

Office on Drugs and Crime - UNODC

The Office on Drugs and Crime was established in 1997 and has around 500 staff members in over 150 countries working with governments and non-governmental organizations.

UNODC tackles issues regarding illicit drugs and international crime. UNODC lead the UN to start the lead programme on terrorism. It works to spread awareness on the dangers of drugs abuse and to reinforce international defence against drug trafficking, drug-related crime, and laundering. UNODC strengths drug control and crime prevention.

UNODC implements its goals through alternatives in the area of drug crop cultivation, monitoring of crops and creating projects against money laundering.

UNODC has 3 pillars in the work program:

1. Field-based technical cooperation projects to enhance the capacity of Member States to counteract illicit drugs, crime and terrorism.
2. Research and analytical work to increase knowledge and understanding of drugs and crime issues and expand the evidence base for policy and operational decisions.
3. Normative work to assist States in the ratification and implementation of the relevant international treaties, the development of domestic legislation on drugs, crime and

terrorism, and the provision of secretariat and substantive services to the treaty – based and governing body.