

REPORT 2019

Over 35 Years
of Commitment
to People

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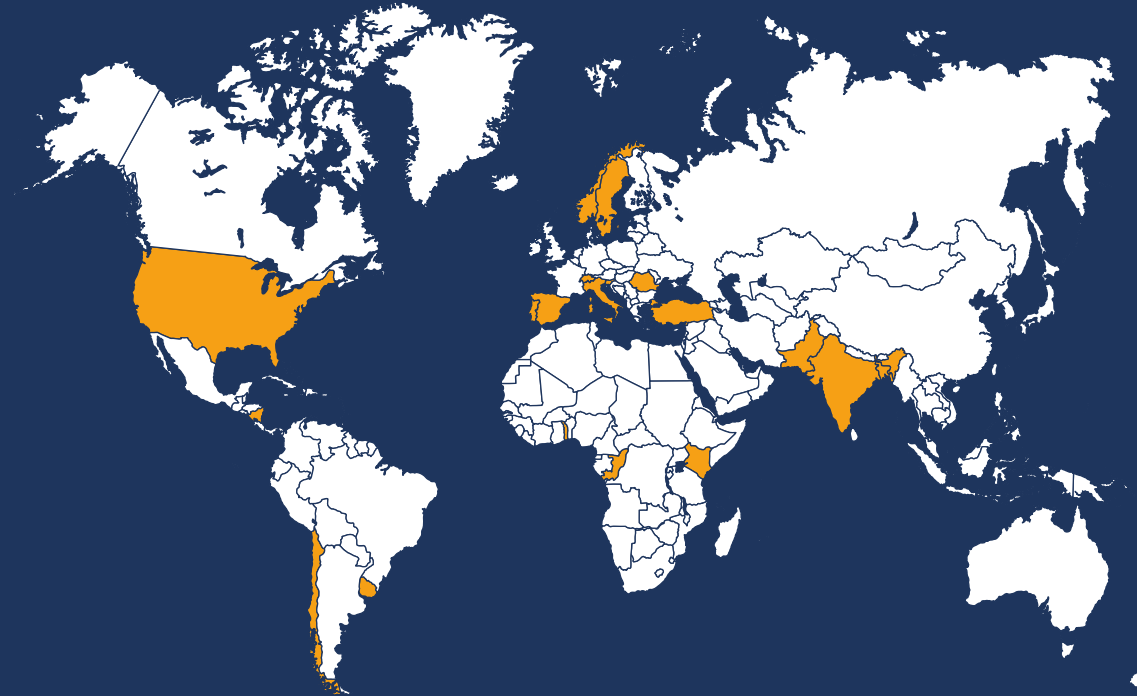
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Dianova International

The Organisation Internationale Dianova (also known as Dianova International) is a Swiss NGO committed to social progress and supporting the development of programmes and projects aimed at improving people's lives in 19 countries and 4 continents. The organization is also dedicated to defending their rights to health, equality and social integration through interventions in international organizations and forums.



General Information

**Over 35
years**

of commitment
to people



804

employees - **55%**
women, **45%** men

587

volunteers



42 direct
care facilities



**4 awareness
campaigns,**
58 publications,
197 advocacy initiatives
in 12 countries

25 members
from 19 countries
and 4 continents



More than **100**
intervention and
social integration
programmes

14

affiliations
to international
organizations,
federations and
networks of NGOs

Partnerships with International Organizations



NGO with Special Consultative Status to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC)



Registered Civil Society Organization to the Organization of American States (OAS)



NGO in consultative relationship with the UNESCO

Affiliations

Addiction & Drug Policies



Networks of NGOs



Mental Health



Gender Equality



Our Commitment to Social Progress

International relations and advocacy

We endeavour to give civil society a voice in international organizations and forums while identifying social problems and addressing the causes of vulnerability.



Mobilizing resources for a social objective

We promote and nurture partnerships with the public and private sectors to ensure the sustainability of our actions.

