

## **2nd International Forum on Drug Policy - The Fentanyl and Other Synthetic Opioids Crises: New Challenges and New Responses (Shanghai, 7-9 June 2022) [Hybrid Conference]**

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Call for Papers

Date:

June 7, 2022 to June 9, 2022

Location:

China

Subject Fields:

World History / Studies, Public Health, Public Policy, Social Sciences, Diplomacy and International Relations

The International Center for Drug Policy Studies at Shanghai University (ICDPS Shanghai) is pleased to announce the call for papers for the Second International Forum on Drug Policy, currently scheduled for June 7-9, 2022 in a hybrid format in Shanghai. The theme of the Second Forum will be 'The Fentanyl and Other Synthetic Opioids Crises: New Challenges and New Responses'.

2022 marks the 110th anniversary of the conclusion of the 1912 Hague International Opium Convention, the first international drugs control treaty. Over the past century, international drug control has achieved many of its objectives. However, the abuse of psychoactive substances around the globe has been reported to increase in the last two decades. Implementation of regulations on these substances is still facing numerous challenges. With the Covid-19 pandemic still sweeping the world and significant changes taking place in several areas, rethinking existing frameworks of policy, regulation and governance of drugs is necessary. It is crucial for drug historians as well as drug policy researchers and practitioners to rethink and discuss how adjustments can be brought to drug policies.

The conference welcomes research on fentanyl and opioids-related crises from all disciplinary perspectives, and drug policy at local, national and international levels. Proposed topics for this conference include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Current situation and emerging trends of the fentanyl and other synthetic opioids-related crises;
- Policy and regulations in different countries/jurisdictions on the fentanyl and other synthetic opioids;

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- Epidemiological studies on the use and abuse of fentanyl and other synthetic opioids;
- Comparative studies on the crisis and regulation of fentanyl and other synthetic opioids in different countries and regions;
- Challenges of the opioids crisis for the international drugs control system;
- Global responses to opioids-related crises and their effectiveness;
- Other illicit drug abuse in the opioid crisis.

## LANGUAGE

The Forum will be held in English and Chinese.

## FUNDING

There is no registration fee. We are pleased to offer to all speakers: three nights of accommodation from 7 June 2022; lunches, teas and coffees on each day of the event; and all three conference dinners. Due to limited funds, the Forum organizers are not able to cover the travel expenses of all speakers but partial travel bursaries will be considered upon request.

## VISA

The Forum organizers will provide a letter of support for visa applications. The information required should be sent to the Forum organizers. Visa applications are the responsibility of each delegate so please check requirements as soon as possible with your nearest Chinese visa office.

## ABSTRACT AND FULL PAPER SUBMISSION

If you are interested in taking part in this conference please submit an abstract of no more than 300 words or a panel proposal of around 500 words along with a brief bio note to [forum2022@126.com](mailto:forum2022@126.com) by **15 March 2022**. Please include the last name of author(s) and 'Second International Forum on Drug Policy' in the email subject line. Selected participants will be notified by 31 March 2022. Full papers would need to be not more than 8,000 words and submitted by 30 April 2022.

## BEST PAPERS SELECTION AND AWARD

The Scientific Committee of this Forum will review the submissions, nominate best papers, and award the authors 'Best Paper Prize'.

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