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Online Side Event at the 64th Session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs - [Click here to join](#)

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Organized by Slovenia with the support of the International Association of Lions Clubs, the Institute for Research and Development "Utrip", and the UNODC Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Section

Recent findings show that social and emotional learning is of key importance in the successful early prevention. This event will provide an insight into core competence areas and key settings of social and emotional learning.

Social and emotional learning principles have progressed in the last decade in terms of research and practical tools for different target groups. We have witnessed development in parenting skills programs, where early prevention starts in kindergarten, and in school-based prevention interventions and programs that strengthen schoolchildren's personal and social skills.

Panellists will discuss the perspectives of preventive health care and health education and the need to scale up these services for all key target groups: pregnant women, parents, children and adolescents.

The discussion will motivate a conversation on how to provide a systemic approach to prevention at several levels within educational, social and health systems, among all relevant stakeholders and around the globe.

Moderator:

Permanent Representative of Slovenia to the UN, OSCE and other International Organizations in Vienna, **H.E. Ambassador Barbara Žvokelj**

Panellists:

- UNODC Prevention, Treatment & Rehabilitation Section: **Wadih Maalouf** - Epidemiologist, Biostatistician, Global Programme Coordinator at UNODC
- Lions Clubs International Foundation: **Matthew Kiefer** - Global Programme Manager, Lions Quest Educational Programmes
- National Institute of Public Health: **Vesna Pucelj** - National coordinator of health education for children
- Utrip Institute: **Sanela Talić** - General Secretary and Project Coordinator at Institute Utrip
- **Breda Jelen Sobočan**, MD - Psychiatrist and Psychotherapist



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