Support to our members

We promote knowledge sharing practices between the organizations of the Dianova network and we support the development of their activities.



We Contribute to Sustainable Development

We work in six areas closely associated with the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through:

Our international awareness campaigns



Our publications, reports and studies



Our advocacy initiatives and participation in international forums



Our activities and projects





Advocacy: our Contribution to the 2030 Agenda

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Goals Impacted:
SDG 4: Quality Education
SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities

Encompassing:
11% of our activities

Publications : 9
 Advocacy initiatives : 23
 Awareness campaign: 1



Goals Impacted:
SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being
SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth

Encompassing:
48% of our activities

Publications : 20
 Advocacy initiatives : 94
 International campaigns : 2



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ACTION AGAINST INEQUALITIES



Goals Impacted:

- SDG 10:** Reduced Inequalities
- SDG 1:** No Poverty
- SDG 5:** Gender Equality

Encompassing:
5% of our activities

Publications : 3
Advocacy initiatives : 9

PARTNERSHIPS & COOPERATION



Goals Impacted:

- SDG 17:** Partnerships for the Goals
- SDG 1:** No poverty
- SDG 4:** Quality Education
- SDG 5:** Gender Equality
- SDG 10:** Reduced Inequalities
- SDG 16:** Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

Encompassing:
20% of our activities

Publications : 13
Advocacy initiatives : 40



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Goals Impacted:

SDG 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

SDG 5: Gender Equality

Encompassing:
5% of our activities

Publications : 2
Advocacy initiatives : 10



Goals Impacted:

SDG 5: Gender Equality

SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities

Encompassing:
11% of our activities

Publications : 11
Advocacy initiatives : 22
International campaigns : 1

Main Actions 2019



“Language courses and training for the integration of vulnerable young migrants and refugees”. This project was aimed at young migrants and refugees between 12 and 18 years of age referred to the Dianova residential centre by the National Justice System. The aim of the project was to improve beneficiaries’ skills through training courses targeting employability.

A total of 30 people have benefited from the project. 15 young residents participated in the 3 technical training courses and 15 additional young people referred by local organizations have benefited from the social activities organized within the courses.

The project was funded by the Kahane Foundation.

ROME (ITALY)

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January



“Creating Health and Welfare Networks for Young People and their Families” is a project addressing the high personal and social vulnerability of many young people in Nicaragua, particularly in relation to addiction and teen pregnancy.

The project has created the conditions for **60 young people aged between 10 and 19, 40 adults (parents or tutors) and more than 200 families**, to develop their social skills, strengthen their family and community ties and enhance their ability to take responsible decisions for their health and their future.

The project was co-funded by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

GRANADA (NICARAGUA)

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Addressing women's specific needs: **"No woman left behind: hope for women facing substance use disorder"**. Dianova organized a parallel event held during the Commission of the Status of Women, with co-sponsorship of the Pan Pacific and Southeast Asia Women's Association (PPSEAWA) and the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (CoNGO).

The event brought together experts with the aim of sharing experiences, identifying initiatives and finding solutions that include the participation of women with substance use disorder. **The event was attended by 90 people.**

NEW YORK (USA)

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Participation in two parallel events at the United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs.

Organized by the Governments of Uruguay, Canada, Estonia and Norway, Dianova participated in a parallel event entitled **"Addressing Stigma: continuing with the discussion"** and presented initiatives to reduce addiction stigma within health services, the media and the workplace. **The event was attended by 70 people.**

"Evidence-based addiction treatment and Therapeutic Communities as an integral part of the health system". A study by NGOs Proyecto Hombre (Spain) and KETHEA (Greece) was presented at this high-level event co-organized by Dianova, and aimed at analyzing the outcomes of addiction treatment in therapeutic communities. **The event was attended by 50 people.**

VIENNA (AUSTRIA)

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#YourVoice+ International awareness campaign. Launched on International Women's day, the objective of the campaign was to give both men and women a stronger voice in order to **achieve real progress in pursuing the 2030 Agenda** and its vision of a world 'in which all women and girls enjoy full gender equality and all the legal, social and economic barriers for their empowerment have been removed'.

