

The future of European drug policy

Seminar organised by the EU Civil Society Forum on Drugs (CSFD) and co-hosted by MEP Marisa Matias, Group of the European United Left-Nordic Green Left, Portugal

8:30 – 9:00	Arrival of participants and registration
9:00 – 9:30	<p>OPENING SESSION</p> <p>Moderation and opening remarks: MEP Marisa Matias, Group of the European United Left-Nordic Green Left (Portugal)</p> <p>Opening remarks: Floriana Sipala, European Commission & Laurène Collard, Federation Addiction (France) and Chair of the CSFD</p>
9:30 – 10:00	<p>SESSION 1: Challenges in drug policy in Europe: The role of the Parliament</p> <p>Moderation: Laurène Collard, Federation Addiction (France) and Chair of the CSFD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Danilo Ballotta, European Monitoring Centre on Drugs and Drug Addiction <i>Latest trends and challenges in European drug policy</i> • Questions and discussion
10:00 – 11:00	<p>SESSION 2: Europe and global drug policy: Key opportunities for the European Parliament</p> <p>Moderation and introductory remarks: MEP Alexandra Louise Rosenfield Phillips, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance (United Kingdom)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter Sarosi, Rights Reporter Foundation (Hungary) <i>Looking back at the past 10 years of global drug policy and the role of the EU</i> • Lucia Goberna, Dianova International (Spain) <i>The latest international agreements on drug policy</i> • Elina Kotovirta, EU Presidency (Finland) <i>EU priorities in international drug policies</i> • Adrià Cots Fernandez, Harm Reduction International (United Kingdom) <i>Implications of international drug policy for the European Parliament</i> • Questions and discussion
11:00 – 11:30	<p>SESSION 3: Civil society cooperation with the EU: Strengths, ongoing challenges and options for the future</p> <p>Moderation and introductory remarks: Amish Laxmidas, UNITE Global Parliamentarians Network to End Infectious Diseases (Portugal)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celine Ruiz, European Commission <i>The EC's experience in collaborating with the CSFD</i> • Monica Barzanti, San Patrignano (Italy) <i>Examples of collaboration between CSFD and EU at global level</i> • Questions and discussion
11:30 – 12:00	<p>SESSION 4: Conclusions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marie Nougier, International Drug Policy Consortium (United Kingdom) <i>The future of European drug policy: A call for action for MEPs</i> • Jasna Karačić, Permanent Representative of Croatia to the European Union <i>Closing remarks</i>