

Sri Suryawati (Indonesia) elected as member of the International Narcotics Control Board

VIENNA, 26 April (UN Information Service) – The Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) elected Professor Sri Suryawati (Indonesia) as a member of the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB).

The election by secret ballot was held at the organizational session of ECOSOC in New York on 25 April 2013 to fill the vacancy for the remaining period of the five year term of Professor Hamid Ghodse, member of the Board, who passed away on 27 December 2012.

In line with the provisions of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, Professor Suryawati was elected from among three candidates nominated by the World Health Organization (WHO) to fill the remainder of the term until 1 March 2017.

During her career, Ms. Suryawati has served in various capacities, among them:

Head, Department of Clinical Pharmacology, Faculty of Medicine, Gadjah Mada University (1998-present); Executive Board, International Network for the Rational Use of Drugs (since 2005); WHO Advisory Panel on Medicine Policy and Management (since 1999); Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (2007-2012), Second-Vice President/Chair of the Standing Committee on Estimates (2010); Global Advisory Group in Good Governance in Medicines (2006-2010); WHO Expert Committee for the Selection and Use of Essential Medicines (2002, 2003, 2005, 2007); WHO Expert Committee for the Medicines Causing Dependency (2002, 2006); United Nations Millennium Development Goal Task Force 5 on Access to Essential Medicines (2001-2005); Consultant in essential medicine programme and promoting rational use of medicines, e.g., in Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Fiji, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mongolia, Philippines (2001-2009); Consultant in medicine policy and drug evaluation, including in Cambodia, China, Indonesia and Viet Nam (2003-2007).

Members of the INCB serve in their personal capacity, not as Government representatives.

Ms. Suryawati holds a doctoral degree (Ph.D.) from Gadjah Mada University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia.