Group 3. Drug treatment alternatives to incarceration under judicial supervision for drug dependent offenders. [www.eulacdrugs.org](http://www.eulacdrugs.org) (collaborative actions)

Santiago, Chile
March 26-27, 2009

Treatment alternatives to incarceration for drug-dependent offenders

Santiago de Chile. Chile

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**Introduction**

Judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys and other representatives of Justice, as well as those responsible for the administration of public policies related to drug use problems at the local level, met in Santiago de Chile, Chile, from March 26 to 27, to celebrate the first activity organized in the area of treatment alternatives to incarceration. This activity was organized by the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Secretariat for Multidimensional Security of the Organization of American States (OAS), the Ministry of Interior of Chile, through the Undersecretary of the Interior (CONACE), the Public Prosecutor’s Office of Chile, in collaboration with the two municipalities involved in EU-LAC initiative: Municipalities of Peñalolen and Conchalí. This activity was funded by the European Commission and executed by the EU-LAC Drug Treatment City Partnerships.

**Objectives**

The objective of this meeting was to create a forum for dialogue between the areas of Justice and Health through the experience of Drug Treatment Courts, enabling the creation, enhancement and sharing of experiences among those countries / cities interested in improving this form of treatment under court supervision. The Chilean case demonstrates a successful experience of collaboration between both fields; Justice, through judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys and other actors within the judicial system; and Health, integrating those professionals who work in the area of drug treatment at the local, regional and national levels. While in Chile, details of their experiences, successes and obstacles in the creation and development of drug treatment courts, and the collaboration developed within these areas and the different institutions involved, were explored.

**Results**

- **Visibility and public awareness:** the presence of the Solicitor General, Public Prosecutor’s Office, the Under-Secretary of the Interior, on behalf of the Minister of Interior, the president of CONACE, Chile, and the Delegation of the European Union in Chile, together with CICAD/OAS, provided important venues for the visibility and public awareness of this activity.

- **Commitment:** This activity included the participation of more than 450 people (professionals from the health and justice sectors primarily). The government of Chile, one of the countries in LAC with most experience in drug treatment courts, extended their commitment with EU-LAC by including all parties and institutions involved in this modality of alternative to incarceration for drug dependent offenders under judicial.
supervision.

♦ **Good practice:** judges, prosecutors, probation officers, and professionals from the treatment sector from 15 countries had the opportunity to experience the model implemented in Chile (Chile has 10 drug treatment courts currently in place). Participants, not only explored the theory of this modality, but also witnessed a DTC process.

♦ **City participation in the process of DTC:** Chile showed the way city leadership plays a crucial role in the process of DTCs. The Mayor of the Municipality of Peñalolén presented how the municipality participates in this process by making sure all different supportive services are in place.

♦ **Analyzing future needs:** While in Chile, and as an exercise of need assessment in this sector, a full afternoon was dedicated to exchange and discuss current needs in the area of DTC (in terms of issues to be further discussed, such as: training needs for all actors involved, evaluation systems, the different roles played through DTCs, how best coordinate health and justice in this process, among others). Most of these needs were later on reflected in the agenda and activities carried out in Ghent, Belgium, two months later.

♦ **Disseminating institutional seeds for future cooperation:** this activity was the first EU-LAC experience to explore future collaboration between cities and countries with experience in the area of DTC, and those with no experience but with the need to respond to drug dependent offenders with an alternative to incarceration. Professionals from the justice and health systems from Mexico (Nuevo León), Suriname (Paramaribo), Ghent (Belgium), were among the most interested in this process.

♦ **Concrete agreements:** Chile (through their DTC in different municipalities) agreed on sharing this experience and providing technical assistance to Mexico (Nuevo León)
List of Participants To see the cities representing each country please refer to the EU-LAC participating city list at [www.eulacdrugs.org](http://www.eulacdrugs.org)

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International Seminar on drug treatment alternatives under judicial supervision: international experiences and compared models

March 26-27, 2009. Santiago, Chile

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 25, 2009**

6:00 - 6:30   Early Registration EU-LAC  Caesar Business Hotel
6:30 - 7:30   Reception Cocktail EU-LAC. Caesar Business Hotel

**THURSDAY MARCH 26, 2009**

**Location:** Hotel Crowne Plaza, Santiago, Chile

8:20   Departure from Hotel Caesar Business
8:30 - 9:00   Participant registration (Hotel Crowne Plaza)
9:00 - 9:45   Opening Ceremony

**Opening remarks**

- **MARÍA TERESA CHADWICK,** President of CICAD/OAS and Executive Secretary of CONACE. Ministry of the Interior
- **JORGE ABBOTT CHARME.** Solicitor General. Public Prosecutor’s Office
- **PATRICIO ROSENDE LYNCH,** Under-Secretary of the Interior, on behalf of the Minister of Interior. Government of Chile.

