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We take action through advocacy at all level
including social engineering, partnership and collective action.
We work to upgrade policies and practices.





INTRODUCTION

Cannabis policies are getting transformed all around the world. Businesses are springing up and, from Thailand to Canada and from Lesotho to France, societies are getting prepared to change their approach and relation with this mighty plant and its multiple applications.

However, international regulations on cannabis are still incoherent and outdated, as the United Nations international Treaties still consider Cannabis as a harmful drug without medical value.

At its Special Session on the world drug phenomenon (UNGASS 2016), the UN General Assembly requested all interested parties (civil society, academia, the private sector, and affected populations), to scale-up their involvement in the design and update of International drug policies.

A year later the UN Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND) reiterated this demand, explicitly calling for the provision of inputs to the key High-Level Segment of the 62nd CND in March 2019.

The International Cannabis Policy Conference directly answers these requests, through the gathering of affected and interested parties to provide substantive contributions on future policies and regulations on Cannabis, in line with the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

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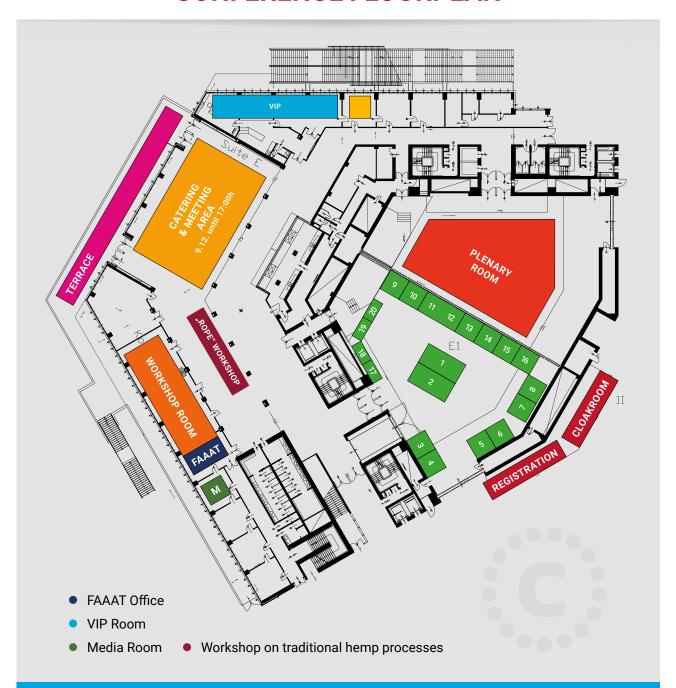








CONFERENCE FLOORPLAN



Exhibitors list

- 3. Knowmad
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- 6. Encod
- 7. Medihemp 8. Hanffarm
- 9. Ziva Fiber
- 10. Cannabis Trades
 Association UK
 11. & 12. Endoca

- 13. Bluebird14. Elixinol15. Göttergarten Swiss 16. Deep Nature Project17. IHBA18. SSDP

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FRIDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2018 DAY

VIENNA INTERNATIONAL CENTER | United Nations Headquarters | Mozart Room (Building F, ground floor)

9<u>h 0</u>0 13h 00

United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs reconvened 61st session.

Special UN ground pass required

13<u>h</u> 30 15h 00 SPECIAL UNITED NATIONS EVENT CANNABIS: NEXT STEPS FOR CND.

After WHO recommendations and the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda: How to build a new international consensus on cannabis policy.

Special UN ground pass required

CANNABIS & WHO

Michael Krawitz (USA, FAAAT think & do tank)

Dr. Franjo Grotenhermen (Germany, IACM)

CANNABIS & SDGs

Kenzi Riboulet-Zemouli

(Spain, FAAAT think & do tank)

Robert Hoban (USA, Hoban Law Group)



FRIDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2018 EVENNING

NH Hotel | Danube City

18h 00 21h 00

WELCOME RECEPTION **DIPLOMATIC COCKTAIL.**Special VIP pass required





SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2018 MORNING

PLENARY ROOM

8h 15 8h 30

OPENING

Michael Krawitz (USA, FAAAT think & do tank)

8h 30 10h 00

FROM ERADICATION TO PROPAGATION. **CANNABIS AND THE ENVIRONMENT: EMERGING INDUSTRY STANDARDS** AND BEST PRACTICES.