AUDIENCE: 802,257 PEOPLE FROM CHILE, SPAIN, ITALY, PORTUGAL AND SWEDEN

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March



#ListenFirst awareness campaign - the campaign's objective was to raise awareness of the importance of establishing positive relationships among one's family, and more particularly with one's children, in order to help them to grow up healthy and to manage negative emotions without resorting to alcohol and drug use. **Dianova provided communication tools to facilitate more effective dialogue** as well as activities designed to improve communication between parents and children from 7 to 14 years of age.

AUDIENCE: 634,416 PEOPLE FROM SPAIN AND CHILE

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"Working together - Drugs and Sustainable Development"- Published by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), this best practice handbook aimed to familiarise civil society with the Outcome Document of the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on the world drug problem (UNGASS 2016), and to highlight the need for civil society to play a greater role in the implementation of the document's recommendations within the work areas relating to the SDGs.

The guide contains **three of the Dianova network's best practices:**

- Early intervention programme, by Dianova Spain
- International certification: professional development and skills in residential treatment, by Dianova Chile
- Slum Smart Ambassadors (Kenya) by the Slum Child Foundation

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April



"Defending the Human Rights of drug users in the American hemisphere", at the 65th session of the **Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD)**.

Among other things, the meeting placed an emphasis on regional efforts to implement and follow up on the recommendations of UNGASS 2016, the alternatives to imprisonment and legislative responses in the face of the proliferation of New Psychoactive Substances (NPS) in the region.

Dianova is concerned about the ongoing violations of drug users' human rights in the region and the organization calls on CICAD to address this critical issue.

BUENOS AIRES (ARGENTINA)

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"Interventions in drugs from the point of view of ethics, quality and methodological rigour", XXI Ibero-American Seminar on Drugs and Cooperation organized by the Ibero-American network of NGOs working in drugs and addiction (RIOD).

The objective shared by all participants was to continue to seek an improved quality of life for people and communities affected by the drug problem, from a human rights-based perspective.

Dianova's contribution was based on the exchange of good practices and experiences deriving from its different programmes and projects, with the objective of joining forces to improve interventions and achieve advocacy goals.

MONTEVIDEO (URUGUAY)

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"Towards an unequivocal contribution", training session by the Dianova network, 12th Management and Development Seminar.

The session's objective was to introduce the participants to a proven methodology to enable them to reflect on the positioning, challenges and evolution required to contribute to the sustainable development of the Dianova network member organizations, by providing the participants with a number of tools to be applied by teams in their respective countries and organizations. 32 people attended the event from 12 Dianova network member organizations from Chile, Slovenia, Spain, United States, Italy, Nicaragua, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Togo, Turkey and Uruguay.

BARCELONA (SPAIN)

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The Geneva Drug Policy Week was organized by the Geneva Platform on Human Rights, Health and Psychoactive Substances, with the support of GREA (Romandy Study Group on Addiction) and the Institute of Global Health at the University of Geneva.

Dianova participated in the event **"Drugs, gender and stigma"**, presenting proposals and recommendations on how the gender-based perspective could and should be an integral part of addiction treatment services. **30 people attended the event.**

GENEVA (SWITZERLAND)

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#HumanEmpowerment International awareness campaign. To mark the International Day against drug abuse and illicit trafficking, Dianova launched this campaign which aims to raise awareness of the need to promote addiction treatment services based on a holistic perspective of individual empowerment and development, and integrating a gender perspective.

The campaign was targeted at the public and private sector, who were urged to provide the necessary resources to implement programmes adapted to the needs and expectations of all people, with a special focus on the links between gender and addiction.