**EU-LAC Drug Treatment City Partnerships. Introductory framework**

- **GERALD HATLER,** First Secretary and Head of Cooperation. Delegation of the European Commission in Chile.
- **ANNA CHISMAN,** Head of Demand Reduction of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission of the Organization of the American States (CICAD/OAS)

09:45 - 10:00   Break
10:00 - 10:45   Treatment alternatives under court supervision in Chile. CONACE – MINPUB Agreement

- **MARIANO MONTENEGRO CORONA,** Head of Treatment, CONACE
10:45 - 11:15

**Drug Treatment Courts and civil society in Chile**

- **MANUEL GUERRA FUENZALIDA**, Director of the Special Unit on Drug Trafficking, Public Prosecutor’s Office
- **CATALINA DROPPELMANN**, Fundación Paz Ciudadana

11:15 - 12:15

**International experiences: development and implementation in Belgium (Ghent)**


- **JORN DANGREAU**, Drug Treatment Court Judge, Ghent, Belgium
- **ANNEMIEKE SERLIPPENS**, Drug Treatment Prosecutor, Ghent, Belgium

12:15 - 13:00

**Adult drug treatment court, and pilot project of “suspended sentencing” for adolescents, a regional experience: North Zone, Metropolitan Region, Chile.**

Introduction: **LORENA REBOLLEDOS**, Defense Attorney and project MINPUB-CONACE project

- **PAZ PÉREZ**, Attorney and Coordinator for the MINPUB _ CONACE project
- **PAOLA ROBINOVICH**, Drug Treatment Court Magnistrate.
- **LISSETTE RODRÍGUEZ**, Defense Attorney
- **FERNANDO SANTELICES**, Prosecutor Center-North Zone

13:00 - 14:45

**Lunch (for EU-LAC members only). Important for EU-LAC: At 12:45 pm, and coinciding with lunch time, a visit to a drug treatment session is scheduled for 20 EU-LAC Spanish speaking representatives. There is another visit scheduled for Friday at 14:45 for English speakers**

14:45 - 16:15

**Panel: Successes and Challenges internationally**

Moderator: **MICHAEL SULLIVAN**, CICAD-EULAC, and **WINsome HENRY**, Drug Treatment Court Judge, Montego Bay, Jamaica

- **ROGELIO FLORES**, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Judge, California, USA
- **DAVID FLETCHER**, Community Justice Centre, North Liverpool.
- **KRISTIAN HOELGE**, Regional Legal Advisor for Latin America and the Caribbean. United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC-Colombia)
- **PAUL BENTLEY**, Judge and Chair of the International Association of Drug Treatment Courts (IADTC)

16:15– 17:15

**Regional and municipal experience with adults in the context of domestic violence. Western Zone, Metropolitan Region, Chile**

Introduction: **MARISOL TORRES**, Psychologist and MINPUB-CONACE coordinator
• EVELYN VALENCIA, Regional Executive Director, West Zone
• CLAUDIO ORREGO, Mayor of Peñalolén, Chile

17:15 - 17:40  Break

17:40 – 18:30  Discussion and plenary

• ANNA CHISMAN, Head of Demand Reduction of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission of the Organization of the American States (CICAD/OAS)
• MARIANO MONTENEGRO CORONA, Head of Treatment, CONACE

International Seminar on Drug Treatment Alternatives Under Judicial Supervision: International Experiences and Compared Models

Workshop
(for EU-LAC members only)

FRIDAY MARCH 27, 2009

Location: Centro Justicia, Santiago. Av. Pedro Montt 1606

8:30  Departure from Hotel Caesar Business

09:00 - 09:20  Introduction

• ANNA CHISMAN, Head of Demand Reduction of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission of the Organization of the American States (CICAD/OAS)

09:30 - 09:50  Study case revision: Drug Treatment Court Monitoring Session (video)

09:50 - 11:00  Analysis of the session by the judicial team

• PAZ PÉREZ, Attorney and Coordinator for the MINPUB- CONACE project. North Zone
• EVELYN VALENCIA, Regional Executive Director. West Zone

11:00 - 11:15  Break

11:15 - 12:15  Thematic discussion: Indicators for the evaluation of outcomes. Each participant country will have the opportunity to briefly present the indicators being used. Moderators:
The thematic discussions and speakers for the event are as follows:

