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Addressing Environment Protection through Alternative Development (AD)

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1. The concept of Alternative Development (AD)
2. BMZ Engagement in the Field of AD
3. The Global Partnership on Drug Policies and Development (GPDPD)
4. Cooperation between Thailand – Colombia – Germany in the framework of GPDPD



Basic Assumptions: The Nexus of Drug Crop Production and Development

- Guiding assumption: Illicit drug economies are triggered by underlying development deficits such as poverty, weak state institutions and insecurity
 - lack of licit means of income for small-scale farmers in marginalized rural areas





Alternative Development (AD)

“a process to prevent and eliminate the illicit cultivation of plants containing narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances through specifically designed rural development measures (..)”
(UN General Assembly Resolution A/RES/S-20/4, September 1998)

- Alternative development projects aim to **create sustainable livelihoods** for farmers to replace the cultivation of drug crops such as coca, opium poppy and cannabis.
- This entails promoting **integral rural development** in remote cultivation areas and evaluating projects through socio-economic development indicators.



Women in a strawberry field in Thailand

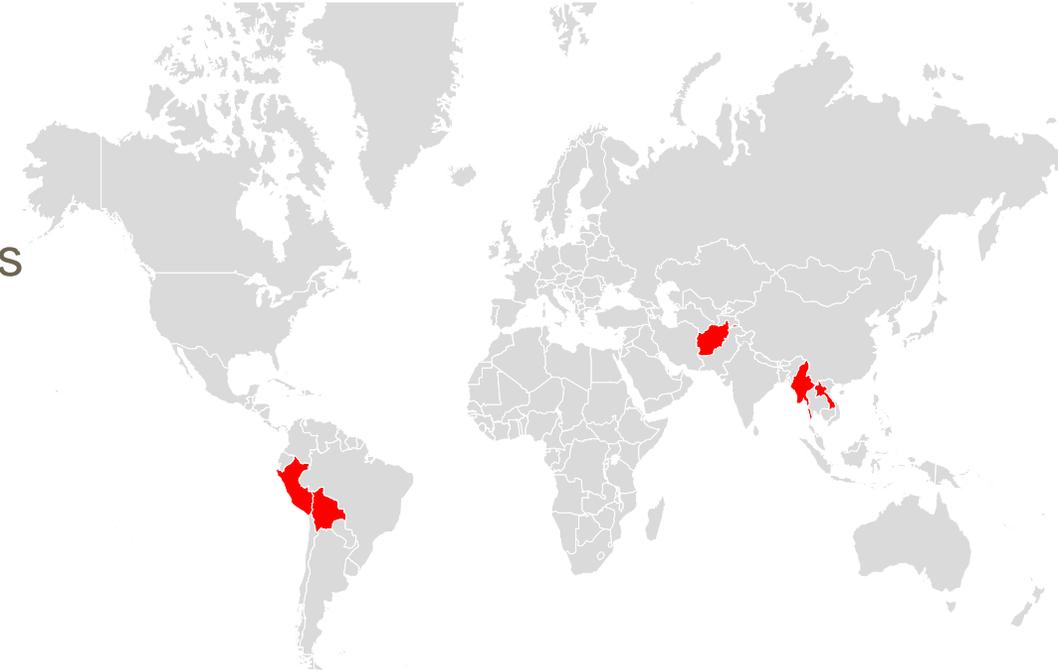


BMZ's engagement in the Field of AD

GIZ, on behalf of BMZ, has been implementing AD projects in Asia and Latin America since the 1980s

Project focus:

- Food security
- Development of value creation chains
- Marketing of alternative products
- Support to farmers and self-organizing producer associations
- ...
- Reduce dependency of farmers on illicit drug economy





Global Partnership on Drug Policies and Development (GPDPD)

- Project period: 08/2015 – 05/2019 (first phase)
- Objective: International promotion of evidence-based **development- and health-oriented** approaches on drug policy on a bilateral level and in the international dialogue
- Project staff in Berlin, Bangkok and Bogotá



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Fields of Action of GPPD

1

- Fostering **international dialogue** on drug policies in the context of UNGASS 2016 and beyond

2

- **Advise** interested governments in the field of Alternative Development and public health-related drug policies