How can hemp help combat climate change and provide solutions for bettering the environment?

KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS

Boaz Wachtel (Israel, CresoPharma)

Tony Silvaggio (USA, Humboldt University) Ryan Stoa (USA, Concordia University)

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Amy King

(Mexico, FAAAT think & do tank) moderation

Carl Martel

(Canada, Advanced Hemp Technologies)

Steve Allin (Ireland, International Hemp Building Association)

Hanka Gabrielová

(Czech republic, FAAAT think & do tank)

















30'

PAUSE | COFFEE BREAK

10h 30 12h 30

PANEL #2

CANNABIS REVOLUTION FROM A SOCIO- ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVE. LESSONS LEARNED AND FUTURE CHALLENGES OF THE GLOBAL CANNABIS MARKETS.

and hemp markets, and the ethics of legalization (fair trade, minorities,

Simon Anderfuhren-Biget

(Switzerland, Cannareg.ch) intro/moderation

KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS

Robert Hoban (USA, Hoban Law Group)

Patricia Amiguet (Spain, CatFAC)

Kenza Afsahi (France, Bordeaux University)

Jonathan Newman (UK, Sussex University)

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Michalis Theodoropoulos

(Greece, Kannabio)

Jonathan Zaid (Canada, Aurora) TBC. Manu Caddie (New-Zealand, Hikurangi)























90'

PAUSE





SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2018 AFTERNOON

PLENARY ROOM

14<u>h</u> 00 15h 30

PANEL #3 WOMEN & CANNABIS.

From seed to sale, achieving gender equality. Learning from women's leadership in the Cannabis industry, and outlining the disproportionate impact of prohibition on women and girls.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Amy King (Mexico, Cannabis Woman

Magazine) introduction

Myrtle Clarke (South Africa, Fields of Green for All) moderation TBC.

Daniela Kreher (Germany, Knowmad Institut)

Patty Amiguet (Spain, REMA) Chrystal Ortiz (USA, ICFA)









15h 30 17h 00

PANEL #4 SUSTAINABLE USES & DELIVERY METHODS.

Harm reduction consumption patterns use delivery devices, product safety, cannabinoids, analysis, ratios & concentrates.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Dr Sergio Sánchez-Bustos

(Chile, Latinoamérica Reforma) moderation

Òscar Parés Franquero (Spain, ICEERS) **Dr Olivier Bertrand** (France, NORML France)

Michelle Thiessen (Canada, CSSDP)









15'

PAUSE

SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2018 EVENING

PLENARY ROOM

17<u>h</u> 15 19h 00

PANEL #5

BETWEEN TRADITIONAL AND PERSONALIZED MEDICINE: SUSTAINABLE HEALTH SYSTEMS, POLICIES & SETTINGS TO ENSURE ACCESS TO CANNABIS MEDICINES.

efficiently medical Cannabis, in particular herbal preparations or extracts? To what extent are Cannabis and cannabinoid medicines suitable for our health systems?

KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

 $\textbf{\textit{Dr Franjo Grotenhermen}} \ (\text{Germany, IACM})$

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Michael Krawitz (USA, FAAAT think & do

tank) moderation

 $\textbf{\textit{Pavel Pachta}} \ (\texttt{Czech republic}, \ \texttt{ICCI})$

Dr Catherine Ritter (Switzerland, Federal

Office of Public Health)

Manu Sareen (Denmark, Endoca Foundation)

Dr Ilya Reznik (Israel, IACM)











15'

PAUSE





SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2018 **EVENING**

PLENARY ROOM

19<u>h</u> 15 20h 45 PANEL #6
ACADEMIC SYNTHESIS OF THE DAY
BALANCING CANNABIS POLICIES
IN A POST-PROHIBITION ERA.

PANEL #6
CLOSING ROUNDTABLE
REFORMING CANNABIS & HEMP
POLICIES TO MEET THE 17
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS.

KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

Dominic Corva

(USA, Center for Cannabis and Social Policy)

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

Jindrich Voboril (Czech republic, former Drug Policy Coordinator)

Ethan Nadelmann (USA)

Dr. Svatopluk Němeček (Czech republic,

former Minister of Health)

Other speakers announced online.









21h 00

CLOSURE

SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2018 **EVENNING**

Place: The View restaurant

21h 00 00h 00

INTERNATIONAL CANNABIS POLICY CONFERENCE VIP NETWORKING EVENTSpecial access required

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SUNDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2018 **MORNING**

PLENARY ROOM

09<u>h</u> 30 10h 00

OPENING & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

10<u>h</u> 00 11h 30 PANEL #7
STANDARDS AND NORMS
FOR CANNABIS CULTIVATION,
TRANSFORMATION AND TRADE:
A MULTIDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVE
FOR SUSTAINABLE MARKETS.

Steph Sherer (USA, ICCI) moderation Lezli Engelking (USA, FOCUS) Chrystal Ortiz (USA, ICFA)

Lea Leibundgut (Switzerland, SNV) TBC **Nic Easley** (USA, Americans for Safe Access)

Jakub Gajewski

(Poland, NGO Wolne Konopie)





















11<u>h</u> 30 13h 30



INTERNATIONAL CANNABUSINESS AWARDS

Nominee presentations

Mariela Hernández Moraga (Chile, Latinoamérica Reforma) MC

90'

LUNCH PAUSE







SUNDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2018 AFTERNOON

PLENARY ROOM

WORKSHOP ROOM

15h 00 15h 50

CANNABIS & ELDERLY PEOPLE: HARM REDUCTION, HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE.

(Czech republic, ICCI) introduction

Dr. Philippe Lucas (Canada, Tilray)



HEMP, RENEWABLE RESOURCE FOR **INDUSTRIES.**



Energy, graphene, plastic, concrete... these revolutionary materials and commodities



Tomas Sadilek (Czech republic, ICCI) moderation



Sergiy Kovalenkov (Ukraine/USA, Hempire) Steve Allin



(UK, Int. Hemp Building Association)

Hanka Gabrielová

(Czech republic, Hempoint)



10'

PAUSE



SPECIAL EVENT

Dr. Pavel Kubu

Launch of the KNOWMAD INSTITUT and presentation of its HUMAN RIGHTS AND DRUG **POLICIES PROGRAMME.**

& monitoring of the state of human dignity and drug policies on the international level.



CANNABIS AND HARM REDUCTION: A YOUTH PERSPECTIVE.







Martini Meinreiß

(Germany, Knowmad Institut) intro.

Daniela Kreher

(Germany, Knowmad Institut)

Martín Diaz

(El Salvador, Knowmad Institut)

Dr. Sergio Sánchez-Bustos

(Chile, Knowmad Institut)



Orsi Feher (Austria, SSDP) introduction

Michelle Thiessen (Canada, CSSDP)

Jessica Steinberg (UK, Oxford PhD student, entOURage network)

16h 50 17h 20

POSTER PRESENTATION

Absence of Afrikan law & presence of colonial laws in the recent cannabis judgment in South Africa.

PAUSE | COFFEE BREAK





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PLENARY ROOM

WORKSHOP ROOM



CASE STUDY #4
BETWEEN TRADITIONS AND
TRANSITION:
A SOUTH-NORTH DIALOGUE.

Martin Díaz (El Salvador, Knowmad Institut) **moderation**

Kenza Afsahi

(France, Bordeaux University)

Julian Stobbs (South Africa, Fields of Green for All)

Thomas Michael Kloepfer (USA, Hiroshima University)



CASE STUDY #5 | PHYSICIANS WORKSHOI CANNABIS vs OPIOID USE DISORDER.















Dr. Ilya Reznik (Israel, IACM) introduction
Dr. Philippe Lucas (Canada, Tilray)
Dr. Ethan Russo (USA, ICCI)

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PLENARY ROOM



PANEL #8
CLOSING ROUNDTABLE
BLOCKCHAIN, CANNABIS &
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

What approaches to cannabis policy reform in the context of emerging technologies and the blockchain revolution?