**12:15 - 13:30**

**Thematic discussion: Inter-agency cooperation - Justice-Health.** Moderator: ANTONIO LOMBA, EU-LAC Project Manager (Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission of the Organization of the American States (CICAD/OAS))

**Speakers:**

- MYO KYAW OO, Psychiatrist. Medical Officer Bellevue Hospital. Kingston, Jamaica
- LUZ MARÍA GARCÍA RIVAS, Executive Director for Demand Reduction. National Center of Planning, Analysis and Information for the Fight Against Delinquency (CENAPI), PGR, Mexico
- PILAR IGOA, Advisory, and diagnostics Task Force Coordinator. Inter-institutional agreement between the Justice System, Ministry of Public Health, National Drug Council, and the Institute of Children and Adolescents of Uruguay

**13:30 - 15:30**

**Lunch (for EU-LAC members only).** Important for EU-LAC: At 14:30 pm, a visit to a drug treatment session is scheduled for EU-LAC English speaking representatives.

**15:30 - 16:30**

**Thematic discussion: Social integration during and after treatment: Community intervention.** Moderator: CARMEN SILVIA CÓ FREITAS, Psychiatrist. Director of Treatment at the Brazilian Association on DTC (Associação Nacional de Justiça Terapêutica-ANJT), Brazil

**Speakers:**

- JULIUS LANG, Director, Technical Assistance Center for Court Innovation
- VÍCTOR FRAGA GAYOSO, Director of the Prison of Monterroso. Lugo, Spain

**16:30 - 17:30**

**Thematic discussion: Status of the issue in participating countries and contributions within the framework of the project.** One representative per participant country will have the opportunity to briefly (5 minutes) comment on the following questions. Moderators:

- JORN DANGREAU, Drug Treatment Court Judge, Ghent, Belgium
- ANTONIO LOMBA, EU-LAC Project Manager (Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission of the Organization of the American States (CICAD/OAS))
1. Does the legislation of your country allow including the implementation of the drug treatment court experience?
2. What are the challenges your country/municipality regarding drug abuse and its relationship with crime?
3. How do you think the EU-LAC experience could benefit your county or municipality?
4. What are the issues you would suggest for the next exchange event to be held in Ghent, Belgium, June 2009, and why?

17:30 – 17:45  Break

17:45 – 18:15  Plenary and discussion
Next steps in the EU-LAC project. Publications and best practices. Next event in Ghent (Belgium), June 25-26, 2009

- **ANNA CHISMAN**, Head of Demand Reduction of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission of the Organization of the American States (CICAD/OAS)
- **MARIANO MONTENEGRO CORONA**, Head of Treatment, CONACE, Chile
- **ANTONIO LOMBA**, EU-LAC Project Manager (Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission of the Organization of the American States (CICAD/OAS)

18:15 – 18:30  Closing remarks

**SATURDAY MARCH 28, 2009**

10:30  Departure from the Caesar Business Hotel

10:30 – 11:30  Visit to the Casa de la Moneda, Presidency of the Republic of Chile. Organized by CONACE Chile

This event is being organized by the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), Secretariat for Multidimensional Security of the Organization of American States (OAS), the Public Prosecutor’s Office of Chile, the Ministry of Interior through the Under Secretariat for Interior (CONACE), CICAD’s EU-LAC initiative is funded by the European Commission. The content of this project does not necessarily reflect the position of the EU or the OAS.

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Santiago de Chile, Chile. March 26-27, 2009.

Dear participants of Group 3 of CICAD’s EU-LAC Project (Treatment alternatives to incarceration for drug-dependent offenders), extended to Group 2 (Improving drug treatment services in EU and LAC cities). EU-LAC Drug Treatment City Partnerships is an initiative funded by the European Commission.

This event is the first activity organized in the area of treatment alternatives to incarceration. Santiago de Chile, Chile, will host this two-day event on March 26 and 27, 2009. It is being organized by the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD, Secretary of Multidimensional Security, Organization of American States - OAS), the Public Prosecutor’s Office of Chile, the Ministry of Interior through the Under Secretariat for Interior (CONACE), and with the collaboration of the two Chilean municipalities involved in the EU-LAC Project, Peñalolén and Conchalí.

Attached you will find a preliminary information bulletin. We would appreciate it if you could confirm your participation by sending us the completed participation form by email or fax before Monday, February 16, 2009.

Thank once again for your participation in this multilateral initiative.

Yours sincerely,

James F. Mack
Executive Secretary