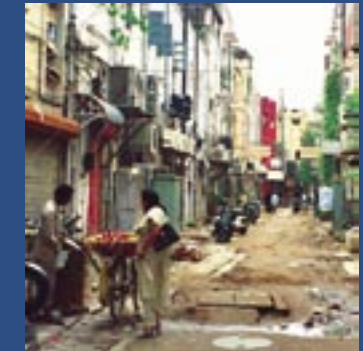


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## Training An Integrated Approach to Reducing Drug-Related Harm

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## Integrated Local Drug Policy

DDC supports the Integrated Local Drug Policy approach which brings all stakeholders in a community together at one table for assessment, planning and implementation of a common response.

Responding to problematic drug use in a community is a knowledge-based job that needs different expertise, skills, resources, and methods. Due to its diverse functions and responsibilities, a local government is one of the few entities that comprise a relatively wide range of specialists and concerned groups in a relatively small area.

Experience has shown that the Integrated Local Drug Policy approach is an excellent tool for the development of a coherent yet flexible drug policy. Multi-stakeholder cooperations enable communities to define the roles of the various concerned groups and to respond more efficiently and quickly to everyday drug-related problems.

DDC promotes this approach to planning and implementing drug policy at local and community level. It draws on experiences from European cities and GTZ projects, combining them with methods and tools for capacity building in Development Cooperation that may be used for assessment, monitoring and facilitation of multi-stakeholder round tables. Integrated Local Drug Policy is a process to find local solutions to global drug problems.

## Purpose of the Training

DDC has developed a training programme to sensitise and support governmental and non-governmental organisations and institutions in establishing and implementing an integrated approach to reducing drug-related harm.

The target group for this training can be very heterogeneous, given that it promotes a multi-sectoral and multi-agency approach. The target group most likely to benefit from this training includes representatives from:

- city administration,
- drug services/drug treatment centres,
- youth services,
- social services,
- law enforcement,
- neighbourhood communities,
- drug users networks and
- PLWHA Networks

The training adds a new approach to planning and implementing drug policy at local and community level and will hence contribute to reducing the drug misuse problem and drug-related harm in cities and communities.

The training seeks to convey as much practical experience and as many tools and tips as possible, and actively encourages participants to contribute their experience with multi-disciplinary cooperation. The modules can be individually tailored to the needs and interests of the participants of each workshop. While the general structure of the training follows the logic of assessing, planning and implementing an integrated drug policy, the contents and training techniques of each module

may vary according to the participants' interests. There are PowerPoint presentations for every module that may alternatively be used as guidelines for lectures or discussions. Also, the tools and methods presented in this training are not exhaustive.

We have chosen those tools and methods which we found to be straightforward, practical and easy to handle also by non-experts. Discussing critical points is an important exercise in the training, so we have listed a couple of points which all derive from practical experience with multi-stakeholder networks. You may want to use them to prompt a group discussion, but there will certainly be plenty of others.

## The training contains

- The workshop outline, including the objectives, techniques, tools and contents of each module
- The presentations given at the training sessions
- Brief characteristics of the tools and planning methods presented in the training
- Descriptions of the group exercises and icebreakers
- A set of "critical points" for discussion during the training modules
- A list of resource and further readings material

### Training Outline

- Getting acquainted: Welcome
- Getting the idea: What is an integrated drug policy approach and why is it useful?
- Getting started: How to identify and involve stakeholders
- Setting the rules: How to make the network work
- Planning: How to plan for and with the community
- Implementation: Putting plans into action
- Check-up: Monitoring and Evaluation
- Wrap-up: Closure and feedback