Graham De Barra (Ireland, Festy / Knowmad Institut)

Martin Díaz (El Salvador, Knowmad Institut)

Jerome McCormick (Ireland, Help Not Harm)

Other speakers announced online.













CLOSING WORDS

Kenzi Riboulet Zemouli (Spain, FAAAT think & do tank)

45'

PAUSE





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NGO PARTNERS















































































































































IN COFFEE CORNER HALL







Kenza Afsahi

Kenza Afsahi was born in Rabat, Morocco, where she spent her first twenty years. She is a lecturer in sociology at the University of Bordeaux and a researcher at the Emile Durkheim Center (CNRS) in France. She is co-leader of the Sociologie research axis of the International at the Emile Durkheim Center and member of the editorial board of the French Journal of Visual Methods (Revue Française des Méthodes Visuelles). She is also associated with the Center for Sociological Research on Law and Penal Institutions (CNRS). At the University of Bordeaux, she teaches the sociology of deviance, the sociology of the cannabis market, visual sociology, issues of women's involvement in the drug market and environmental crime.

Steve Allin

Teacher, Writer and Activist. Steve has enthusiastically pioneered and promoted the use of Hemp as a building material since 1997 when he first used it on his own home which he was in the process of constructing. He furthered his involvement when he wrote the first book on the subject "Building with Hemp"in 2005 after being deluged with requests for information. He has subsequently gone on the form the international Hemp Building Association in 2009 and has worked as a consultant focussing on establishing hemp production and use as a building material in many parts of the world including, Costa Rica, Baltic States, Scandinavia, Haiti, Nepal, the USA and from his home in Ireland. The is often a speaker at conferences and is currently working on a new book featuring Hemp Building projects.

Patricia Amiguet

In 2011 she founded the Cannabis Association of Self-Consumption Pachamama, of which she is currently the secretary.

Current president of the Federation of Cannabis Associations of Catalonia (CatFAC), Foundress and component of the Motor Group of REMA, (State Network of Anti-Prohibition Women in Drug Matters) and member of the CAB (Council of Associations of Barcelona).

She works and struggles day by day for the normalization and comprehensive regulation of cannabis and for a change in current prohibitive and punitive drug policies that have miserably failed.

Olivier Bertrand (MD)

40 years old, general practitioner since 2010, author of a thesis exploring the perceptions of his colleagues on alcohol, cannabis and tobacco in 2014, being a capacity in the field of addiction since 2018. Longtime activist for a reform of the laws towards hemp, he already developed cannabis risk reduction measures in the 2000s in association with CIRC Nord-est. As a co-founder of the Chanvre et Libertés association in 2014 with Kenzi Riboulet (FAAAT), which evolved to NORML France in September 2017, Bertrand, MD is in charge of coordinating the structure, but also human resources, training and health issues. Its objectives are to promote scientific research on phytocannabinoids, to educate the population on hemp and its uses, to support medical users as well as those with problematic use. He is also committed to gathering the civil society around scientifically supported advocacy about the benefits of cannabis regulation both at the societal and medical levels.

Manu Caddie

Manu Caddie's background is in community development and his foreground is focused on research and IP development for a dozen natural health products including GMP pharma cannabinoids and the first medical cannabis product grown, clinically trialled, manufactured, licensed in and exported from New Zealand.





Myrtle Clarke & Julian Stobbs

Myrtle Clarke and Julian Stobbs are responsible for South Africa's only Cannabis legalisation NGO, Fields of Green for ALL. They are affectionately known as "The Dagga Couple", Dagga being the local word for Cannabis. After being arrested in their home in 2010 on charges of possession and dealing in Cannabis, they embarked on a legal challenge to change the South African Cannabis laws. Their trial, dubbed "The Trial of the Plant" started in 2017 but was postponed due to the court running out of time. In September 2018 Julian & Myrtle intervened in another case in the Constitutional Court of South Africa. This resulted in a judgement that allows for the cultivation and possession of Cannabis for personal use by adults in private spaces. The SA government was given two years to change the law. This is, however, not the end of the story. Myrtle & amp; Julian's case is ongoing as they are still faced with charges of "dealing" and all trade in Cannabis in South Africa remains prohibited. In the 8 years since their arrest, Julian and Myrtle have fought for evidence to be heard around all uses of the Cannabis plant and on behalf of all citizens. With its world renowned constitution and massive unregulated market, South Africa is uniquely placed to craft regulations that work for its people in a sustainable way. This is why The Dagga Couple have taken their story around the world, gathering inspiration from both developed and "developing" countries in order to help civil society in their country find its voice and make it heard. Fields of Green for ALL!

