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Measuring the Impacts of Security Interventions: Innovating for Success

in

Drugs Policy, Organized Crime, Rule of Law and Countering Violent Extremism (CVE)

30 June 2015, 9:30am – 6:00pm
Convvene, 730 Third Avenue, New York City

AGENDA

9:30 – 10:00 Welcoming Remarks/Introduction

Mr James Cockayne, Head of Office at the UN, UN University

Mr Dmitry Titov, Assistant Secretary-General, UN DPKO Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions

10:00 – 12:00 New Methodologies in Stabilization and Rule of Law Interventions

What new data, collection and analytical techniques are emerging to measure success in stabilization and rule of law interventions? Are there lessons from other fields that should be incorporated? How do we move away from objective metrics that may satisfy donors yet fail to accurately measure program impact? Rule of Law interventions are diverse; are there metrics that work across interventions to efficiently evaluate their impact? Are intervening variables essential for better allocating intervention resources and evaluating intervention impact?

Moderator: Mr James Cockayne, UN University

What is the state of the art in assessing the impact of security interventions?
Dr Annette Brown, Deputy Director, International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie)

Incorporating experimental design into security interventions
Dr Cyrus Samii, Assistant Professor, Department of Politics, New York University

New approaches to assessing justice needs
Dr Kavita Heijstek-Ziemann, Justice Sector Adviser, HiiL

Discussant: Mr Stefan Feller, UN Police Adviser, United Nations



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Moderated Q&A.

12:00 – 1:15 *Lunch break*

1:15 – 2:45 **Drug Policy Interventions**

What drug policy metrics will allow the full impacts of policies and programming to be assessed? Are there specific impacts in the areas of human rights, development and human security that need to be factored into policy design and evaluation? Is the data available to measure these impacts? Are there challenges to capturing or analyzing that data, and if so, how can they be overcome?

Moderator: Dr Dave Bewley-Taylor, Director, Global Drug Policy Observatory at Swansea University

What do we know about how to measure drug policy interventions?
Dr Priscillia Hunt, Economist and Professor, Pardee RAND Graduate School

Public health and drugs policy metrics
Mr Diederik Lohman, Associate Director, Health and Human Rights Division,
Human Rights Watch

Discussant: Mr Mike Trace, Chair, International Drug Policy Consortium

Moderated Q&A.

3:00 – 4:45 **CVE Interventions**

CVE is a hot topic right now, but there is no consensus on what CVE interventions should look like. How do we build a coherent evaluation base across diverse programs, to develop cumulative knowledge in the scientific tradition? What variables should we be measuring? When recidivism is the outcome in question, how long should we follow program participants in order to have enough longitudinal data to accurately assess intervention impacts? What can be learned from other fields, such as organized crime?

Moderator: Ms Naureen Chowdhury Fink, Head of Research and Analysis,
Global Center for Cooperative Security

Monitoring and evaluating CVE – what is the state of the art?
Dr Peter Romaniuk, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science,
John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Challenges on the ground
Dr James Khalil, Associate – Conflict Specialist, Integrity



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Discussant: Mr Tom Parker, Counter-Terrorism Strategist, Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) Office, UN Department of Political Affairs

Moderated Q&A.

4:45 – 5:00 *Coffee break*

5:00 – 6:00 **Common Themes and Cross-Cutting Trends**

What common themes emerge across these different fields? What common challenges and opportunities present themselves?

Moderator: Mr James Cockayne, UN University

Dr Siobhan O’Neil, DDR Program Manager, UN University

6:00 Close