



EUROPEAN CITIES AGAINST DRUGS
18th ECAD Mayors' Conference



EUROPE AGAINST DRUGS – UNITED IN DIVERSITY

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Welcome to the XVIII European Cities Against Drugs Mayors' Conference - "Europe Against Drugs-United In Diversity". Varna is this year's conference host city. The location of the Bulgarian Black Sea capital and its dramatic 26 century history have established it throughout the years as a multi-ethnic city. In this diversity we are part of the united efforts of the European countries against drugs and the serious social and health consequences of their use.

KIRIL YORDANOV, MAYOR OF VARNA

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Wednesday, May 11th

Arrivals - guests will be welcomed at the airport and transportation to the conference hotel will be provided

The Venue: Hotel Iberostar Obzor Beach and Izgrev, Golden Sands

14:00 —17:00

Youth in Europe seminar *Local Plans and Initiatives*

20:00

WELCOME RECEPTION AT THE CONFERENCE HOTEL

Thursday, May 12th

09:00 —10:00

Registration

Moderator: Mr. Jörgen Svidén, ECAD Director

10:00 —10:15

Kiril Yordanov, Mayor of Varna - Welcome address

10:15 —10:30

Jim Corr, Councillor, Chairman, ECAD

10:30 —10:45

Yuri P. Fedotov, Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, UNODC, Director-General UNOV (UN Office in Vienna) *Video message*

10:45 —11:15

Coffee break

11:15 —12:00

Roland Simon, Head of Unit for Interventions, best practices and scientific partners, European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction/EMCDDA

"An overview of European trends and developments"

12:00 —12:30

Hristo Bozov, Deputy Mayor for Social Affairs, Varna *"Municipal Drug Policy"*

12:30 —14:00

Lunch break

Moderator: Mr. Saulius Chaplinskas, MD, PhD, Communicable Diseases and AIDS Centre Director, under Lithuanian Ministry of Health, ECAD Advisory Board member

14:00 —14:45

Alfgeir Kristjansson, PhD, Post-Doctoral Fellow, Teachers College, Columbia University
"Youth in Europe: Not a campaign but a quiet revolution"

14:45 —15:45

Neil McKeganey, Professor, BA, MSc, PhD, Director, Centre of Drug Misuse Research, University of Glasgow

"From harm reduction to abstinence in the UK drug policy"

15:45 —16:15

Coffee break

16:15 —17:00 ca

ECAD Plenary session (N.B. For ECAD members only)

18:00

RECEPTION HOSTED BY THE MAYOR OF VARNA (buses from the hotel)

Friday, May 13th

Moderator: Mr. Hristo Bozov, Deputy Mayor of Varna

09:30 —10:15

Ingeborg Rossow, Professor, PhD., National Institute for Alcohol and Drug Research, Norway
"Drug policy and the public good"

10:15 —11:15

Ingvar Nilsson, Economist and Researcher, Institute for Socio-Ecological Economies, Sweden
"Drug rehabilitation: a public cost or a social investment with a high profitability – the Swedish experience"

11:15 —11:30

Coffee break

11:30 —12:00

Atanas Peev, Inspector, Drugs Department, Chief Directorate Combat with Organized Crime, Ministry of Interior, Bulgaria
"The Balkan route of drug trafficking"

12:00 —12:30

Svetlana Koeva, Director, Varna Drug Prevention Directorate, Bulgaria
"Examples of good practices at municipal level programmes"

12:30 —13:30

Lunch break

Moderator: Mr. Joe Zammit, Mayor of Pembroke

13:30 —14:20

MAYORS' FORUM

Mrs. Ann-Cathrine Hjerdt, Mayor of Linköping, Sweden; Mr. Mario Calleja, Mayor of Marsaskala, Malta; Mr. Andreas Petrou, Mayor of Aglantzia, Cyprus; Mrs. Tri Rismaharini, Mayor of Surabaya (twin city to Varna), Indonesia; Mr. Odd Kristian Reme, Deputy Mayor of Stavanger, Norway

14:20 —14:30

Panel Presentation of the workshops

(Eric Carlin, Fabio Bernabei, Father Mikhail Manev)

14:30 —14:45

Coffee break *(signing for the workshops during the coffee break)*

14:45 —15:45

PARALLEL WORKSHOPS AND DISCUSSIONS

*A Eric Carlin, Birkbeck College, London, International Mentor Foundation and Wired-In, UK
"Building Resilience: Prevention and Recovery"*

B Fabio Bernabei, Journalist, Rome, Italy

"Italian drug policy: who is really in charge?"

C Father Mikhail Manev, Varna, Orthodox Centre for Spiritual Care of drug addicts, Bulgaria

15:45 —16:00

ECAD Award 2011 Ceremony

16:00

Conclusions – Jim Corr, Chairman of ECAD

20:00

OFFICIAL CONFERENCE DINNER AT THE HOTEL

Saturday, May 14th

Social programme

10:00 —16:00

Visit to a place with panorama view over Varna. Visit to the Cathedral. Visit to Evksinograd, former late 19-th century Bulgarian royal summer palace and park, now a presidential and governmental residence open for the public.

During the visit the delegates will have lunch and opportunity to taste high-quality wines produced at the residence.