

Key messages Commission on Narcotic Drugs and Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

2020 theme of the ECOSOC and the High-level Political Forum

- CND: Last March the Commission on Narcotic Drugs adopted the 2019 Ministerial Declaration, highlighting Member States' commitment to focus beyond 2019 on the practical implementation of all international drug policy commitments made over the past decade. "*Accelerated action*" – *making a real difference on the ground* is therefore at the core of our agenda for 2020 and beyond, contributing to the implementation of various SDGs and also touching upon entry points identified by the Global Sustainable Development Report for accelerating progress.
- CCPCJ will in 2020 make crucial contributions to a decade of action and delivery for sustainable development. The Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice is the main policy-making body in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice, and acts as the preparatory body for the UN Crime Congresses, that are held every five years. In 2020, the 14th Congress will be held in Kyoto, Japan, and will set the tone for international policy for the years to come. The CCPCJ is expected to endorse the outcome of the Congress at its regular session in May this year.

Implementation of GA resolution 72/305 and enhanced cooperation among ECOSOC subsidiary bodies:

- The Commissions welcome the excellent cooperation among the functional commissions of the ECOSOC on cross-cutting issues, complementing the specific mandates of the Commissions.
- Each body has a specific area of expertise and that the clear division of labour is ensured and defined by the mandates obtained from Member States. There are many cross-cutting elements, which form the potential for enhanced cooperation in particular in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.
- The Vienna-based functional Commissions, the CND and CCPCJ, produce policy recommendations and contribute to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda – with key annual action-oriented negotiated outcomes, including such outcomes which provide mandates to the UN Secretariat.
- The Commissions call on ECOSOC to support enhanced horizontal cooperation; to enhance the visibility and relevance of the work of all of its subsidiary bodies; to create opportunities for the Chairs to meet and participate in joint panels or events; and ensure that the growing workload of the subsidiary bodies is met with the adequate financial resources;