working Group (IWG) (CICAD/doc.2603/21) and presentation/approval of the questionnaires and evaluator manuals for the eighth round MEM evaluations in 2022 (Measures to Control and Counter the Illicit Cultivation, Production, Trafficking and Distribution of Drugs, and to Address their Causes and Consequences (Annexes I and III)) and in 2023 (Institutional Strengthening; Research, Information, Monitoring and Evaluation; and International Cooperation (Annexes II and IV))

Presenter: Bobby Chauhan, IWG Chair, Manager, International Unit, Health Canada

Objective: Consideration and approval of the IWG report (CICAD/doc.2603/21), questionnaires, and evaluator's manuals for the MEM eighth round evaluations to be carried out in 2022 (Measures to Control and Counter the Illicit Cultivation, Production, Trafficking, and Distribution of Drugs, and to Address their Causes and Consequences Annexes I and III)) and 2023 (Institutional Strengthening; Research, Information, Monitoring, and Evaluation; and International Cooperation (Annexes II and IV)).

12:15

Report of the Coordinator of the Governmental Experts Group (GEG) (CICAD/doc.2604/21) and presentation/approval of the national thematic evaluation reports of the eighth MEM round on Measures of Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Support (CICAD/doc.2600/21)

Presenter: Jenny Fagua, General Coordinator of the Governmental Expert Group (GEG), Advisor to the Directorate of Drug Policy and Related Activities, Ministry of Justice and Law, Colombia

Objective: Consideration and approval of the GEG report (CICAD/doc.2604.21) and the thematic national evaluation reports of the MEM eighth round on Measures of Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Support (CICAD/doc.2600/21).

13:00

LUNCH

SECOND PLENARY SESSION

15:00

Panel 1: Aerial Drug Trafficking Control

Panelists:

- Luis Ignacio Garcia Sigman, Consultant, CICAD Supply Reduction Unit
- Juan Carlos Guerrero, Director, Aerial Surveillance Service, Costa Rica
- Alex Humberto Ladino Tellez, Director, Air and Missile Defense, Colombian Air Force, Colombia
- Javier Sanchez, Project Officer, International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)

Moderator: Colyan M. Benn, Customs Officer attached to the Joint Airport Interdiction Task Force Unit (JAITF), Airport Communication Project (AIRCOP), Barbados

Objective: Identify new trends and challenges of aerial drug trafficking in the Americas, including its impact on the environment, as well as good practices to counter it.

16:30

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Panel 2: Challenges for Evidence-Based Drug Prevention in Pandemic Times

Panelists:

- Novia Carter, Director, National Drug Council, The Bahamas
- Evalinda Barron Velazquez, General Director, National Commission Against Addictions (CONADIC, by its Spanish language acronym), Mexico
- Claudia Leite, Director of Prevention, Care and Social Reintegration, Ministry of Citizenship, Brazil
- Karen Helmer, Head, National Drug Observatory, National Office for the Prevention and Rehabilitation of Drug and Alcohol Use (SENDA, by its Spanish acronym), Chile

Moderator: Eugenia Mata Chavarria, Chief, Prevention Programs Unit, ICD, Costa Rica

Objective: Sharing best practices for the implementation of prevention programs in the region within the context of the pandemic

18:00

End of session

Wednesday 17th November 2021

THIRD PLENARY SESSION

10:00

Panel 3: Preparation of National and Subnational Drug Policies with a Focus on Social and/or Gender Inclusion

Panelists:

- Edward Croft, Director of the Office of National Drug and Money Laundering Control Policy, Antigua and Barbuda
- Gabriela Olivera, Advisor on Gender and Member of the Comprehensive Health Division, National Secretariat on Drugs-National Drug Council, Uruguay
- Hilary Anderson, Principal Specialist on Gender, Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM, by its Spanish language acronym / OAS)

Moderator: Fredy Anzueto, Executive Secretary, Executive Secretariat to the Commission Against the Addiction and Illicit Trafficking of Drugs (SECCATID, by its Spanish language acronym), Guatemala

Objective: Present the experiences, challenges and good practices on how to integrate social inclusion processes and a gender perspective when formulating and developing national drug policies, as well as their coordination with subnational entities (provincial, local).

