

# ***Observatorios de Drogas frente a nuevos retos globales***

*National Drug Observatories facing new global  
challenges*

Ciudad de México

11 y 12 de septiembre de 2025



The NDO facing a  
complex reality

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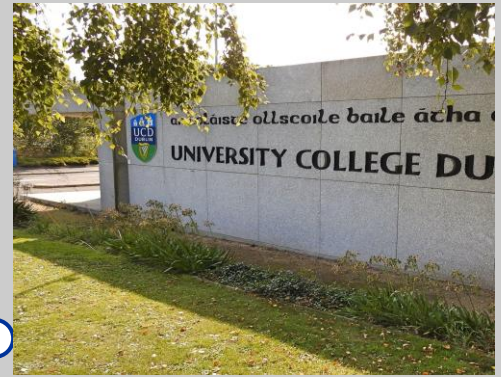
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- Background to establishing the network
- Supporting evidence-literate policy



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## Who is in the research network?

- Representatives from most Irish universities
- Drug-related health, social science and bench science disciplines
- Drugs policy
- People with lived experience





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## Purpose of research network

- Build capacity of drug and alcohol research
- Create inter-institutional partnerships to identify and win funding at EU and national level
- Align research with policy through a programme of prioritisation and planning
- Develop the international dimension of Irish substance use research



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Collaboration across HEIs,  
Government departments  
and services



Early career skills  
development



Research across  
different disciplines



Modelling and testing  
new ideas



Education environment  
for policy makers



Connected to  
international research

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## Background to research network

- Citizens Assembly on Drugs Use (2023)
- National Drugs Strategy – Research subcommittee
- Impact 2030 – Irish Government's research programme
- New European agency for drug monitoring and research
- New National Drugs Strategy 2026-2030



# Higher Education Research Evidence for Public Policy: **Young people and Substance Use**





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## Knowledge brokering event

- In partnership with Irish University Association
- Established methodology – European Commission JRC
- Senior academics and policy makers
- Focus on young people and future
- Identify clear outcomes



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## Aligning research with policy priorities

- Socio-technical analysis
- Evidence ecosystem
- Implementation science
- Strategic foresight