Dominic Corva (PhD.)

Dominic Corva, MD is the Founder and Executive Director of the Center for the Study of Cannabis and Social Policy (CASP). He is an Associate Faculty member of Humboldt State University's Department of Sociology, the institution where he has been an Affiliate Researcher for the Humboldt Institute for Interdisciplinary Cannabis Research for the last six years. He is the co-editor for the forthcoming (December 2019) Routledge Handbook of Interdisciplinary Cannabis Research. He leads The Cannabis Alliance's legislative committee to vacate cannabis convictions and is the producer of the Original Terpestival, the first terpene-focused Cannabis Whole Plant popular education and craft product fair.

Graham De Barra

Described as a mover and shaker; Graham has launched social campaigns and founded several tech startups. With a passion for systems reform, Graham strives to remove inefficient bureaucratic layers from the fabric of society and increase transparency around governance issues with decentralisation. Graham previously worked for the Council of Europe where he underwent research on the entire case law of the European Court of Human Rights in relation to drug offences. His research was published on the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights website.

Graham regularly presents issues of human rights and blockchain at conferences around the World. Having been featured on Forbes, RTÉ Prime Time, Vice News, Silicon Republic, Cointelegraph, thejournal.ie, Newstalk, and RTÉ 2 "Reality Bites", Graham holds the ability to present social and political concepts to the mass media through the narrative of storytelling. Graham consulted on the Education and Prevention Committee to the National Drugs Strategy (2017 – 2024) which adopted his recommendations for evidence-based education and drug testing at festivals. The first welfare service of its kind for an Irish festival was introduced at Electric Picnic in 2016 by Help Not Harm where Graham was the Executive Director.





Graham holds a LL.M in international human rights law, B.A in philosophy and was awarded a full academic scholarship to the Central European University summer school. During his studies, Graham founded Ireland's first Students for Sensible Drug Policy university society, first in UCC and then in NUI Galway. Graham chaired the largest medical cannabis conference in the European Parliament which featured medical practitioners and governments across the EU and the rest of the world. Graham hosted the Global Medical Cannabis conference which was a catalyst to Ireland's medical cannabis programme. Graham's current interest focuses on bringing cryptocurrency and decentralisation to the masses.

Martin Díaz Velasquez

Co-Founder & CEO of Knowmad Institut

Experience: Human Rights & Drug Policy Advocacy at United Nations, Open Source Software Advocacy, Communications and new media; Research, Event organization, Public Relations, Interreligious Relations and international Networking

Nic Easley

As a Veteran of the U.S. Air Force Nic Easley personally experienced the therapeutic value of the cannabis plant. This combined with 15 years of agricultural experience and a degree in Biology and Environment Studies inspired him to enter the cannabis industry. Having started his work in the industry in Colorado's early medical market and since expanded into 30 U.S. states and 13 countries, I've witnessed the numerous pitfalls experienced by cannabis entrepreneurs across the industry. He has also seen the environmental and social travesties related to poor cultivation, extraction and manufacturing techniques; including the safety hazards attributed to the widespread use of pesticides. As pioneers and leaders in the cannabis industry, Nic thinks there is a great responsibility to ensure that they don't pursue profits at the expense of the environment or our society.

Lezli Engelking

With a distinguished professional career spanning more than two decades, Ms. Engelking has considerable experience in pharmaceuticals, government relations, mental health, and nonprofit industries. Her twelve-year tenure with Eli Lilly and Company was the perfect foundation for her next role as Executive Director of the first vertically integrated medical cannabis chain in Phoenix, Arizona. Her first- hand experience working in the unregulated cannabis industry led Ms. Engelking to found FOCUS, The Cannabis Health & Safety Organization, in 2014.

