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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject:	Informal Videoconference of the members of the Horizontal Working Party on Drugs (am)
Date:	14 September 2021
Time:	9.30
Venue:	COUNCIL VTC Platform

This virtual meeting will be held using the Council's video conferencing platform and will allow all participants to connect remotely. This means that every participant will connect from her/his computer, tablet or smartphone.

Each delegation is invited to inform the Council secretariat (hdg@consilium.europa.eu) at the latest by Thursday 9 September 2021 (cob) of the names of the persons participating. The maximum number of persons per EU Member State's delegation connecting is 1+1 (1 connection for the capital and 1 connection for the Permanent Representation).

An information note on how to access the system and the meeting access codes will be sent separately to participants, upon confirmation of their participation. Delegations will find below the agenda of the meeting.

Format: 1 + 1

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Implementation of the EU Drugs Strategy and Action Plan 2021-2025

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- a) Update by the Presidency
- b) Presentation by the EMCDDA of the European Guide on Health (Strategic priorities 6 and 7 of the Strategy and particularly Actions 34, 43, 44 and 46 of the Action Plan)

3. UNODC/CND

- a) CND Thematic Discussion, 19-21 October 2021
 - Information by the EEAS on the process
 - Exchange of information on the representatives from the EU and its Member States in the respective panels of the Thematic Discussion
 - Preparations for the draft EU statements

WK 10447/2021, WK 10449/2021, WK 10451/2021 (to be issued)
- b) INCB Guidelines on International Drug Control Requirements for the Cultivation, Manufacture and Utilization of Cannabis for Medical and Scientific Purposes

4. Preparations for the EU-US Dialogue on Drugs (VC, 14 September 2021)

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5. Preparations for the EU-Western Balkans Dialogue (6 October 2021)

WK 8466/2021

WK 10459/2021 (to be issued)

- Information by the Presidency on the EU's aim and messages and exchange of views

6. Commission services non-paper on the launch of an EU-Colombia Dialogue on Drugs

- Presentation by the Commission and first exchange of views

WK 10452/2021 (to be issued)

7. Preparations for the National Drugs Coordinators Meeting (VC, 22 September 2021)

8. Preparations for the joint HDG-CSFD meeting (7 October 2021, morning)

WK 10453/2021 (to be issued)

9. A.O.B

- a) Developments in Afghanistan in relation to drugs - exchange of information
- b) Conference on the Future of Europe - information by the Commission
- c) Pompidou Group - recent developments - information by the Portuguese Presidency of the Pompidou Group
- d) Update on the preparation a Commission Recommendation on Alternatives to Coercive Sanctions (Action 49 of the EU Drugs Action Plan 2021-2025)
 - Update by the Commission and by the Member States involved and discussion

NB: Council documents are available on Delegates' Portal.