# upcoming ISCTE-IUL–EMCDDA SUMMER SCHOOL: 30 JUNE TO 11 JULY 2014

## Registration opens for third European drugs summer school

(15.1.2014, LISBON) The **University Institute of Lisbon (ISCTE-IUL)** and the **EU drugs agency (EMCDDA)** will be joining forces again in July 2014 to hold the third European summer school on ‘Illicit drugs in Europe: demand, supply and public policies’ (1). Registration opens today for the two-week course, which will take place in the Portuguese capital from 30 June to 11 July (2). The initiative is also supported by the **US National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)**(3).

Through a multidisciplinary and interactive approach, EMCDDA scientific experts and ISCTE-IUL-professors, along with leading academics, guest speakers and policymakers, will prepare participants to meet the complex policy challenges in this field.

Week 1 of the summer school focuses on ‘Defining the problems’ and will feature lectures on: problem drug use in Europe; drug supply in Europe; and detecting new drugs. Week 2 explores ‘Understanding drug policies and interventions’, with lectures on: (inter)national drug policies; prison health; preventing drug use; and harm reduction. The course will end with a debate on the future of national and European drug policies.

‘Keynote lectures’, a feature premiered at the 2013 summer school, will be continued in 2014 with a new line-up of speakers scheduled to address the students.

The first two summer schools in 2012 and 2013 brought together around 60 students from over 15 EU Member States, as well as countries from Asia and Latin America. Profiles of former alumni and their testimonials can be found on the official summer school website and their statements viewed in a promotional video (4). In 2014, students will again be able to apply for scholarships and ‘Early-bird’ reductions are available (5).

**Promotional video**

A promotional video is available at: <http://youtu.be/BjCSe0L-en8>

**Notes**

(1) For more on the European drugs summer school (EDSS), see [www.drugsummerschool.cies.iscte-iul.pt/np4/home](http://www.drugsummerschool.cies.iscte-iul.pt/np4/home). Follow the EDSS on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/EDSSLisbon>. Subscribe to the EDSS update (newsletter) at <http://eepurl.com/L7Au1>

(2) Registration Phase 1: 15 January–15 March 2014 (discount for registration in this phase). Registration Phase 2: 15 March–15 June 2014. Limit: 50 participants.

(3) <http://www.drugabuse.gov/international>

(4) See testimonials at [www.drugsummerschool.cies.iscte-iul.pt/np4/31/](http://www.drugsummerschool.cies.iscte-iul.pt/np4/31/) (2012) and [www.drugsummerschool.cies.iscte-iul.pt/np4/33/](http://www.drugsummerschool.cies.iscte-iul.pt/np4/33/) (2013).

(5) For information on scholarships, fees and ‘Early-bird’ reductions, see: [www.drugsummerschool.cies.iscte-iul.pt/np4/23/](http://www.drugsummerschool.cies.iscte-iul.pt/np4/23/)