



ISSUP is an international not-for-profit membership organisation that aims to promote **evidence-based, high quality and ethical policy and practice.**

The ISSUP Mission

“To establish Substance Use Prevention, Treatment and Recovery as a unique and multidisciplinary field through the professionalisation and development of its network of professionals.”

ISSUP provides support to all working in the international community of substance use prevention, treatment and recovery:

ISSUP Aims to:

- Provide knowledge for the implementation of evidence-based, high quality and ethical policy and practice
- Provide opportunities for and access to training, education, and credentials
- Facilitate collaboration of members in digital and physical space
- Represent the national and international communities of substance use prevention, treatment and recovery professionals
- Provides the focal point for all who want to know more about and undertake prevention, treatment and recovery activities

Why is ISSUP Needed

- Substance use disorders are a major global problem. There is still an enormous unmet need for effective substance use prevention, treatment, and recovery support.
- Many prevention and treatment interventions are not based on sound evidence, and recovery support is often not recognised as a crucial part of the process.
- Those working in the field are not recognised as a ‘workforce’.
- The field can be fragmented, in need of collaboration and coherence. ISSUP responds to these needs by providing three unique contributions:

It provides:

- Information, news and research
- Access to training and professional development
- Supports sharing and dialogue between individuals and groups throughout the world
- It operates globally to help ensure that the issue of substance abuse prevention, treatment and recovery is addressed professionally as a major issue of international concern



1. Digital

Through its website - WWW.ISSUP.NET - and social media channels, ISSUP acts as a catalyst and focal point to connect groups within the global substance use community.



2. The ISSUP Event

A major and unique event that takes place in different regions of the world to allow the international drug demand reduction field to come together to receive training from international organisations and other experts, network, attain credentials and share and learn.

Past and Future ISSUP Events:

- Bangkok 2015
- Nairobi 2018
- Campinas 2016
- Vienna 2019
- Cancún 2017
- Abu Dhabi 2021

Join us at the next ISSUP event in Abu Dhabi, UAE in January 2021!

3. ISSUP National Chapters

ISSUP engages members on a national level through National Chapters, facilitating the formation of culturally relevant networks. These networks then build capacity and knowledge within their country to develop the drug demand reduction workforce. Currently there are ISSUP National Chapters in:

- Afghanistan,
- Brazil,
- Chile,
- India,
- Kazakhstan,
- Kenya,
- Mexico,
- Nigeria,
- Pakistan,
- Philippines,
- South Africa,
- UAE

Sign up as an ISSUP member today:

- Receive a regular newsletter
- Full access to the ISSUP website
- Network with colleagues around the world
- Meet experts working in the field
- Receive ISSUP event benefits
- Share and develop your professional standing
- Access professional development and training
- Become part of the national and international prevention, treatment and recovery community

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