



COUNTRY FACT SHEET:

SURINAME



COPOLAD III supports Suriname in the implementation of Law 22 on the Prevention of Drug Abuse (1988) through technical support for a national action, two regional initiatives, and through

the country's participation in four of the Programme's working groups. The programme's support has focused on strengthening the National Drug Observatory.



WE COLLABORATE WITH THE FOCAL POINTS

- **Ministry of Justice and Police** (governing body and counterpart).
- **MOFA** – Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- **Delegation of the European Union to Guyana, for Suriname and with responsibility for Aruba, Bonaire, Curaçao, Saba, St Barthelemy, St Eustatius and St Maarten.**
- **Embassy of Suriname to the European Union in Brussels.**
- **Surinamese Mission to the European Union**



COLLABORATING INSTITUTIONS

- **NDO** – National Drug Observatory
- **NAR** National Anti-Drug Council

National Initiatives supported by COPOLAD



STRENGTHENING OF THE NATIONAL DRUG OBSERVATORIES

STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL DRUG INFORMATION AND RESEARCH SYSTEM

A mapping of human, financial and institutional resources has been developed, which has enabled the configuration of a national research network, led by the NDO. This process is accompanied by the creation of a Scientific Committee on Drugs, which will systematically advise the observatory. These advances are complemented by the development of the national agenda on drugs, scheduled for the first half of 2025, which will set out the country's research priorities.

GENDER MAINSTREAMING IN DRUG STUDIES

Technical assistance to the National Anti-Drug Council to incorporate the gender approach into a research questionnaire on drug use aimed at the LGBTIQ+ population.



REDUCING THE DEMAND FOR DRUGS

COMMUNITY TREATMENT PROJECT AT HAZARD PRISON

The National Anti-Drug Council has identified a pilot project at Hazard Prison (Nickerie) within the framework of the National Rehabilitation Plan of Suriname.

An Intervention Guide is planned to design and implement the territorialisation of prison rehabilitation policies with a gender approach, in order to coordinate

the dispersed efforts of education, leisure, social security, with new housing initiatives and more effective collaboration with the network of community resources.

Regional Initiatives in which Suriname participates

REDUCING THE DEMAND FOR DRUGS:

Suriname is participating in the development of a position paper on stigma and gender perspective in policies, actions and strategies for the comprehensive care and treatment of women and other vulnerable groups who use drugs.

policy approaches, laws and regulations; c) analysis and detection of NPS and other related substances; d) policy recommendations for the development of regional and national policies and strategies to counter dangerous drugs and NPS.

CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY IMPLEMENTATION AGENCY FOR CRIME AND SECURITY – CARICOM IMPACS:

Strengthening capacities in: a) law enforcement strategies to include New Psychotropic Substances (NPS) and synthetic substances; b) unifying practices in new drug

CARIBBEAN FINANCIAL ACTION TASK FORCE - CFATF:

Strengthening capacities to prevent money laundering and drug trafficking and improving analysis in emerging risk areas.

Suriname's Participation in Working Groups

Strengthening of the National Drug Observatories (NDOs) / **28 countries.**

Programmes and services for addiction care and social inclusion / **26 countries.**

Addressing drug-related vulnerabilities at the territorial level / **21 countries.**

Proportional punishment and penalties other than prison / **22 countries**

ALTERNATIVE DEVELOPMENT / **17 countries**

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