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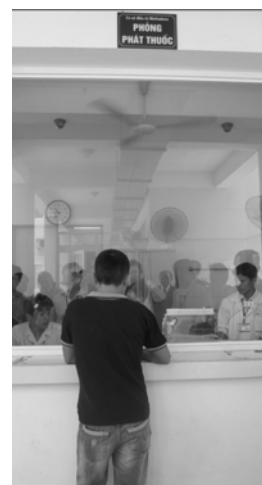
## HIV among people who inject drugs in Asia

Is the region on track with meeting global commitments on reducing HIV transmission?

While some countries in Asia report a declining or a stable HIV epidemic, others **report rapid increase in new infections, as well as an increase in the number of people living with HIV and AIDS related deaths.**

**Epidemic outbreaks among people who inject drugs are taking place** in countries that previously reported no HIV in this population!

Although a number of countries in the region are moving towards an evidence-based approach - **Of the estimated 3-4 million people who inject drugs in Asia, over 238,000 people are detained in over 1,000 compulsory centres.**



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## 2013 Harm Reduction Conference Satellite session

**Monday 10 June – 17:30 TO 19:30 at the Epsilon room**

**A session chaired by Dr. Monica Beg, Chief a.i., HIV and AIDS Section, UNODC**

- ❖ **Overview of status of epidemiology of injection drug use and HIV and current responses in Asia, Ms. Alison Crocket, Senior Adviser, UNAIDS.**
- ❖ **Priorities of the Asian Network of People who Use Drugs, Ms. Ruth Birgin, Vice Chair, Asian Network of People who Use Drugs.**
- ❖ **Regional Overview of Opioid Substitution Treatment in South-East Asia, Mr. Gary Reid, Independent Consultant.**
- ❖ **Phasing out drug detention centres in East and South East Asia, Ms. Anne Bergenstrom, Regional Adviser, HIV/AIDS, UNODC (Regional Office for Southeast Asia).**