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The Secretariat of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Republic of Kazakhstan and Embassies of the CICA Member States in Ankara, Beijing, Moscow and Nur-Sultan; and has the honour to forward the enclosed concept paper and organisational information of event to be conducted by Islamic Republic of Iran in area of ***Combating illicit drugs*** on August 04, 2021, under the CICA Plan of CBMs for 2021.

The Secretariat avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Republic of Kazakhstan and Embassies of the CICA Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.

Nur-Sultan, 17 March 2021



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город Нур-Султан, 17 марта 2021 г.



**МИНИСТЕРСТВО ИНОСТРАННЫХ ДЕЛ  
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**CONFERENCE ON INTERACTION AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING  
MEASURES IN ASIA (CICA)**

**Treatment and Harm Reduction Caused by Drug Addiction  
proposed by the Islamic Republic of Iran**

**Concept Paper**

**1. Background & Significance:**

The issue of treatment and reduction of harms caused by addiction to narcotic drugs is amongst the most important matters addressed by all countries covering various aspects of the problem. The growing diversity of narcotic drugs has urged health systems in many countries to adopt a specialized approach towards treatment of addicts, and at the same time, to take into account various dimensions of the issue of harm reduction. Addiction and drug abuse is one of the major social harms in the countries within the geography of CICA with identical worrying aspects due to its prevalence, its high impact, and its consequences. Behavioral science and social science researchers have made many efforts to explain and analyze this issue. Coping with the issue of addiction to narcotic drugs must take place on both drugs supply (production, distribution and sale) and drugs demand (buying and abuse). On this basis, sharing information and experiences gained from previous or ongoing successful practices is of paramount importance.

## **2. Objective:**

Given the fact that the illicit drug trafficking field is one of the key cooperation areas of CICA, the proposed online meeting will pursue the following main objectives:

- Exchange of ideas, policies and practices among CICA Member States on the issue of cooperation on reducing drug addiction;
- Strengthening cooperation in the area of drug trafficking among CICA Member States;
- Promoting and facilitating regional sustainable and knowledge-based interaction amongst experts in the field of treatment and harm reduction;
- Promoting exchange of views among all relevant stakeholders within the framework of CICA for shared benefits, and promoting pragmatic, durable and long-term cooperation among Member States in the field of treatment and harm reduction caused by drug addiction.

## **3. Organizational matters**

The training course will be hosted by the Islamic Republic of Iran Drug Control Headquarters, in cooperation with the Ministry of foreign affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Due to the spread of COVID-19, the training course will be held online.

#### **4. Suggestions & Expectations:**

It is hoped that the active participation by relevant specialists and experts such as physicians, psychiatrists and psychologists in the training course would contribute to the enhancement of their knowledge concerning the latest scientific and empirical findings on relevant issues.

#### **Information for participants**

##### **1. Main Theme:**

Treatment and Harm Reduction Caused by Drug Addiction

##### **2. Date:**

Wednesday, 4 August 2021 (11 A.M. – 6 P.M.)

##### **3. Location:**

Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran

##### **4. Organization:**

- **Organizer:** Drug Control Headquarters of the Islamic Republic of Iran

##### **5. Participant qualifications:**

- Senior experts including those active as physician, psychiatrist, psychologist and etc. with minimum 5 years of experience in the field of treatment and harm reduction for cases caused by addiction to narcotic drugs.
- Qualified persons should have good command of English language.

**6. Technical requirements for participation in the course:**

The final approval of the nominees from the Member States will be announced duly at least one month before the commencement of the training course.

**7. Registration process:**

All nominees should complete the registration forms online and send it to the organizer via E-mail address that will be announced later.

**8. Number of participants:**

Maximum 3 persons from each Member State.

**9. Language of the course:**

The training course will be conducted in English.