

Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development





International Expert Hearing: Conference on International Experiences

June 30, 2022, 09:00–17:00 Allianz Forum, Berlin, Germany

Time	Agenda (subject to changes)
09:00	Arrival and registration of participants
09:30	 Opening Remarks Carolina Chimoy, U.S. Correspondent, Deutsche Welle (conference moderation) Burkhard Blienert, Commissioner of the Federal Government for Drug and Addiction Policy
9:40	 Welcome Remarks Prof. Dr. Karl Lauterbach, Bundesminister f ür Gesundheit
9:50	 Moderated Discussion Burkhard Blienert, Commissioner of the Federal Government for Drug and Addiction Policy
10:00	 Keynote speeches (English with simultaneous translation to German) 1. Input on the model of the State of Colorado: Dominique Mendiola, Senior Director, Marijuana Enforcement Division, Colorado Department of Revenue, U.S. 2. Input on the Maltese model: Mariella Dimech, Executive Chairperson, Authority for the Responsible Use of Cannabis, Malta (connecting virtually) 3. Input on the Uruguayan model: Representative of the National Drug Commission (JND), Uruguay 4. Input on scientific evidence in relation to cannabis legalisation: Angela Me, Chief, Research and Trend Analysis Branch (RAB), United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) (connecting virtually)
10:45	 Panel with national actors and international experts in talk show format Topic: Health, Consumer and Youth Protection Representative of the German Head Office for Addiction Issues (DHS) Esther Neumeier, Director, German Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (DBDD) Georg Wurth, Executive Director, German Cannabis Association (DHV) Bob Lessel, Health Policy Expert, Ministry of Health, Luxembourg Dominique Mendiola, Senior Director, Marijuana Enforcement Division, Colorado Department of Revenue, U.S.

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12:00	Lunch break
12:45	 Keynote speeches (English with simultaneous translation to German) 1. Input on the South African Model: Representative of the South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAHPRA), South Africa 2. Input on the Thai model: Representative of the Narcotics Control Division, Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Ministry of Public Health, Thailand 3. Input on the Luxembourgish model: Bob Lessel, Health Policy Expert, Ministry of Health, Luxembourg 4. Input on the Dutch pilot project: Prof Dr André Knottnerus, Chairman of the Independent Advisory Committee, "Closed Coffeeshop Chain Experiment", Netherlands
	5. Input on the Canadian model: John Clare, Director General, Health Canada, Canada (<i>Connecting virtually</i>)
	Panel with national actors and international experts in talk show format Topic: Cultivation, Supply Chains, Taxation & Licensing
13:30	 Prof Dr Justus Haucap, Director, Düsseldorf Institute for Competition Economics (DICE) (connecting virtually) Dirk Heitepriem, Vice President, German Cannabis Industry Association (BvCW) Prof Dr André Knottnerus, Chairman of the Independent Advisory Committee, "Closed Coffeeshop Chain Experiment", Netherlands Bob Lessel, Health Policy Expert, Ministry of Health, Luxembourg
14:25	Break
14:40	Topic-specific workshops in working groups End of the public part of the event
16:00	Coffee break & closing remarks Burkhard Blienert, Commissioner of the Federal Government for Drug and Addiction Policy
16:15	Opportunity to discuss workshop results in a World Café format Presentation of workshop results on pinboards in the foyer of the Allianz Forum
17:00	End of the event

Workshops in working groups

Health, youth and consumer protection, prevention (German)

- Expert: Bob Lessel, Health Policy Expert, Ministry of Health, Luxembourg
- Expert: Maja Wegener, Executive Director, Federal Working Group on Child and Youth Protection (BAJ)
- Moderation: Esther Neumeier, Director, German Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (DBDD)

Value Chains and Sustainability (English)

- Expert: Prof Dr André Knottnerus, Chairman of the Independent Advisory Committee, "Closed Coffeeshop Chain Experiment", Netherlands
- Expert: Martin Jelsma, Director, Drugs and Democracy Programme, Transnational Institute (TNI)
- Moderation: Dr Mafalda Pardal, Senior Analyst, Drug Policy Research Center, RAND Europe

Recent Legal Developments at the International Level (English)

- Expert: Representative of Global Affairs Canada
- Moderation: Sofia Wahl, Advisor, Global Partnership on Drug Policies and Development (GPDPD), Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH



