



Dear colleague,

Issues related to HIV/AIDS in prisons will be one of the major areas of focus of the 2007 International Conference on Reduction of Drug Related Harm. One plenary session, one major session, and one concurrent session will be devoted to these issues. However, people working on, or with an interest in HIV/AIDS in prisons, have identified the need for a more in-depth training on several of the key challenges related to HIV/AIDS in prison settings, including drug dependence treatment, provision of anti-retroviral treatment, establishment of needle and syringe programs, overdose prevention in prisons and upon release, and prevention of rape and other forms of sexual violence.

To address and discuss these issues, the AIDS Foundation East-West, the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network, the European Network on Drugs and Infections Prevention in Prison (ENDIPP), the International Centre for Advancement of Addiction Treatment (ICAAT) and the International Harm Reduction Development Program (OSI) are organizing a

### **Satellite Training/Educational Session on HIV/AIDS in Prison Settings**

This Satellite will be held on **13<sup>th</sup> May** from 08.00 to 15.30 in the Ruby Room, Gromada Conference Centre<sup>1</sup>, Warsaw, Poland.

This one-day training, which is open to all IHRA Conference participants with an interest in this area, will provide participants with in-depth information on these issues, a chance to discuss ways in which barriers to establishment of best practice can be overcome, and extensive networking opportunities. Extensive printed background materials will be available in English and Russian.

The draft agenda for the Satellite is attached. Simultaneous **Russian interpretation** will be provided, and lunch will be served for all satellite participants in the Gromada restaurant.

### **Registration**

As the room capacity is limited, we would be grateful if you could register your interest to attend this Satellite as early as possible to allow us to reserve a place for you.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that this is also the venue for the IHRA Conference

To register, please send an email as soon as possible, and **no later than 12 April**, to Taslim Madhani at the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network ([tmadhani@aidslaw.ca](mailto:tmadhani@aidslaw.ca))

- letting her know that you will be attending the HIV/AIDS in prisons satellite on May 13<sup>th</sup>
- providing your name, affiliation, full mailing address, e-mail address, and
- indicating any special needs (such as a vegetarian meal) you may have.

Please note that we will be able to provide free lunch, a kit with background materials, and the participants' list **only to people who have registered in advance**.

We look forward to seeing you in Warsaw!

Ralf Jürgens

On behalf of the organisers