3

- Promoting **research** on evidence-based drug policy related to Alternative Development and Public Health



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FA 1: Expert Group Meeting (EGM) on AD, September 2017





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FA 1: Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND)

Side event on AD, 14 March 2017

➤ Embedding Development Approaches at the International Level



Human Security and the Rule of Law : Alternative Development's Contribution to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Tentative Date:

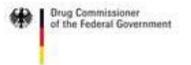
Tuesday 14 March, 2017
13.30 – 14.30,
MBR-A Room

Organizers:

Government of Thailand, Government of Germany,
Government of Colombia, Government of Peru,
the Thailand Institute of Justice, with UNODC

Objective:

- To exchange research, views and experiences on the implementation of alternative development to reinforce national and international efforts to mainstream alternative development programmes into national development policies with the aim to improve the well-being of vulnerable populations in illicit drug producing areas
- To underscore the importance of developing indicators and measuring the success of alternative development and its contributions to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, taking into consideration human development indicators and the presence of the rule of law





SESSION

COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

Vienna, 2017

Vienna, Austria, 13-17 March 2017

E/CN.7/2017/11

Chapter I

Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

A. Draft resolution to be recommended by the Economic and Social Council for adoption by the General Assembly

1. The Commission on Narcotic Drugs recommends to the Economic and Social Council the approval of the following draft resolution for adoption by the General Assembly:

Draft resolution

Promoting the implementation of the United Nations Guiding Principles on Alternative Development and related commitments on alternative development and regional, interregional and international cooperation on development-oriented, balanced drug control policy addressing socioeconomic issues

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming that drug policies and programmes, including in the field of development, should be undertaken in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, international law and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights¹ and, in particular, with full respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of States, the principle of non-intervention in the

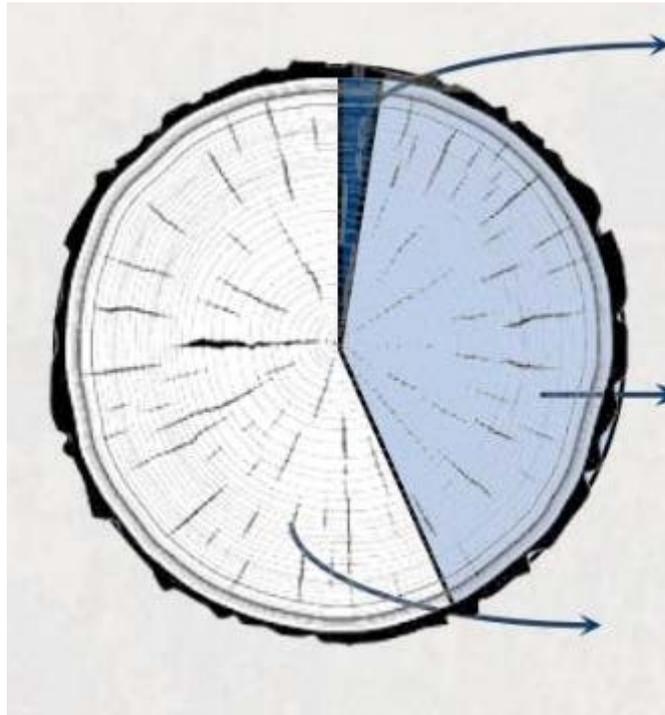
„The General Assembly,

30. Encourages affected States and relevant development stakeholders to examine innovative ways to promote alternative development programmes, including, where appropriate, preventive alternative development programmes that are environmentally friendly;”



FA 2: Pilot projects in Colombia: Illicit coca crops as a “Motor of Deforestation”

Deforestation in the Amazon (study period 2005-2014)



Direct deforestation due
to coca cultivation:
17.564 ha

Deforestation asso-
ciated with coca
cultivation: **298.474 ha**

Deforestation by other
causes: **412.508 ha**



Source: Policy Brief Coca y Deforestación



Environmental Sustainability and Illicit Crops

Illicit crops can be a significant factor in deforestation.

Integral AD



Chemical products used in the manufacture of drugs are frequently discharged directly into rivers and forests.

Integral AD



Threat to the world's biodiversity through coca crops in the Amazon region.

