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Subject:	Meeting of the Horizontal Working Party on Drugs
Date:	25 and 26 March 2026
Time:	10:00, 10:00
Venue:	COUNCIL JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

Format 2+2

25 March 2026, 10:00 – 17:00

1. **Adoption of the agenda**
2. **Information about drug-related issues addressed in other preparatory bodies of the Council and other relevant meetings (*)¹**
 - Information by Presidency

¹ EUDA and Europol are invited to participate in the items marked with an (*).

3. EU Drugs Strategic Framework (*)

- a) Information regarding the approval of the conclusions on the EU Drugs Strategic Framework and endorsement of the EU Drugs Strategy
- b) Development of an Implementation Framework - Structure and process up to the June JHA Council
 - Presentation by the Presidency
ST 7220/26 (to be issued)
- c) Examination of the EU Action Plan against Drug Trafficking proposed by the Commission
 - 1st discussion (1/2) – Focus on priority areas 1 - 3
ST 7221/26 (to be issued)

4. Report from the 69th session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (9-13 March 2026) by the Presidency, the EEAS and the Commission, and exchange of views on the way ahead (*)

5. Bilateral and regional dialogues on drugs and other exchanges with third countries (*)

- a) Report on the EU-Brazil Expert Meeting on Drugs (held in the margins of the CND in Vienna, 10 March 2026)
- b) Preparation for the Technical Committee Meeting of the EU-CELAC Coordination and Cooperation Mechanism on Drugs (Brussels, 26 March 2026)
CM 2019/26, WK 813/2026 REV 1
 - i. Update on the possible strengthening of the Mechanism
ST 5498/26
- c) Preparations for the High-Level Meeting of the EU-CELAC Coordination and Cooperation Mechanism (Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, 30 April 2026)
 - i. Draft agenda and draft annotated agenda of the meeting
 - ii. Draft annual report of the Mechanism
WK 1035/2026
 - iii. Draft outcome document of the High-Level Meeting
WK 1036/2026

- iv. Progress on the implementation of the short-term objectives for 2025-2026 and the new short-term objectives for 2026-2027
WK 3783/2026, WK 3874/2026 (to be issued)
 - v. Update on the COPOLAD Annual Meeting (Punta Cana, 28-29 April 2026)
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- d) Preparation for the EU-U.S. Dialogue on Drugs (Brussels, 23 April 2026)
WK 817/26 REV 1 (to be issued), WK 3815/26 (to be issued)
 - e) Preparation for the EU-Central Asia Dialogue on Drugs (Brussels, 13 May 2026)
WK 3318/26 (to be issued)
 - f) Information by the Commission on the EU-China Dialogue on Drugs and on the EU-China Joint Follow-up Group on Precursors (Brussels, 21-22 September 2026)

26 March 2026, 10:00- 13:00

6. Thematic Discussion: Quality assurance in Drug Demand Reduction and the role of national frameworks (*)

- Presentation by the Presidency
 - Presentation by the EUDA
 - Presentation by the CSFD
 - a) Prevention
 - Presentation by Lithuania
 - Presentation by Croatia
 - Exchange of views
 - b) Treatment
 - Presentation by Greece
 - Presentation by Romania
 - Exchange of views
- ST 7163/26 (to be issued)

7. Information on the National Drug Coordinators' Meeting (Nicosia, 28-29 May 2026) (*)

8. AOB

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