11:30

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Panel 4: Synthetic Drugs and Non-scheduled Chemical Precursors

Panelists:

- Oscar Angel Talledos, Assistant General Director, National Center for Planning, Analysis, and Information to Combat Crime (CENAPI by its Spanish language acronym), Mexico
- John Farmer, Program Senior Analyst, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), United States
- Michael Van Linn, Drug Science Specialist, Drug and Chemical Evaluation Section, Diversion Control Division, DEA, United States
- Barbara Remberg, Senior Technical Advisor, Precursors Control Section, International Narcotics Control Board (INCB)

Moderator: Heide Fulton, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Western Hemisphere Programs, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State, United States

Objective: Identify good practices and exchange information on the illicit manufacturing and trafficking of synthetic drugs and New Psychoactive Substances, with emphasis on the use of “designer” precursors and other non-scheduled substances.

13:00

LUNCH

FOURTH PLENARY SESSION

15:00

Civil Society Dialogue: Strategic Public-Private Alliances and the Identification of Good Practices in the Integration of Persons with Problematic Drug Use

Panelists:

- Laureen Díaz, Director, Fundación Nuevas Oportunidades, Costa Rica
- Esteban Blanco, Director, Fundación Lloverá Comida, Costa Rica
- Gabriela Arias, Program Director, Fundación Acción Joven, Costa Rica

Moderator: Paula Picado, Coordinator of the Psychology Section, Center for Minors, Institute on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (IAFA, by its Spanish language acronym), Costa Rica

Objective: Highlight the strengths of public-private partnerships in addressing the drug use problem and support persons who are entering the social integration process.

16:30

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16:45

Presentation of the Executive Summary of CICAD Executive Secretariat Report on Drug Supply

Presenter: Marya Hynes, Chief, Inter-American Observatory on Drugs (OID, by its Spanish language acronym), ES-CICAD

Objective: Present a summary of the findings of CICAD's Executive Secretariat Report on Drug Supply in the Americas 2021.

17:15

Treatment Systems with a Focus on Public Health

Introduction: Jimena Kalawski, Head, Demand Reduction Unit, ES-CICAD

Presenters:

- Oswaldo Aguirre Retana, General Director, Institute on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (IAFA, by its Spanish acronym), Costa Rica
- Luis Alfonzo Bello, Advisor for Substance Abuse, Department of Non-Communicable Disease and Mental Health, Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO)

Objective: To emphasize the importance of having treatment programs and systems with a public health approach in the region.

18:00

End of session

Thursday 18th November 2021

FIFTH PLENARY SESSION

10:00

Panel 5: Strengthening Gender Equality in Law Enforcement and the Inter-American Program for Strengthening Gender Equality in Counterdrug Law Enforcement Agencies (GENLEA)

Panelists:

- Vaughn Charlton, Director General, Action, Innovation and Modernization, Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), Canada
- Maria Esther Isoardi, Coordinator, Institutional Liaison and Training, National Directorate of Gender Policies, Ministry of Security, Argentina

- Yorleny Ferreto, Chief, Office on Gender and Access to Justice, Judicial Branch, Costa Rica
- Kerly De Los Angeles Leon Alfaro, Chief, Office of Gender Equality and Equity, Ministry of Public Security, Costa Rica

Moderator: Terrance Fountain, Director, National Anti-Drug Secretariat, Ministry of National Security, The Bahamas

Objective: *To identify persistent challenges, strategies, and good practices to strengthen gender mainstreaming in counterdrug law enforcement agencies of the Americas, with the aim of enhancing their effectiveness to counter drug trafficking.*

11:30

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11:45

Strengthening Production Chains and Commercialization of Alternative Development Products

Introduction: Maria Cecilia Rozas Ponce de León, Director of Drug Control, Office of Multilateral and Global Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Peru

Presenters:

