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MEDICRIME Convention

Activities carried out in 2015

Criminal Law Division

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Information addressed to the CDPC members

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NEWS



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**GOOD
NEWS**



III

**BAD
NEWS**





Activities developped in 2015

a) RAISE-AWARENESS ACTIVITIES

- 1. Seminar for Legal professionals**
- 2. The 4th Regional Conference**
- 3. Parliamentarian Conference**
- 4. Publication of some articles in legal reviews**
- 5. Networks**

b) CAPACITY-BUILDING ACTIVITIES

a) Current activities:

- a) Human Rigths Institutions + universities**

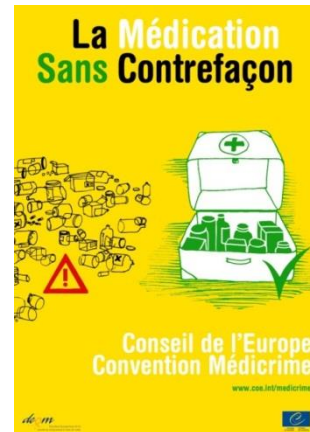
b) Future activities: Curriculum on MEDICRIME



1. Seminar for Legal professionals

Paris, France, 22-23 January 2015

- **Pharmacrime Project:** EU funded project
- **Targeted audience:** Judges & Prosecutors
- **Aims:**
 - ✓ Present and promote the MEDICRIME Convention
 - ✓ Draw attention to the issue of falsification of medicines





2) 4th Regional Conference:

Larnaca, Cyprus, 10-11 November 2015

- **Targeted audience: (17 countries)**

- ✓ Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Slovak Republic and Sweden.
- ✓ Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia and Israel
- ✓ Belarus



3) Parliamentarian Conference

Paris, France, 24 November 2015

- **Targeted audience:**
 - **Parliamentarian authorities**
 - **(Legal professionals) and pharmaceutical professionals**





4) Publication of Articles in reviews:

* France: Défis IINHN



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DES HAUTES ÉTUDES
DE LA SÉCURITÉ ET DE LA JUSTICE

- National Institute of Advanced Studies and the security of justice

– Other reviews



5) Networks:

- European Healthcare Fraud & Corruption Network – (EHFCN)
- INTERPOL
- OCLAESP



INTERPOL





- **Aims:**

- ✓ To encourage member States/3rd countries to sign/ratify
- ✓ To draw the audience's attention on falsification of medical products
- ✓ To exchange experiences and know-how

- **Results**

- ✓ Reinforce of co-operation between actors
- ✓ Promotion of the MEDICRIME Convention
- ✓ Acknowledge the importance of MEDICRIME Convention to tackle organised crime



- **Concrete Results:**

- ✓ Visibility of the MEDICRIME Convention among legal professionals
- ✓ Strengthen further collaboration with judicial and law-enforcement institutions





- **Problem:**

- ✓ Not knowledge of the MEDICRIME Convention among legal professionals + law enforcement



CAPACITY-BUILDING ACTIVITIES

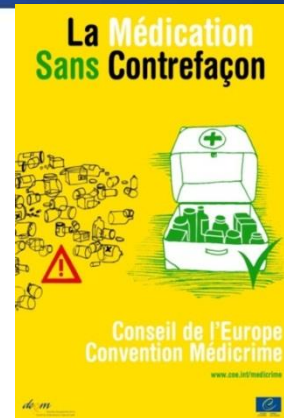
- **Aim:** get acquainted with the Convention
- Activities not financed by the CoE
 - ✓ Within CoE : Universities
 - ✓ Beyond the CoE borders:
 - ✓ *InterAmerican Institute of Human Rights (San José, Costa Rica, May 2015)*
 - ✓ General Prosecutor Office (Costa Rica)





Curriculum on MEDICRIME

- Addressed to Legal professionals (judges, prosecutors)
- Co-operation with **HELP Project**
 - Support CoE MS in implementing ECHR at national level
- 2013 HELP Conference: the MEDICRIME Convention part of
 - Initial training
 - Continuous training





- **Guinea** ratified on 24 September 2015
 - 5th Party to MEDICRIME Convention
(Other countries having ratified: Ukraine, Spain, Hungary, Moldova)
 - **Entry into force:** 1 January 2016





- **IMPACT OF CoE conferences:**

- Signature and ratification of Conventions

June 2014: 3rd Regional Conference (Skopje)

- Croatia: 3 Sept 2015
- Bosnia and Herzegovina 4 Dec 2015



REQUEST



- **Translation of the MEDICRIME Convention into your official languages**
- **Contact Person/department in your country dealing with MEDICRIME**



Thank you for you attention!

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