AUDIENCE: 1,273,458 PEOPLE FROM CHILE, SLOVENIA, SPAIN, UNITED STATES, INDIA, ITALY, KENYA, NORWAY, PAKISTAN, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND AND URUGUAY

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Meeting the needs of the most vulnerable - Participation in the Second World Health Organization Forum on Alcohol, Drugs and Addictive Behaviours. The forum was an opportunity to promote better collaboration between the organizations dedicated to alleviating the social and health problems associated with substance abuse and other addictive behaviours.

Attendance: 150 to 200 people

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June



High-Level Forum on Sustainable Development - Dianova representatives participated in this event which brought together more than 2,000 participants from governments, specialized agencies and civil society organizations, to discuss issues related to sustainable development, and more particularly to the monitoring and review of the 2030 Agenda.

Are we on the way to achieving the global objectives?

NEW YORK (USA)

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Members of the European Parliament are requested to prioritize drug-related issues - As part of an initiative of the Civil Society Forum on Drugs, Dianova made a request to the Members of the European Parliament of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety, for the integration of drug-related matters as a health priority. MEPs were also informed about the actions that should be carried out to reinforce the European Union Strategy and Action Plan on drugs.

STRASBOURG (FRANCE)

July



"The impact of gender differences in women with substance use disorder". As part of the 42nd session of the United Nations Human Rights Council, Dianova participated in a parallel event to discuss how gender differences can affect women with addiction problems. The event was conducted with representatives from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, the Geneva Platform on Human Rights, Health and Psychoactive Substances, the North-western University's School of Medicine, and the Women's UN Report Network (WUNRN). **Attended by 30 people.**

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"Good practices to remove barriers to access and continuity of treatment for women". Dianova participated in the 17th conference of the European Federation of Therapeutic Communities (EFTC) which brought together more than 500 people from 40 countries under the title "Everything Flows: Change in the Therapeutic Community for Addiction".

Dianova gave a presentation entitled "Stigma: a major obstacle in the rehabilitation of women", at a session which discussed the difficulties and needs of women in therapeutic communities. **Attended by 50 people.**

THESSALONIKI (GREECE)

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September



Representatives from the Reflection Group of Friends for Human Development (GRADH - Togo) and Slum Child Foundation (Kenya), both member organizations of the Dianova network, presented their projects at the III Formative Congress of Sustainable Development (CoDes2019).

GRADH shared its work on the experience of the "Togo Mothers' Club", a project dedicated to the empowerment of women as a tool to increase their participation in their communities' decision-making mechanisms, and Slum Child presented the "Toto Club" project, in which a group of children aged 6-15 mutually support each other to steer clear of drug consumption while advocating a healthy life style among their peers and families.

VALLADOLID (SPAIN)

Project funded through an international crowdfunding campaign

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Proposals to strengthen the EU's policies on drugs, annual meeting of the Civil Society Forum on Drugs (CSFD).

Among other issues, the annual meeting discussed the evaluation process of the EU Strategy and Action Plan on Drugs, plans to include the European Parliament in discussions on drug policies, and the planning of the four working groups for the coming years. The meeting concluded with a joint session with representatives of the Horizontal Working Party on Drugs (HDG) of the Council of the European Union, attended by representatives of the European Commission and the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction.

Participation of 40 persons in the meeting of the CSFD and 60 persons in the joint session with the HDG.

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October



"Empowering Women, Empowering Society", phase 2 of the international awareness campaign #HumanEmpowerment launched to mark the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women.

At Dianova, we believe there is an urgent need to raise awareness around the specific issues of women dealing with substance use disorders, including stigma, specific gender factors, violence and barriers to treatment and social reintegration.

16 members of the Dianova Network from Bangladesh, Chile, Slovenia, Spain, United States, India, Italy, Kenya, Nicaragua, Norway, Pakistan, Portugal, Sweden, Togo and Uruguay joined the campaign.

