

Elements for setting up a Regional Drug Observatory

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What can EU ACT 2 bring?

- EU Global Programme addressing organized crime and drug trafficking along the Southern Route
- Demand Driven Facility adapting to specific needs and providing tailored made support
- Implemented by a Consortium of EU Member
- Lessons learned from FIIAPP experiences in:















Possible Lines of action

- Technical support for developing fundamental aspects of the Regional **Observatory**
- Strategic support for strengthening national systems and regional networks for scientific research on drugs.
- Improvement of the analysis and incidence capacity of the National **Observatories on Drugs.**
- Incorporation of the differential and rights approach in the information and investigation systems of the NDOs
- Development and strengthening of drug policy monitoring and evaluation systems.
- Development and strengthening of national Early Warning Systems.











Lessons Learned and partners

Models

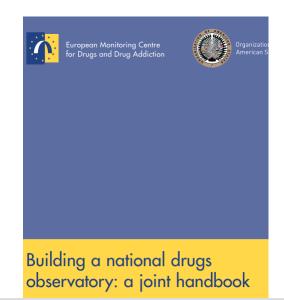


The Inter-American Observatory on Drugs

Early warning systems

A successful observatory can share relevant information, produce quality resarch and develop solid early warning Systems "

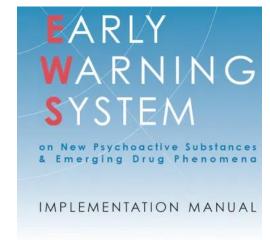
Manuals



Central Asia Drug Action Programme,

Technical Assistance Services for the improvement of data collection and analysis systems and the implementation of a Dru Early Warning System in Central Asian Countries

EARLY WARNING SYSTEMS ON NEW PSYCHOACTIVE SUBSTANCES IMPLEMENTATION MANUAL









Early-warning system on new psychoactive substances

EMCDDA operating guidelines for the **European Union Early Warning System on new** psychoactive substances











When can EU ACT 2 do and not do

EU ACT2 cannot do:

- Share best practices from EU MS
- Facilitate Regional and Transregional Cooperation with other Observatories and Networks
- Provide Technical assistance in niche areas (supply)

EU ACT2 cannot do:

X Provide financial resources

X Provide equipment

X Provide Staff











Possible Next Activities

- Virtual meeting with focal points within the national observatories in WIO
- Expert meeting with European, Asian and Latin American practitioners involved in setting up National/Regional Observatories
- Drafting roadmap and sharing manuals
- Technical assistance on specific areas such as indicators (supply) EWS or other niches













