

# UNODC Youth Initiative (Drug use prevention)

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# UNODC Strategy 2021-2025

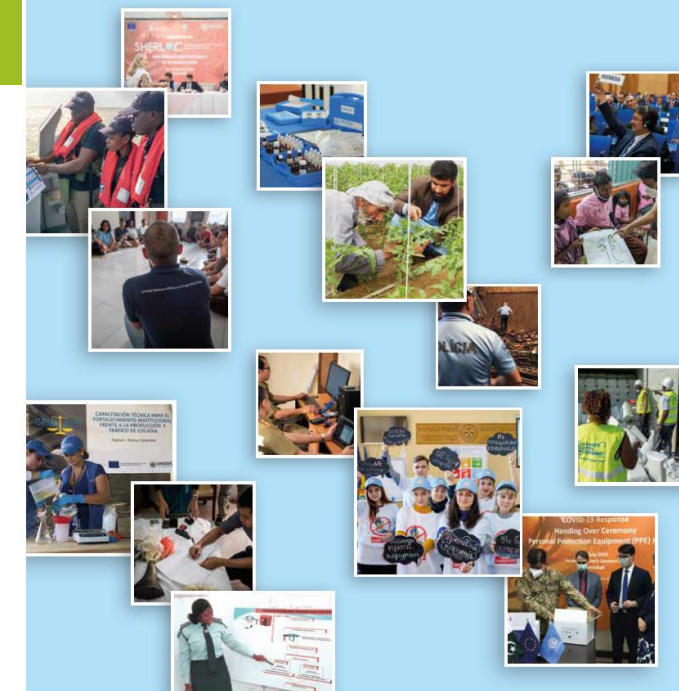
UNODC STRATEGY  
2021-2025

## Addressing and Countering the World Drug Problem

- Increase coverage and quality of prevention, treatment, care and rehabilitation by promoting evidence-based services in line with UNODC/WHO International Standards.
- Intensify focus on vulnerable populations (including children, youth, women and people in contact with the criminal justice system and in humanitarian settings).

## Cross-Cutting Commitments

- Support meaningful participation and empowerment of children and youth as well as their protection



youth initiative

# UNODC Youth Initiative

- Launched in **2012**, and celebrated its **decade last year**
- For youth to **share their experiences, ideas and creativity**, and **to get support for creating their own substance use prevention and health promotion activities.**

 **Youth Forum**

 **DAPC Grants**



# UNODC Youth Forum

- **Annual event** organized in the broader context of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND).
- Gather young people active in drug use prevention, health promotion to **'Educa****te'**, **'Engage'**, and **'Empower'** to better protect the health of their peers.



**Evidence-based prevention**



**Inspiration to make positive changes**



**Joint youth statement to global policy makers**

# UNODC Youth Forum

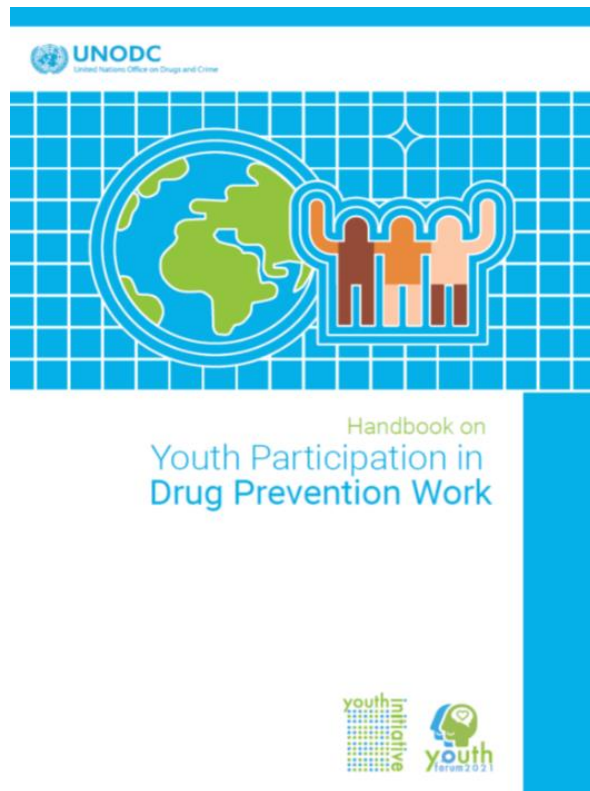
## • Educate, Engage, Empower

- Embrace key messages on evidence-based **substance use prevention**
- Learn that there *is science* behind effective prevention
- **Network and meet other youth** who are interested & passionate in prevention efforts
- Inspire to **become a changemaker** in their communities




# Youth engagement

- Following the Youth Forum, active young leaders continue to work alongside UNODC and the Youth Initiative to make positive influences at local, national, international levels.



**Listen FIRST**

«Lytt først» - et initiativ fra FNs kontor for narkotika og kriminalitet for å fremme glede, helse og omsorg i familier.



**Videoer**

- Hvorfor lytte aktivt
- Hvorfor tålmodighet er viktig
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[Handbook on Youth Participation](#)

[Listen First](#)

[Youth Magazine](#)

# DAPC Grants

- **Drug Abuse Prevention Center (DAPC)** of Japan raises funds and donates to UNODC to support youth-centered activities aimed to prevent drug use in low- and middle-income countries



## DAPC (Japan)

- Youth volunteers raise funds to support youth drug prevention NGO projects.



## UNODC

- Applications evaluated, grantees selected.



## NGOs

- Implement youth-centered activities to prevent drug use in schools and communities.

*Truly from youth, to youth, for youth!*

# DAPC Grants

- Since 2012, UNODC awarded **139 grants in 55 countries.**

Friends International  
(Lao PDR)





UP Zambia  
(Zambia)



CEDRO (Peru)





-  Youth Forum
-  DAPC Grants



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Change lies in **your hands**  
so join forces with the **youth**  
for a **future** we can look forward to!