Integral AD





FA 2: Pilot Projects in Colombia

- **5 pilot projects** in cooperation with GIZ bilateral program **REDD+** (Protection of Forests and the Climate)
- Located in the Amazon region of Colombia, in the Departments of **Guaviare**, **Putumayo** and **Sur del Meta**.
- **Objective:** support Colombia's Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development (MADS) in **preventing deforestation due to illicit coca-cultivation** through identifying and implementing sustainable alternative income models with the affected communities.





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Pilot Project: Sustainable use of the Acai berry, Puerto Asís (Putumayo) (1)



- **Municipality Puerto Asís** → Around **167 ha** of forest affected by illicit crops (2005-2014).
- Implemented with REDD+ and UNODC; MFLF advisory mission
- Participatory approach
- **Objective:** Sustainable use of Acai in **natural forests** to reduce deforestation and prevent illicit crops



Acai (*Euterpe oleraceae* and *Euterpe precatoria*)

- Native palm from the north of South America, especially located in Amazonia
- Acai fruit has an important content of antioxidants, healthy omegas and vital nutrients
- Economic alternative for local communities → helps to prevent illicit crops in the region



Sustainable use of the Acai berry, Puerto Asís (Putumayo) (2)

- The **market access** is facilitated through partnerships with the private sector by trade agreements that are related to forest conservation agreements with the communities
- Promotion of the solidarity economy, technical and legal advice with the accompaniment of the Colombian Environmental Authorities (MADS, Corpoamazonia) and a private enterprise (Corpocampo)

Conserved forest area	Beneficiaries
300 ha by agreements on sustainable conservation	50 families





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FA 2: Colombian Study Visits in Thailand, October 2016 & August 2017

Training of decision-makers and technical personnel from partner countries on Alternative Development conducted by the Mae Fah Luang Foundation in Thailand.





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Tailandia, un ejemplo en el éxito de la sustitución voluntaria de cultivos de uso ilícito

Intercambio de conocimientos entre Tailandia y Colombia sobre la transformación de las zonas afectadas por cultivos de uso ilícito



Source: Alta Consejería Presidencial para el Posconflicto 2017,
<http://especiales.presidencia.gov.co/Documents/20170919-tailandia-ejemplo-exito/tailandia-ejemplo-exito.html#>, accessed 9 October 2017.

Search Keyword



Thailand pleased with Colombia's adaptation to drug approach

27 Aug 2017 | 18:24 | (301 Viewer) |



BANGKOK, 27 August 2017 (NNT) – Thailand is pleased to learn that Colombia has decided to utilize Thailand's approach on tackling narcotics through the

Colombia to follow late King's example in tackling illegal crops

Beset with farmers growing narcotic plants, Colombia plans to follow the example of Thailand's late King Bhumibol Adulyadej in a bid to convince them to begin cultivating alternative crops.

Eduardo Díaz Uribe, director of the South American nation's Agency for the Substitution of Illicit Crops, is tasked with convincing tens of thousands of farmers to exchange the coca they're growing on 150,000 hectares for a less harmful crop. Díaz Uribe, on a visit to Thailand, said yesterday his government would adopt the measures initiated here by King Rama IX in areas where coca – from which cocaine is derived – is being grown. King Rama IX succeeded in persuading farmers in the North to trade the cultivation of opium for other crops and initiative agricultural practices that made the new crops just as financially lucrative.



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Colombia to adopt royal crop substitution scheme

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WRITER: KING-OUA LAOHONG



Opium poppies. The same crop substitution wisdom used in the Royal Projects in Chiang Rai will be applied in Colombia to combat the growing of coca plants, the source of the drug cocaine. (Bangkok Post file photo)

The Colombian government will apply the late King Bhumibol Adulyadej's royal wisdom in tackling its own drug problem - the widespread cultivation of coca, the source of cocaine, Office of the Narcotics Control Board secretary-general Sirinya Sidthichai said on Friday.

He was after taking visiting representatives of Colombian anti-drug authorities to visit Doi Tung Development Project and a reforestation project under the Global Partnership on Drug Policies and Development (GPDPD).

The delegation, which is visiting Thailand from Aug 23-31, includes Eduardo Diaz Uribe, director for Comprehensive Care on the Fight against Drugs in



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