Audience: 1,532,450 people.

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Dianova urged CICAD to bring addiction stigma to an end

The 66th Session of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD) brought together more than 100 experts and representatives of 26 Member States of the Organization of American States. During discussions with civil society, our representative read a statement to urge member states to implement measures to do away with addiction stigma and to supplement these measures with initiatives to improve access and retention in treatment programmes, particularly for women.

MIAMI (USA)

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Novembert



Seminar organized at the European Parliament by the Civil Society Forum on Drugs (CSFD), with the aim of defending and implementing drug policy models based on the principles of public health and respect for human rights.

Representatives of the Eurochamber were informed of the current challenges posed by drug policies, and the development thereof, at the United Nations, the role of the EU within international forums and the possible channels of collaboration with the CSFD and other civil society organizations. **Attended by 40 people.**

BRUSSELS (BELGIUM)

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"Empowering women with substance use disorders and victims of gender violence" - a project developed by the Slum Child Foundation in Nairobi's Korogocho Slum (Kenya), as part of the campaign *Empowering Women Empowering Society*, with the aim of offering community support to women with substance use disorders and victims of gender violence. **The project provided a group of 20 women with training sessions to help them raise awareness among their peers** on these issues and on the specialised health support systems provided by local and international organizations operating in Kenya.

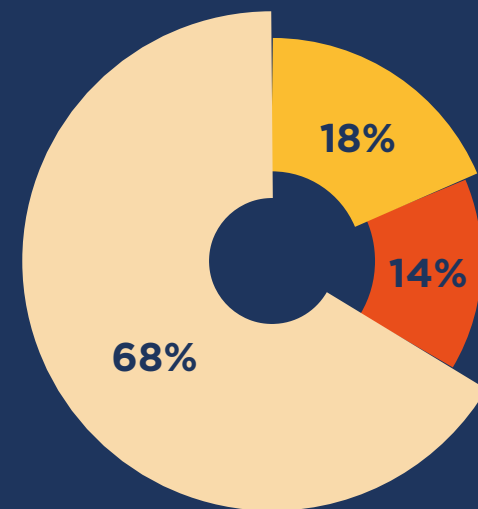
NAIROBI (KENYA)

Project funded by an international crowdfunding campaign

December

Visibility: Global Scope of Actions

- international awareness campaigns: 4,242,581
- 58 publications: 1,127,341
- 197 advocacy initiatives in 12 countries: 840,093



Estimated global audience: 6,210,015 people

The Dianova Network

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Ordinary Members

- Asociación Dianova España
- Associação Dianova Portugal
- Associazione Dianova Italia
- Dianova USA Inc.
- Fundación Dianova Chile
- Fundación Dianova Nicaragua
- Fundación Dianova Uruguay

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- Dianova Ideell Förening - Sweden
- Dianova Società Cooperativa Sociale - Italy
- Fundación Dianova España - Spain
- Fondazione Dianova Italia
- ONG Dianova Chile
- IZSATU - Izmir Sağlık Turizmi Derneği - Turkey

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- Angels in the Field (India)
- AJEAH - Association des Jeunes Engagés pour l'Action Humanitaire - Togo
- Društvo "Up" - Slovenia
- CEPA - Centrul European pentru Prevenirea Adicțiilor - Romania
- FAPE - Femmes Actives pour la Protection de l'Environnement - Democratic Republic of the Congo
- GRADH - Groupe de Réflexion des Amis pour le Développement de l'Humain - Togo
- KKAWF - Karim Khan Afridi Welfare Foundation - Pakistan
- Ray of Hope - Pakistan
- RIO - Rusmisbrukernes Interesseorganisasjon - Norway
- Slum Child Foundation - Kenya
- SPYM - Society for the Promotion of Youth and Masses - India
- Kothowain - Vulnerable People's Development Organization - Bangladesh

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