Hanka Gabrielová

Hanka Gabrielová is a 20 year veteran in the hemp and cannabis industry. Her career spans the gamut of policy, NGO and for-profit organizations. She has led advocacy and policy initiatives both in the EU and international arenas. She is the CEO of company Hempoint which grows and processes organic hemp flowers and distributes a variety of hemp food products. They also distribute hemp seeds for farmers and offer consulting. Hana uses Hempoint as a vehicle for her policy work with various non profit organizations including EIHA, FAAAT, KOPAC and IMCPC. Additionally Hana is working on the development of cannabis industry standards with ICCI on a project called Patient Focused Certification. In 2018 she become president of CzecHemp cluster.





Jakub Gajewski

Jakub Gajewski is co-founder of Wolne Konopie (Free Hemp Association), educating society about cannabis legalization in Poland for 15 years.

Franjo Grotenhermen (MD)

Franjo Grotenhermen, MD, born in 1957, academic studies of medicine at the University of Cologne. He is running a medical practice, mainly devoted to the medical use of cannabis and cannabinoids. Grotenhermen, MD is founder and chairman of the German Association for Cannabis as Medicine (ACM), founder and executive director of the International Association for Cannabinoid Medicines (IACM) (www.cannabismed.org). He is editor of the IACM-Bulletin, which is published bi-weekly in several languages. He is a principal of the nova-Institute based near Cologne and author of many articles, books and book chapters on the therapeutic potential, pharmacology and toxicology of the cannabinoids.

Mariela Hernández Moraga

Journalist and Magister in institutional, educational and globalization communication. Executive Director of Latinoamérica Reforma foundation, in Chile, an advocacy NGO for a better Drug Policy and support the cannabis access, working with physicians, lawyers, users, producers and social groups. Trained by Harm reduction Coalition in New York and speaker for the Vienna NGO Committee at 2017 and 2018, at CND.

Robert (Bob) Hoban

Bob Hoban is the Managing Partner at Hoban Law Group, the US premier cannabusiness law firm, with attorneys in over a dozen states and abroad. Bob is recognized as one of the leading commercial cannabis practitioners nationwide; representing private and publicly-held clients in numerous states and abroad. He has litigated nearly every aspect of Colorado's Marijuana Code and has closed over 300 marijuana-related business transactions. Marijuana and hemp-based business operations, related litigation and regulatory counsel are a specialty.

Bob is formerly a professor at the University of Denver, in the Law and Society Program, and regularly instructs regarding government regulations, public policy, and research-based policy courses. Furthermore, Bob has drafted more than 30 bills for the Colorado General Assembly (eminent domain/land use, hemp/marijuana and transportation).

Bob is currently a member of the Colorado Department of Agriculture's Industrial Hemp Advisory Committee, as well as Board Member/strategic advisor for New Frontier Data and Athletes for Care. He is a member of the National Cannabis Industry Association, National Hemp Association, Hemp Industries Association, and the National Cannabis Chamber of Commerce. Since 2010, Bob has been rated as "Superb" by Avvo.com. Since 2013, Bob has been rated AV® Preeminent™ by Martindale-Hubbard.

Amy C. King

Amy Case King is FAAAT associate, and founder of Delta 9 Mexico, a company dedicated to the advancement of cannabis policies and scientific research in Mexico. She has spent a number of years as a patient advocate and policy advisor to the passage of medical cannabis laws in a number of US States. She is a certified Holistic cannabis practitioner from the Holistic Cannabis Academy.

Ms. King is a member of the US Pain Foundation, an organization that serves to empower, educate and advocate for people living with chronic conditions that cause pain.





She serves as a board member for We Are Rare, where she works closely with leading medical physicians to investigate, support and educate about rare brain disorders, such as Schizencephaly, Plagiocephaly, Microcephaly /Hydrocephalus/macrocephalic disorders, Lissencephaly and traumatic brain injury prior to birth.

As a patient advocate and a person living with chronic pain and disease herself, Amy has provided direct and written testimony to the WHO for their expert investigation into Cannabis Sativa. She has also provided intervention to the UNDOC.