- Hernando Londoño, Director of Substitution of Illicit Crops, Agency of Territory Renovation, Colombia
- Jose Isla Zevallos, Comprehensive and Sustainable Alternative Development Specialist, Technical Directorate, National Commission for Development and Life without Drugs (DEVIDA, by its Spanish language acronym), Peru
- Dispanadda Diskul, Chief Executive Officer, Mae Fah Luang Foundation under Royal Patronage, Thailand

Objective: *Presentation of good practices and strategies that, within the framework of comprehensive and sustainable alternative development, support the commercialization of alternative products as well as their production chains.*

13:00

LUNCH

SIXTH PLENARY SESSION

15:00

Panel 6: Wastewater Studies as a Tool for Estimating Drug Consumption

Panelists:

- Viviane Yargeau, Professor and Chair, Department on Chemical Engineering, McGill University, Canada
- Leticia Keuroglan, Technical Advisor, National Drug Board, Uruguay
- Copytzy Cruz, Professor/Researcher, Autonomous Metropolitan University of Mexico

- Andre Noor, Head of Sector – Trends and Analysis, Public Health Unit, European Monitoring Centre on Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)

Moderator: Ronald Chase, Chairman, Projects and Finance Sub-Committee, National Council on Substance Abuse, Barbados

Objective: *Present methodologies to carry out wastewater studies to estimate drug consumption in different populations. Wastewater studies are a complementary method to population studies. Due to their low cost and rapid results, wastewater studies are a valuable tool for early warning systems and for long term drug monitoring.*

16:30

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Panel 7: Alternatives to Incarceration for Drug Related Offenses: Treatment Under Judicial Supervision, Therapeutic Justice, Gender in the Criminal Justice System

Introduction: Heide Fulton, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Western Hemisphere Programs, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State, United States

Panelists:

- Gerardo Ruben Alfaro Vargas, Magistrate, Third Chamber of the Supreme Court of Justice. National Coordinator of the Program for Drug Treatment Under Judicial Supervision, Costa Rica
- Crescencio Jiménez Nuñez, Head, Justice System Support Unit, Secretariat of the Interior, Mexico
- Terrence D. Walton, Chief Operating Officer, National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP), United States

Moderator: Jeffrey Zinsmeister, Institutional Strengthening Unit, ES-CICAD

Objective: *Dialogue to facilitate the exchange of good practices and innovative perspectives within the framework of alternatives to incarceration for drug-related offences, with a particular emphasis on models focusing on therapeutic justice, social integration, and drug treatment under judicial supervision, as well as a broader gender perspective within these alternatives.*

18:00

End of session

Friday 19th November 2021

SEVENTH PLENARY SESSION

10:00 **Panel 8: Good Practices in Social Integration in the Americas for Drug Related Offenders: The Case Care Management Model (CCM)**

Panelists:

- Kenya Scarlett Romero Severino, Presiding Judge of the Seventh Court of Instruction and Interim Coordinator of Courts of Instruction within the National District, Dominican Republic
- Marcela Ponce, Advisor, Drug Treatment Court Section, National Office for the Prevention and Rehabilitation of Drug and Alcohol Use (SENDA, by its Spanish acronym), Chile
- Sintra Maharaj, Chief Probation Officer, Ministry of National Security, Trinidad and Tobago

Moderator: Viviana Boza, Vice Minister of Justice, Costa Rica

Objective: Presentation of innovative models for the socio-occupational integration of people in conflict with the law.

11:30 **BREAK**

11:45 **CICAD Executive Secretariat Work Plan 2022**

Presenter: Ambassador Adam E. Namm, Executive Secretary, CICAD

Objective: Presentation of CICAD's Executive Secretariat 2022 Work Plan for consideration and approval by CICAD.

12:15 **Remarks by OAS Permanent Observers and by international, regional, and civil society organizations accredited to the OAS**

13:00 **LUNCH**

EIGHTH PLENARY SESSION

15:00 **Seventy-first regular session of CICAD**

15:30 **Closing remarks**