Curriculum Vitae

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Profile

For over 25 years a career detective in the Metropolitan Police Service, London, with an internationally acknowledged expertise in UK drug policy, legislation and policing strategies. A tenacious investigator with an impressive operational background with over 400 arrests to his credit including 30 "off-duty" crime arrests. Extensive experience in working with international organisations, government departments, law enforcement agencies as well as with institutions and agencies concerned with drugs demand reduction and treatment programmes. Has represented the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) and the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) in many national and international forums and has chaired workshops at major conferences in a number of countries including: UK, Italy, France, Australia, Kenya and Russia. The ACPO and the MPS by way of commendations and letters of appreciation have formally acclaimed his work. Academics have also recognised his achievements and he is on the editorial board of the international journal Substance Use and Misuse, and a member of the Middle Eastern and Mediterranean Summer Institute on Drugs Use (MEMSIDU). In July 2003 he became a member of the international advisory council for Centre for the Study of the Contemporary Criminal Menace, Paris, France. He is also a board member of TACADE (a Manchester based charity specialising in alcohol and drug education materials and training). His recent secondment to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) in Moscow places him in an position to help further UNODC's efforts to combat HIV/AIDS and drug misuse in the Russian Federation. Experienced in public speaking, presenting evidence before expert committees, and making presentations in training establishments he is also the author of a number of published articles and authoritative technical documents.