

IDPC Strategic plan 2021-2023: matrix

Five pillars of our work

Five priority areas

	Networking & Communication	Capacity strengthening	Building evidence	International advocacy	Regional & national advocacy
Decriminalisation & criminal justice reforms	Sharing news, lessons learnt and examples of developments and reforms; working to improve media understanding of the issues; and bringing members and movements together to discuss collaborations.	Workshops, webinars and other tools to build knowledge and advocacy skills for decriminalisation in all settings – including a focus on the technical aspects of reforms in practice.	Maintaining and updating the global decriminalisation map, while also documenting and exploring the various models and practices emerging around the world, and the growing evidence of their impacts.	Strengthening collective advocacy for decriminalisation in all UN settings, pushing for visible political support as well as calling for implementation of the UN System Common Position.	Direct support – such as technical advice, trainings, resources, media engagement and connections to policy makers – to respond to the needs of network members in their ongoing advocacy work.
Drug policy impacts on women	Increased engagement and coordination with a range of women’s organisations and the feminist movement to build solidarity and strategise for advocacy on shared agendas.	Empowering women-led organisations and community leaders through grant-making, technical support, trainings, workshops, and the creation of platforms for voices to be heard.	Documenting the stories of women affected by drug policies, and demonstrating the disproportionate impact of punitive responses and human rights violations on women.	Increased work with women-led and women-focused civil society partners to ensure better UN engagement on the issue, including of UN Women and relevant mechanisms.	Providing support, guidance, resources and linkages for members working to implement women-friendly, rights-based responses and harm reduction services on the ground. Fostering dialogue on women and drug policy, especially in Asia and Latin America.
Support. Don’t Punish	Further enhancing the online presence and impact of the campaign and its messages, including through the recruitment of high-level campaign ambassadors for drug policy reform and harm reduction.	International, regional and national workshops and engagements to strengthen campaigning, planning, evaluation and advocacy; direct financial and logistical support to partners around the world to support campaigning.	Using the global campaign to demonstrate and document the growing global momentum behind drug policy reform and harm reduction.	Bringing the campaign’s voice and asks to the primary target audience – government officials.	Direct support for campaign engagement in more than 100 countries around the world – through small grants, technical advice, materials and guidance – both on the Global Day of Action, but also as part of broader advocacy efforts.
Cross-UN involvement & the common position	Promoting awareness of the UN System Common Position, and sharing key developments from across the UN in relation to HIV, health, human rights, justice and the SDGs, to support our members’ work.	Webinars and other resources focused on how civil society can better use the UN System and its Common Position to support advocacy for policy reform, harm reduction, and achievement of the SDGs and global HIV targets.	Closely working with the UN Task team to monitor the impact and implementation of the Common Position (as well as other resources and mechanisms), and to promote new research and analysis.	Ensuring visibility of the Common Position and Task Team across multilateral fora in Vienna, Geneva and New York; ensuring that drug policy remains a focus despite competing priorities such as COVID-19.	Promoting the UN System Common Position as a tool for national and regional advocacy, and providing mechanisms to highlight where the Common Position is being disregarded by UN officials at the local level.
Protecting civil society space & building alliances	Reaching out to new allies, building solidarity and further broadening the diversity and scope of the IDPC network – including LGBTQI+, feminist, racial justice and indigenous groups, among others; closely monitoring the impact of COVID-19.	Guidance, webinars and other online/virtual tools to demystify policy-making processes and engagement mechanisms; sharing examples of how civil society can influence policies and reforms; onward granting or other support to enable such influence.	Building alliances with specialist organisations to produce policy analyses and recommendations, as well as academic partners to develop a Global Drug Policy Index to enhance global advocacy and data.	Continued engagement in efforts to protect and expand civil society space at UN drugs, human rights, HIV, health, development and security fora – including through the NGO Committees – and promoting the engagement of a broader range of partners.	Supporting members to seek and build effective cross-sector alliances at the local level that can hold governments accountable; and promoting civil society space at regional fora such as the EU, AU, OAS and ASEAN.