

Call for Proposals
Drug Policy Networking Zone
XVIII International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2010)
Vienna, Austria

IDPC and Transform have been successful in our application for a Drug Policy Networking Zone at the upcoming International AIDS Conference. There has been agreement that the Drug Policy Networking Zone will be co-located together with the Human Rights and Harm Reduction Networking Zones. This will allow all three groups to benefit from the use of a much larger space in which to hold events and activities throughout the conference. The plan is to divide the space into:

- A seated area (approx 60-100 chairs) with a stage for talks, panel discussions, film shows, etc
- An area with tables for literature dissemination (divided into distinct drug policy, harm reduction and human rights sections)
- An area with sofas and desks for networking, relaxing and informal meetings

The networking zones are located in the Global Village and we hope to use the drug policy space to give prominence to the intersecting issues of drug policy and HIV/AIDS. An open and participatory approach is key to the ethos of the conference. We are circulating this call amongst IDPC members and other drug policy groups. If you are attending the conference we encourage you to propose activities for the zone relating to your areas of expertise that will be of interest to the AIDS 2010 conference delegates. This is a great opportunity to raise the profile of key issues and debates in drug policy (in particular those beyond the more traditional remit of harm reduction) with a broad and influential international audience.

Given the nature of the conference it is important to keep proposals relevant to HIV/AIDS, but the aim of having a distinct drug policy section is to allow a more focused exploration of the wider impact policy and legal environments on drug use and HIV/AIDS. We will aim to look at issues around policy and law reform (current trends towards decriminalisation, and future developments for regulation), and the various impacts of policy environments on service provision. We welcome any other suggestions and ideas.

Submissions will be reviewed in early May together with those received for the human rights and harm reduction activities being coordinated by the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network and IHRA respectively – with whom we will be working closely. Where there is obvious cross-over we may suggest merging certain proposals – but this will all be discussed when we have a clearer idea of what is on the table. We will notify applicants of the status of their applications no later than May 31, 2010.

The literature dissemination area of the networking zone will also be open for drug policy organisations to take advantage of. If you would like to take advantage of this then please email jane@tdpf.org.uk.

We would very much value volunteer support for the zone activities throughout the week to help it run smoothly and maximise our impact. If you are able to help as a volunteer, please let us know even if you are not contributing a proposal for the zone's program of activities.

Please note:

- The zone will open on Sunday, July 18 and close on Thursday, July 22.
- The deadline for submitting this application form is Friday, April 30, 2010 (the earlier the better).
- The events will be English language and translation will not be available. We will consider proposals for sessions to take place in Russian.
- The zones can only provide the facilities for hosting events, and are not in a position to provide funding for delegates.

Please complete the form and send it by e-mail to jane@tdpf.org.uk by 30th April 2010. Where indicated, simply type in the text fields highlighted below or check the relevant boxes with [X].

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Dr. <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs.		
First name:	«AddressBlock»	
Last name:	«AddressBlock»	
Title:	«AddressBlock»	
Telephone numbers	Office:	+«AddressBlock» «AddressBlock» «AddressBlock»
	Mobile:	+«AddressBlock» «AddressBlock» «AddressBlock»
	Other:	+«AddressBlock» «AddressBlock» «AddressBlock»
E-mail address:	«AddressBlock»	

2. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Name:	«AddressBlock»
Mailing address:	«AddressBlock»
City:	«AddressBlock»

Province / State:	«AddressBlock»
Country:	«AddressBlock»
Postal code:	«AddressBlock»
Website address:	«AddressBlock»

3. AIDS 2010 INFORMATION

I am registered for AIDS 2010 as a:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Regular Delegate
<input type="checkbox"/>	Student / Post-doc / Youth Delegate
<input type="checkbox"/>	Media Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exhibitor
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have not registered for AIDS 2010

4. PROPOSAL INFORMATION

a. I am proposing an activity in the following language:

<input type="checkbox"/>	English
<input type="checkbox"/>	Russian

b. My proposed activity has also been submitted as a regular abstract to AIDS 2010:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

c. My proposed activity falls within the following categories (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/>	Video screening
<input type="checkbox"/>	Panel discussion

<input type="checkbox"/>	Meet the expert
<input type="checkbox"/>	Media event
<input type="checkbox"/>	Skills-building workshop
<input type="checkbox"/>	Advocacy action
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: «AddressBlock»

d. My proposed activity will be aimed primarily at:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Registered conference delegates
<input type="checkbox"/>	Media
<input type="checkbox"/>	General public
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: «AddressBlock»

e. My proposed activity will require the following audio/visual resources (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/>	Microphone
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fixed seating
<input type="checkbox"/>	Projection screen
<input type="checkbox"/>	Projector
<input type="checkbox"/>	Podium
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: «AddressBlock»

f. I wish to distribute the following material as part of my proposed activity (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/>	Printed material (e.g., publications, brochures, postcards)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Multimedia material (e.g., DVDs, CDs)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clothing (e.g., T-shirts)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: «AddressBlock»

g. My organization will be able to provide the following number of people to volunteer in the networking zone during the proposed activity:

[]	Insert number
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