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SUBSTANCE ABUSE IN THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ERA
Addiction prevention, treatment and recovery as tools to eradicate poverty and boost development

February 5, 2018, 10.00 - 11.30 HRS
Conference room D, GA Building UN
UN Headquarters, New York

Addiction is so pervasive worldwide that it puts a heavy burden on all societies and communities within them. But it hits hardest those people, families and communities who are already marginalized and vulnerable.

With a line-up of extraordinary speakers, this Panel Discussion will provide state-of-the-art knowledge and understanding of the subject matter:
• How mental ill-health and substance abuse impact sustainable development
• Outline the work of the UN system in response to this health and development priority
• Share inspiring stories from affected communities and their work for transformative change
• Present concrete best practices to address the problems locally, and finally
• Discuss ways forward exploring synergies and effective ways to tackle the problem and contribute to sustainable development.

S P E A K E R S

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Substance abuse and the SDGs:

Recovery ready communities

Rights-based rehabilitation programs in poorest communities. Perspectives from Uganda

Community-based and evidence-based prevention and rehabilitation interventions. Perspectives from Sri Lanka

Substance abuse and families: How big is the problem and what to do about it?

Societies of addiction: what works to tackle harmful substances on population level?

Moderator