Introducing the VNGOC

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About VNGOC

- Established in 1983
- Formal link between NGOs and the Vienna-based agencies involved in drug policy: CND, INCB, UNODC

**Purpose:**

- Support NGO activities and collaborations with UN agencies
- Promote enhanced communication and exchange between NGOs, UN agencies and member states
- Increase awareness among NGOs on UN debates and processes
- Facilitate the representation of NGOs here in Vienna
VNGOC Membership:
231 NGOs from around the world
Key Achievements (1)

- NGO Forums in 1986 and 1987, linked to the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking (ICDAIT)
- UNGASS 1998: NGO Village coordinated in New York
- CND Resolution 49/2 on civil society participation (2006)
- “Beyond 2008”: nine regional consultations, Global Forum (300 NGO reps), Declaration and Resolutions
- 2014: Civil Society Task Force (CSTF) launched for the UNGASS in April 2016
- 2018: CSTF relaunched for the 2019 Ministerial Segment
Key Achievements (2)

Number of NGOs attending CND

- **1983**: Creation of the VNGOC
- **1984**: Creation of the NYNGOC
- **2008**: Beyond 2008 initiative
- **2014**: Creation of the CSTF

Our Current Work (1)

• CND orientation and CND guides every year

• Annual ‘informal dialogues’ between NGOs and UNODC ED, INCB President, and CND Chair

• NGO Marketplace: https://mp.vngoc.org

• Promoting opportunities to input into UNODC consultations: ARQs, stigma, treatment standards…

• Calls for speakers for UN meetings: including the thematic CND intersessionals every autumn

• Communications and updates on new developments: i.e. UN Common Position on Drugs
Our Current Work (2)

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