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QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

The UNGASS on Drugs in 2016:

How African civil society can engage in the global drug policy reform movement

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In 2016, the UN General Assembly will hold a Special Session (UNGASS) on the issue of illicit drugs. People who inject drugs are a key population for HIV, with around 10% of global HIV infections linked to risky injecting practices. Much like the 2001 UNGASS on HIV/AIDS and the 2011 High-Level Meeting on AIDS, the UNGASS on drugs is crucial for the adoption of more effective and more humane policies.

Drug policy is an important issue for those working on the HIV response – we cannot hope to end AIDS until we end the global war on drug users. In order to do this, the voice of civil society around the world must be strong and united.

Please join Joanne Csete (Open Society Foundations Global Drug Policy program) and Jamie Bridge (International Drug Policy Consortium) for this interactive Q&A session at ICASA.