

HUMAN RIGHTS IN ACTION: IMPLEMENTING THE INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND DRUG POLICY

Wednesday April 14, 2021, from 13:10 to 14:00 CET, online

The **International Guidelines on Human Rights and Drug Policy** were successfully launched during the ministerial segment of the 62nd session of the United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs in 2019.

Since then, remarkable progress has been made in strengthening the implementation of human rights across a range of drug control areas. This side event showcases how the Guidelines have recently been implemented in various parts of the world, and what initiatives are under way, in order to strengthen the reflection of and compliance with human rights in drug policies in the future.

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PROGRAM

Moderator, Zaved Mahmood, *Human Rights and Drug Policy Advisor of the UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights*

Opening remarks, Daniela Ludwig, *Drug Commissioner of the Federal Government of Germany*.

How the UN human rights mechanisms are using the International Guidelines on Human Rights and Drug Policy, Rodrigo Uprimny, *member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights*

Measuring compliance: self-assessment tools for drug policy compliance with human rights, Teresa Caeiro, *Advisor to the National Coordinator on Drugs, Drug Addiction and the Harmful Use of Alcohol, General-Directorate for Intervention on Addictive Behaviours and Dependencies, Portugal*

Comments from the floor

Closing remarks, Alberta Borg, *Deputy Head of Mission, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Malta to the OSCE, the United Nations and other International Organizations in Vienna*

Please note the side event will be recorded.

