

TERMS OF REFERENCE

CONSULTANT TO ASSESS EU POLICIES AND MECHANISMS

GOAL

Eurasian Harm Reduction Network (EHRN) and International Drug Policy Consortium (IDPC) are international networks of NGOs and professionals supporting human rights and health based drug policies. One of the key goals of both organizations is to advocate for efficient, evidence-based and cost-effective drug policies that reduce drug-related harms and are in alliance with human rights principles.

The task for this consultant is to develop a “roadmap” of EU institutions and mechanisms that can be used by EHRN, IDPC and others in their advocacy efforts for drug policy reform.

TASKS

1. Map key stakeholders across the EU structures that are potential allies in supporting drug policy reform and human rights.
2. Map the relevant EU mechanisms that can be used for drug policy advocacy – such as mechanisms for adopting resolutions, for promoting human rights, for overview and review of EU Drug Strategies and Action Plans.
3. Document any changes in EU drug policy making mandates and processes since the adoption of the Lisbon Treaty.
4. Map the relevant EU funding opportunities and streams that may be relevant to drug policy and human rights – including funding streams for ascension and countries and EU negotiations with neighbouring countries.
5. Document key EU decisions and documents on drug policy and the human rights of people who use drugs.
6. Map upcoming advocacy opportunities – between now and the UNGASS on Drugs in 2016.

OUTPUT

One report in English (maximum of 20 pages).

TIMELINE

The task should be carried out in March 2013.



QUALIFICATIONS

The successful applicant will have an extensive knowledge of the EU structures and mechanisms, a good working knowledge of English. A good understanding of harm reduction and drug policy issues will be a considerable advantage.

PAYMENT

The total budget available for this work is USD 3500. Applications must include details of daily rates and the proposed number of days spent on this work.

APPLICATION

Please send your CV and a cover letter to jbridge@idpc.net before **Friday 8th March 2013**.

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ABOUT US

The Eurasian Harm Reduction Network (EHRN) is a regional network of harm reduction programs, groups of people who use drugs and their allies from across 28 countries of Central and Eastern Europe and Central Asia (CEECA), who work to advocate for the universal human rights of people who use drugs, and to protect their lives and health. EHRN's mission is to promote humane, evidence-based harm reduction approaches to drug use, with the aim of improving health and protecting human rights at the individual, community, and societal level. For more information, please visit www.harm-reduction.org

The International Drug Policy Consortium (IDPC) is a global network of 98 civil society organisations that specialise in issues related to the production and use of controlled drugs. The Consortium aims to promote objective and open debate on the effectiveness, direction and content of drug policies at the national and international level, and supports evidence-based policies that are effective in reducing drug-related harm. For more information, please visit <http://idpc.net/>