



## RISK ASSESSMENT FOR 'DAY OF ACTION' (26TH JUNE)

This brief assessment has been created to support local focal points in managing and preparing their local 'day of action' activities, ensuring the safety of participants and the successful delivery of a high-impact campaign. The form below is designed to act as a prompt so that the necessary steps are taken in the build-up to June 26th.

<b>Local Focal Point</b>	Name: _____	
	Organisation: _____	
	Location of 'action': _____	
Have you downloaded and read the campaign toolkit and related materials (which are freely available from <a href="http://www.supportdontpunish.org">www.supportdontpunish.org</a> )?	YES / NO	<i>If no, please consult these documents before any further planning.</i>
Have you or your organisation conducted a publicity stunt or campaign like this in the past?	YES / NO	<i>If no, please ensure to ask IDPC or other experienced local partners for advice and guidance.</i>
If yes, were there any negative repercussions as a result of you or your organisation speaking out in this manner?	YES / NO	<i>If yes, please liaise with IDPC and local partners to try and mitigate and prevent any of these repercussions.</i>
Do laws exist that outlaw or limit public gatherings or protests in your country?	YES / NO	<i>If yes, please check your legal position before starting the campaign, so as to reduce any threat of legal action or arrest. For example, you may need to apply for a license or permission to gather. Please consult local legal expertise if needed.</i>
Will the safety of individuals be compromised if they take part in this campaign – either during the 'action' itself or through identification afterwards?	YES / NO	<i>If yes, we strongly advise against organising an 'action' in this setting. Please visit <a href="http://www.supportdontpunish.org">www.supportdontpunish.org</a> to learn about other ways to engage in the campaign.</i>
Is there a process in place for approving or checking that participants attending this event will be from the target audience?	YES / NO	<i>It is important to maintain control over this aspect of the 'action' through some form of approval process. We also suggest that participants sign a consent form that they support the campaign, are happy for photos to be used, and that the campaign coordinator does not accept liability for injuries etc. In order to avoid barriers to participation, this can be linked to the distribution of campaign t-shirts or materials on the day.</i>
Do you consider the media in your country to be sympathetic on the issue of drug use?	YES / NO	<i>If no, please carefully consider the pros and cons of holding an 'action' – particularly in terms of protecting participants from a hostile media. Please also consider preparing a 'media crisis plan' with nominated spokespersons etc.</i>
If a venue is being used, have the relevant health and safety / fire risk assessment / accessibility issues been considered?	YES / NO	<i>Although most 'actions' will be in outdoor, public areas – please take careful note of these extra considerations and requirements if holding an event indoors.</i>