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Chile



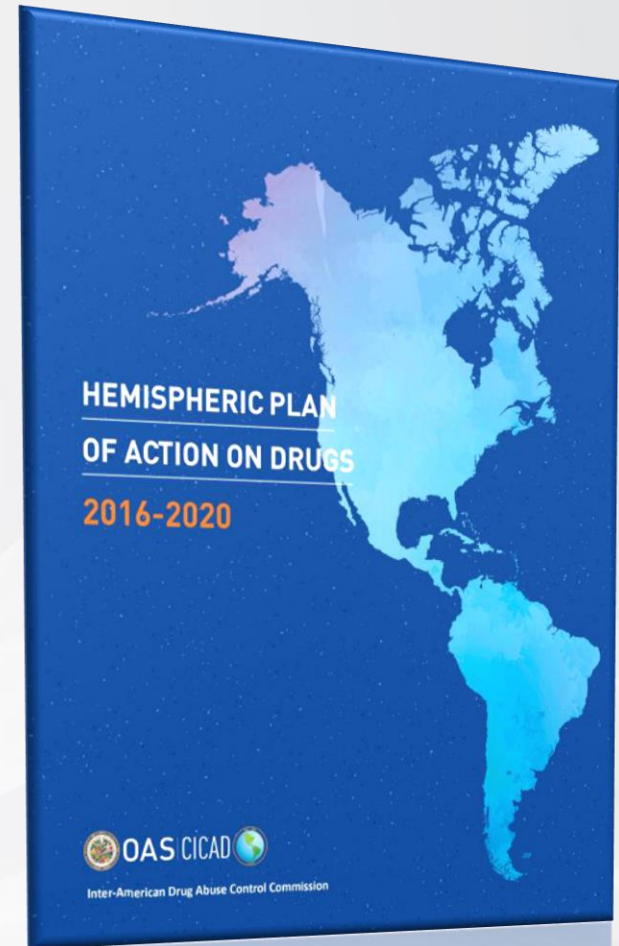
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Inter-governmental Working Group (IWG) / MEM - Objective

- CICAD convened and mandated the Inter-governmental Working Group (IWG) to carry out the preparation of the MEM Seventh Round, which should report the level of progress reached regarding the objectives and actions of the Hemispheric Plan of Action on Drugs, 2016-2020.



Inter-governmental Working Group (IWG) / MEM – Objective (cont'd)

- IWG objectives:
 - To review the MEM process and improve its operational characteristics
 - To revise and update the Evaluation Questionnaire, Procedural Manual, Handbook/Guide for Evaluation, to identify the strengths, challenges, progress, and setbacks of drug strategies and policies of each member state

IWG Thematic Sub-groups

Thematic Sub-groups	Coordinator Country
1. Institutional Strengthening	Chile
2. Demand Reduction	Argentina
3. Supply Reduction	Antigua and Barbuda
4. Control Measures	Costa Rica
5. International Cooperation	St. Kitts and Nevis

First Phase: Interpretive notes

- They are guidelines for those that will carry out the evaluator role, on the aspects to bear in mind while making an informed judgement on the level of progress in fulfillment of each action. Example:

Priority Action 3.6: Design and implementation of cooperation mechanisms among the stakeholders to provide social and community support services contributing to the social reintegration of people, particularly the most vulnerable populations, in an ongoing and sustainable fashion.

Interpretive Note:

The country has a formal coordinated network of stakeholders, including governmental/non-governmental organizations and other groups, which provide social and community support services, with a gender perspective, for the reintegration of vulnerable populations.

Difficulties during the process

- Lack of necessary technical equipment and services for the use of the virtual platform (e.g.: microphone, adequate Internet connection).
- Full and active participation of member states.

Second Phase: Evaluation Questionnaire

- The second phase will begin on May 23, with the drafting of the questions that will form part of the Evaluation Questionnaire that will be sent to countries next year.
- These questions will provide the necessary information to determine the level of progress in implementing a priority action of the Plan of Action.

Seventh Evaluation Round of the Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism

An Evaluation Mechanism that is updated and linked to the results of previous rounds, will enable to precisely determine the efforts and progress of member states in addressing the drug phenomenon in recent years.

Government of Chile

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Working Group (IWG)
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