



D3S program seminar series

« Ouvertures »



Brazilian drug policy at a crossroad?

Dilemmas and opportunities in a changing regional context on cannabis markets



Friday, 18th November 2022
2.30 - 4 pm (CET- Paris)

Kicking its new cycle 2022-2024, [D3S Program](#) "Drugs, social sciences and societies" of EHESS/INSERM, with the support of IReSP, is launching a new seminar series called "Ouvertures", dedicated to international research and emerging issues related to illicit drugs.

On this occasion, D3S program is honored to welcome distinguished guest speakers who have followed and played prominent role in the construction of Brazilian drug policies.

- **Luiz de Paiva**, Centre for the Study of Liberty and Authoritarianism (LAUT), former head of Secretariat on Drug policy, Ministry of Justice (under Dilma Rousseff's administration)
- **Paulo Pereira**, Associate professor, and coordinator of the International Drug Policy Research Group of NETS - Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo, Brazil

Amid a composite regional drug policy landscape, including those related to cannabis use, Brazil has followed a highly conservative and repressive anti-drug line. Opposed to initiatives to decriminalize certain types of substance uses, including medical uses, the incumbent president, Jair Bolsonaro, has implemented a militarized drug war, ruling out harm reduction and cross-sectoral management attempts adopted in the past.

As President-elect Luiz Inácio Lula is back to power, and in a regional context of political reflection on drugs and notably on regulated cannabis markets, the future of drug policies remains unresolved in the country. Our two speakers will review the major political developments in one of the main gateways of international drug trafficking to Europe and will share their thoughts on the challenges and opportunities ahead for Brazil, particularly in the light of legislative and political developments in the regulation of cannabis markets in the South American region.

The panel will be in English, and will take place in a hybrid format, both in Paris at the EHESS, 54 boulevard Raspail 75006 Paris and online.

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