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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Contact:	hdg@consilium.europa.eu
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Subject:	Meeting of the Horizontal Working Party on Drugs
Date:	15 July 2026
Time:	10:00
Venue:	COUNCIL LEX BUILDING Rue de la Loi 145, 1048 BRUSSELS

Format 2+2

15 July 2026, 10:00 – 17:00

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Presentation of the programme of the Irish Presidency (*)[1]

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

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3. Summary of the results of the Cyprus Presidency of the HDG (*)

- Presentation by the outgoing Cyprus Presidency
  ST 11461/26 (to be issued)

4. Information about other drug-related issues addressed in other preparatory bodies of the Council and other relevant meetings (*)

a) Information on the European Council Conclusions of 18 and 19 June 2026 (EUCO 8/26)

b) Information on the EU-CLASI Institutional Meeting (Brussels, hybrid, 10 July 2026)

c) Information on the COPEN meeting (judicial cooperation with third countries, 8 July 2026)

5. Jointly Operationalising the EU Drugs Strategy (*)

a) How we will jointly operationalise the EU Drugs Strategy
   - Information by the Presidency
   - Note on guiding principles
     WK 9789/26 (to be issued)

b) EU Cooperation Hub on Drugs
   - Methodology of the Cooperation Projects
     Information by the Presidency
     ST 9990/1/26 REV 1 (to be issued)
   - State of play of Cooperation Projects
     - Information by the Presidency
     - Information by France and by Germany
     - Information by Ireland

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

a) Preparation of the Technical Committee Meeting of the EU-CELAC Coordination and Cooperation Mechanism on Drugs (Brussels, 8 October 2026)

i. Draft agenda

WK 9582/2026 (to be issued)

ii. Informal Executive Bureau of the EU-CELAC Coordination and Cooperation Mechanism on Drugs

- Information by the Presidency

Guidelines (WK 9787/2026 - to be issued) and composition of the first informal Executive Bureau

b) Preparation of the EU-China Dialogue on Drugs (Brussels, 22 September 2026) **(*)**

i. Draft agenda

WK 7829/2026

ii. Draft annotated agenda

WK 9792/26 (to be issued)

- Presentation by the Commission
- Exchange of views

7. Thematic discussion on non-medical use of Nitrous Oxide (*)

a) Information on the Law Enforcement and Customs discussion held at the LEWP meeting on 23 June 2026

b) Presentation by Belgium and the Netherlands on the responses from delegations to follow-up the questionnaire

ST 9995/1/26 REV 1 (to be issued)

ST 11498/26 (to be issued)

8. Updates from EUDA

a) Presentation on the report on Threat Assessment posed by highly potent synthetic opioids

b) Information on the working arrangement with the UK

c) Information on the Management Board Meeting (18 and 19 June 2026)

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9. UNODC's World Drug Report 2026(*)

- Presentation by UNODC

10. Commission on Narcotic Drugs – state of play (*)

- Information by the Presidency

11. AOB

- Information by Europol on new reports on most threatening networks and Intelligence notification on drop-offs at sea
- Information by the Commission regarding the procedure on the risk assessments and adoption of the delegated directive including two new psychoactive substances in the definition of drug under the Council Framework Decision

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