







Towards the abolition of the death penalty for drug offences

This side event at the 59th Session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs will address the issue of the death penalty for drug offences. The death penalty for drug offences has gained significant attention within drug policy and human rights discourse in recent years. This event will explore recent trends in the application and abolition of the death penalty for drug offences, review examples of successful advocacy for the abolition of the death penalty and look towards UNGASS and beyond towards the abolition of the death penalty for drug offences.

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13.10 – 14.00 Tuesday 15th March, Conference Room M7 Lunch provided