



# EUROPEAN CITIES AGAINST DRUGS

13 TH MAYORS' CONFERENCE



## P R O G R A M M E

# *COMBATING DRUGS- A WORLD CHALLENGE?*



HOSTED BY  
THE CITY OF VILNIUS  
1-2 JUNE, 2006



## DEAR FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES!

*I have a pleasure to invite you to the ECAD 13<sup>th</sup> Mayors' Conference to be held in capital of Lithuania. The main theme of the event - Combating Drugs – Global Challenge – suggests us that painful problems of drug addiction and it's consequences that we are facing in our cities, neighborhoods and families in today's fast-changing world must be discussed in global context. Drug usage is a global problem that could be solved only by joint efforts of specialists and experts from all over the world.*

*The ECAD 13<sup>th</sup> Mayors' Conference will help to review the existing evidence on drug policy, best practice examples in the cities and needs for further cooperation.*

*Local authorities, decision makers, politicians, national and international experts are all invited to share their views and experiences in fighting against drug dependence.*

*All partners involved in Lithuania will do their best to create a pleasant working atmosphere, and look forward to seeing you in Vilnius.*

ARTURAS ZUOKAS, MAYOR OF VILNIUS

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### Wednesday, May 31st

Arrivals

**The Venue:** City Hall

19:00 WELCOME RECEPTION AT CITY HALL

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### Thursday, June 1st

#### Registration at the City Hall

09:30 Arturas Zuokas, Mayor of Vilnius

09:40 H.E. Valdas Adamkus, President of Lithuania

09:50 H.E. Olafur Ragnar Grimsson, President of Iceland,  
Patron of the Youth in Europe programme

10:00 Jim Corr, Chairman, ECAD

10:10 Hans Lundborg, Chairman, UN Commission on Narcotic Drugs

10:25 Zilvinas Padaiga, Minister of Health

10:35 Gintaras Jonas Furmanavicius, Minister of Interior

10:45 PRESS BRIEFING COFFEE BREAK

11:10 Russian Federal Agency on Drug Control (to be confirmed)

12:00 LUNCH

13:10 Trevor Grice, Founder/Director, Life Education Trust, New Zealand  
"The Challenges of Youth in Today's Society"

14:00 Professor Thorolfur Thorlindsson, Faculty of Social Science  
University of Reykjavik, Iceland, "Prevention that works"

14:40 Audrone Astrauskiene, Director of Drug Control Department

15:10 **Mayors' Forum**

20:00 OFFICIAL DINNER HOSTED BY THE CITY OF VILNIUS

## Friday, June 2nd

- 09:30 Professor Erkki Vuori, Dept. of Forensic Medicine,  
University of Helsinki  
*"Buprenorphine, an abused opioid"* Questions & answers
- 10:10 Kerstin Käll, Med. Dr., Chief Medical Officer, Addiction Clinic  
Linköping University Hospital, Sweden  
*"Needle exchange programs"* Questions & answers
- 10:50 COFFEE BREAK
- 11:20 Anna Fugelstad, Psychologist, PhD, Sweden  
*"Drug related death - a problematic definition"*
- 12:00 Andrejs Vilks, Rigas Duma, Director, ECAD Latvia  
*"Corruption - a Hinder for the Fight Against Drugs"*
- 12:25 LUNCH
- 13:30 Janina Asadauskiene  
Best practices of Klaipeda Municipal Government
- 14:15 **Experts' Forum**  
Prevention, rehabilitation, integration  
Open discussion  
Linus Karalius, "New Fashion": Modern way of prevention of drug use  
amongst youngsters  
Mindaugas Survilas, "Meikstu dvaras" rehabilitation center  
Arturas Melianas, "Mano Guru" program for integration of former drug  
addicts  
Conclusions. Discussions. Presentation of good practices
- 16:00 **ECAD Plenary Session** (for ECAD members only)
- 19:00 DINNER

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## Saturday, June 3rd

- 10:30 - 13:30
- Panoramic Vilnius City Tour
  - Social Ailments Counseling Clinic "Demetra", Drug User's Social-Psychological Rehabilitation Community
  - Low threshold consulting room , Laboratory
- 13:30 - 15:00 LUNCH
- 15:00 - 18:30
- Walking tour of Vilnius
  - Trakai City Tour
  - Public Education Department , Day Care Center for risk group girls

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## Sunday, June 4th

Departures

# GENERAL INFORMATION



## Venue

*The Conference will take place at the City Hall, Didzioji str.31*

## Languages

*The Conference language is English with interpretation into Lithuanian & Russian*

## Travel

*Vilnius International Airport*

*From the airport to hotel: taxi (about 20 LTL, cash) or bus (1.40 LTL)*

*Local currency: Litas, 1 Euro - 3,3 LTL (April 2006)*

*Major credit cards accepted: Visa, MasterCard, EuroCard, American Express*

*Please note that citizens of some countries might need entry visas to visit Lithuania*

*More information at [www.urm.lt](http://www.urm.lt)*

## Registration and Accommodation

*Please see enclosed registration form or*

*Register directly at [www.vilnius.lt/ecad](http://www.vilnius.lt/ecad)*

## Further information

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