

THE BECKLEY FOUNDATION

BECKLEY FOUNDATION GLOBAL DRUG POLICY SEMINAR 2005 HOUSE OF LORDS, PALACE OF WESTMINSTER, LONDON 21-22 NOVEMBER 2005

MAIN SEMINAR
MONDAY 21 NOVEMBER
MOSES ROOM, HOUSE OF LORDS

This seminar is the second of a series of Beckley Foundation seminars on international drug policy and fifth in the series, *Society & Drugs: A Rational Perspective*.

Over the past 12 months, the Beckley Foundation Drug Policy Programme (BFDPP) has produced a series of reports and briefing papers analysing the current state of national and international drug policies, and promoting the development of effective policy based on the available evidence. Following a very successful seminar on global drug policy in October 2004, we are now planning to bring together a small number of high level policymakers, academics and NGOs on an annual basis, to review the latest evidence and debate future policy options in an atmosphere of mutual respect and confidentiality.

The 2005 seminar will cover two themes - the morning session will look at current evidence for what works in the reduction of specific drug-related problems, and the afternoon session will look at the impact of international drug control systems on scientific and medical research.

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TO BE HELD IN THE MOSES ROOM

HOUSE OF LORDS, PALACE OF WESTMINSTER, LONDON
ON MONDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 2005
9.00 AM - 6.00 PM

9.00am ARRIVE

9.20am WELCOME
Amanda Lady Neidpath - *Beckley Foundation*

CHAIR INTRODUCTION
Dame Ruth Runciman

INTRODUCTION TO THE BECKLEY FOUNDATION DRUG POLICY
PROGRAMME
Mike Trace - *Beckley Foundation Drug Policy Programme (BFDPP)*

REDUCTION OF DRUG-RELATED PROBLEMS

9.45am REDUCING DRUG SUPPLY
Dr. Marcus Roberts - *BFDPP*
Discussant - Dr. Francisco Thoumi - *Rosario University, Colombia*

DISCUSSION

10.55am COFFEE BREAK

11.10am REDUCING DRUG RELATED CRIME
Alex Stevens - *BFDPP*
Discussant - Prof. Mark Kleiman - *UCLA*

DISCUSSION

12.20pm REDUCING DRUG RELATED HARM TO HEALTH
Prof. Gerry Stimson - *BFDPP*
Discussant - Dr. Anindya Chatterjee - *UNAIDS*

DISCUSSION

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- 1.30pm LUNCH RECEPTION
Hosted by Lord Mancroft and Amanda Neidpath; the reception will be held in the Cholmondeley Banqueting Room.
- Talks by the Rt. Hon Lord Mancroft and the Rt. Hon Paul Goggins MP (UK Government Drugs Minister)
- THE IMPACT OF INTERNATIONAL DRUG CONTROL SYSTEMS ON SCIENTIFIC AND MEDICAL RESEARCH
- 2.45pm CHAIR INTRODUCTION
Prof. Colin Blakemore
Medical Research Council
- 3.00pm THE MEDICAL POTENTIAL OF CANNABIS
Prof. Les Iversen
Oxford University
- 3.35pm THE EFFECTS OF MEDICAL REGULATION OF CANNABIS IN THE U.S.
Robert Kampia
Medical Marijuana Project
- 4.10pm COFFEE BREAK
- 4.30pm THE SCIENTIFIC AND THERAPEUTIC POTENTIAL OF PSYCHEDELICS
Prof. Dave Nichols
Purdue University
- 5.05pm COGNITIVE ENHANCERS – BLURRING THE BOUNDARIES
Dr. John Marsden
Institute of Psychiatry
- 5.30pm PANEL AND GENERAL DISCUSSION
- 6.00pm CLOSE