

GROUP OF EXPERTS ON MARITIME NARCOTRAFFICKING
November 27-29, 2023
Venue: Salon Clarion, Clarion Suites Hotel
Guatemala City, Guatemala

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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Monday, November 27

08:30-09:00 **Participants' Registration**

09:00-09:30 **Welcome Remarks:**

- Diego Paz Bustamante, Representative, Organization of American States (OAS) National Office in Guatemala
- Angela Crowdy, Assistant Executive Secretary, Executive Secretariat of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (OAS/CICAD)
- Fredy Anzueto Villatoro, Executive Secretary, Commission against Addictions and Illicit Drug Trafficking (SECCATID, by its Spanish acronym), Guatemala
- Guillermo Castillo Reyes, Vice President of Guatemala

09:30-09:45 **Official Photo**

09:45-10:00 **Break**

10:00-10:45 **Presentation: Regional Overview of Illicit Drug Trafficking in the Maritime, Riverine and Port Domains in the Americas**

- Luisa Fernandez, Program Coordinator, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

10:45-12:30 **Roundtable 1: Evolving and Emerging Maritime, Riverine, and Port Drug Trafficking Threats and Challenges:** During Roundtable 1, delegates will have the opportunity to introduce themselves and briefly comment on the main challenges their countries/institutions face to counter maritime, riverine, and port narcotrafficking.

12:30-14:30 **Lunch**

14:30-15:30 **Roundtable 2: Lessons Learnt and Best Practices Related to Legal-Operational Practices in Maritime Drug Interdiction:** During Roundtable 2, delegates will share the main legal/policy/operational measures undertaken by their institutions to address maritime, riverine, and port narcotrafficking.

15:30-15:45 **Break**

- 15:45-17:00 **Panel: Chemical Camouflage for Maritime Drug and Precursors Trafficking**
- Hector Hernando Bernal Contreras, Technical Regional Coordinator, UNODC
 - Daniel Hernandez Ramirez, Deputy Director of Analysis and Maritime Domain, Directorate of Analysis and Maritime Domain, Navy, Mexico

Tuesday, November 28

- 09:00-10:45 **Panel: Regional and Subregional Cooperation to Counter Maritime, Riverine and Port Narcotrafficking**
- Elkin Dario Pacheco Luengas, Anti-Drug Director, National Navy, Colombia
 - Marta Ines Barrios Gonzalez, Senior Prosecutor, First Prosecutor's Office Specialized in Drug-Related Crimes, Attorney General's Office, Panama
 - Jimmy Desjardins, Non-Commissioned Officer In Charge of the Coastal Detachments in Quebec (Acting), Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Canada
 - Juan Carlos Ramirez, Head, Criminal Intelligence Central, Naval Prefecture, Argentina

10:45-11:00 Break

- 11:00-12:00 **Presentation: The Agreement Concerning Co-operation in Suppressing Illicit Maritime and Air Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances in the Caribbean (San Jose Treaty, 2003)**
- Carlos Alvarado, Legal Advisor, National Coastguard Service, Costa Rica

12:00-14:00 Lunch

- 14:00-15:30 **Panel: Strategies to Strengthen Maritime Security in the Caribbean**
- Akhenathon Isaac, Commander, Coast Guard, Trinidad and Tobago
 - Enos Hamlette, Commander, Coast Guard, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
 - Francisco Inoa Pichardo, Senior Risk Analyst, Customs Intelligence Directorate, General Customs Division, Dominican Republic

- 15:30-16:30 **Conclusions and Closing**
- Rafael Parada, Chief, Supply Reduction Unit, OAS/CICAD

Wednesday, November 29

Technical visit to the Pacific Naval Command Base, San Jose Port

- 07:30 Bus departure from Clarion Suites Hotel to the Naval Base
- 14:00 Departure from Naval Base to Clarion Suites Hotel in Guatemala City