

Job description:	IDPC Consultant for Asian Regional Mapping Project
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Reports to: IDPC Senior Policy Officer, Bangkok, Thailand.

Purpose:

To conduct a regional mapping exercise that covers 8 countries in Asia (Cambodia, Laos PDR, Vietnam, Myanmar, Malaysia, Indonesia, India, China, Thailand, Philippines) which:

- a. identifies the organisations engaged in harm reduction and drug policy advocacy, and their policy advocacy activities
- b. identifies the gaps and challenges in harm reduction and drug policy advocacy that remain to be addressed, and
- c. develops recommendations for prioritising the implementation of new activities in harm reduction and drug policy advocacy.

Tasks:

- To prepare a preliminary report comprising two parts:
 1. identifies the individuals and entities engaged in harm reduction and drug policy advocacy, and describes the scope of their activities in terms of the timeframes, budget and other relevant resources (including number of staff), and policy issues covered (eg. decriminalisation, compulsory centres for drug users, implementation of harm reduction services)
 2. identify potential 'champions' and targets of harm reduction and drug policy advocacy amongst government agencies, and
 3. analyses the gaps or challenges in harm reduction and drug policy advocacy that could be addressed with further policy advocacy action and/or resources.
- To act as facilitator and assist with the organisation of a regional meeting of representatives from key regional organisations/groups consulted in the preparation of the preliminary report to discuss two primary issues:
 1. the content of the preliminary report and its analytical findings, and
 2. the prioritisation of gaps and challenges that need to be addressed with new harm reduction and drug policy advocacy activities.
- To prepare a final report identifying the organisations engaged in harm reduction and drug policy advocacy in the Asian region and their activities, and the gaps and challenges that remain to be addressed, with recommendations for prioritising the implementation of new activities in harm reduction and drug policy advocacy.

Timeframes:

The preliminary report should be completed by the end of June, the regional meeting held in July, and the final report completed in August 2013.

Person specifications:

- Awareness of issues in Asian regional drug policy debates
- Experience in Asian regional harm reduction and drug policy advocacy activities
- Strong ability to analyse regional drug policy issues and activities
- Excellent spoken and written English
- Excellent interpersonal and communications skills, especially in report-writing and meeting facilitation
- Good organisational skills
- Preferably based in Bangkok, Thailand, or the Asian region

Please send a CV and cover letter to Gloria Lai (glai@idpc.net) before Friday 19 April 2013, by 5:00 pm (Bangkok time).