
B) Precursors Incident Communication System (PICS)

The Board encourages all Governments to **register PICS** focal points for their **relevant national authorities** involved in precursor control, such as national regulatory, law enforcement, customs and drug control agencies, and to actively use the system to communicate all incidents involving precursor chemicals with a view to **enhancing intelligence-sharing**.

(AR/2012/R15)

Governments are encouraged to make full use of this secure online system (**PICS**) to **facilitate communication and operational cooperation** on precursor incidents.

(PRE/2014/P35)

INCB commends all **PICS** users that **share information** on individual precursor incidents with **sufficient operational detail** to allow the users of other countries involved in an **incident to initiate requisite follow-up investigations** with a view to not only bring to justice those behind the specific incident in question but also to deny traffickers access to chemicals using similar modi operandi in the future.

(PRE/2016/P46) (PRE/2015/P47)
(PRE/2014/P79) (PRE/2014/P143)
(PRE/2012/P151) (PRE/2013/P85)

INCB welcomes the measures to address new developments in precursor trafficking taken by Governments at the national level. However, INCB also wishes to highlight once again the **importance of the early sharing of information** about emerging chemicals and new trends in precursor trafficking at the global level and encourages all Governments to make better use of **PICS** and the form D for this purpose.

(PRE/2016/P169) (PRE/2013/P85)

INCB commends those Governments that provided information about non-scheduled substances on form D and encourages them to consider making better use of **PICS** for the early sharing of such information worldwide. This applies in particular to the **Netherlands** (accounting for more than 30 per cent of all incidents in 2015 and 2016) and other **European countries**, which thus **provided a starting point for follow-up and operational cooperation**, and **helped to raise awareness of new developments**.

(PRE/2016/P96) (PRE/2016/P117)
(PRE/2013/P76)

As those countries (**Botswana, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Namibia and Zimbabwe**) are currently not registered to use **PICS**, the Board encourages the Governments of those countries to **register their relevant law enforcement and regulatory agencies with PICS** and to provide confirmation of incidents occurring on their territory without delay.

(PRE/2013/P53)