She is an avid supporter for the acceptance of industrial cannabis to be used in the daily lives of people around the world for food, clothing and shelter. She also hopes to see Cannabis Sativa as a botanical monograph under the WHO as a Traditional, complementary and integrative medicine.

Thomas Michael Kloepfer

Thomas Michael Kloepfer is PhD candidate at Hiroshima University. He's researching in the fields of environmental economics and sustainable development: focus regions include Japan and Nepal.

In conjunction with his research, he's passionate for farming in the inland Sea of Japan by utilizing learned and observed concepts to practice regenerative agricultural, creating an abundance of food, ideas, and resources for his family and community.

Sergiy Kovalenkov

Founder and Managing partner of Hempire, Sergei has been using Hemp for construction projects since 2009. Sergei is seen as one of the top experts in the world with regard to this industry and is continually being invited to talk around the world on the subject. Hempire in 2017 won several International awards, including the EBRD Climate Innovation Award.

Michael Krawitz

A disabled United States Air Force Veteran [Sergeant, 1981 – 1986]. Michael Krawitz serves as Executive director of Veterans For Medical Cannabis Access [VMCA] as well as other board and advisory roles. After California's 1996 Proposition 215 Michael observed that cannabis used as a palliative adjunct pain treatment to opiates not only produced better pain relief but also significantly lowered the number of pain pills used. Michael identified the emerging use of so-called "pain contracts" as a policy that would eventually make it impossible for patients to use cannabis as an adjunct medication and therefore lose any associated opiate overdose and suicide reduction. With the help of Michael's intervention, the VA has revised its pain management system removing the "pain contracts" in favor of a policy based upon informed consent. Leading VMCA Michael successfully negotiated the first ever VA medical cannabis policy in 2010 and has since overseen the nationwide effort to add Post Traumatic Stress as a qualifying condition under state medical marijuana access laws. Currently Michael is a leader of the working group on medicinal access to cannabis in the final stages of the Critical- Review process of the World Health Organization Expert Committee on Drug Dependence.

Daniela Kreher

Co-Founder & President of Knowmad Institut

Experience: International drug policy and cannabis research; Project management; Interreligious Relations and international Networking





Pavel Kubu (MD)

Pavel Kubu MD is the expert in the fields of medical informatics and addictology. In 2001, graduated in general medicine with a focus on diseases prevention at Charles University in Prague, 3rd Medical Faculty.

Since 2005 to 2015 worked for Intel Corporation as the Business Development Manager leading projects of for Healthcare and Education in Central and Eastern Europe. In 2006 appointed as chairman of the Ethical Commission of the National Monitoring Center for Drugs and Drug abuse.

2015 became co-founder of International Cannabis and Cannabinoids Institute, which is focused on clinical research and development of medical cannabis treatment methods, evaluation on quality of cannabis products, CME and development of new care models modulating endocannabinoid system.

Lea Leibundgut

Program Manager at SNV (Schweizerische Normen-Vereinigung / Swiss Standardization Association)

Philippe Lucas

Philippe Lucas PhD(c) is Vice President, Global Patient Research & Director from 2008-2011. Philippe has received an uthorized medical cannabis production, research and distribution company based in Nanaimo, BC, Vice-Chair of the Cannabis Canada Council, and a Graduate Researcher with the Canadian Institute for Substance Use Research. His scientific research includes the therapeutic use of cannabis in the treatment of mental health conditions and addiction, and he has been invited to provide expert testimony before the Canadian House of Commons, the Canadian Senate, and the BC Supreme Court. Philippe first became involved with medical cannabis as a patient, and founded the Vancouver Island Compassion Society in 1999 to serve the needs of patients who might benefit from the medical use of cannabis. He is extremely community involved, and served as a Victoria City Councillor and Regional Director from 2008-2011. Philippe has received a number of accolades and awards for his work, including the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal (2013) for his work and research on medical cannabis.

Carl Martel

Carl Martel is an independent scientist researching in the field of industrial hemp since 2010. Formally trained as a geoarchaeologist with degrees in Interdisciplinary Science. He has worked with a number of hemp companies across Canada and Australia. Co-inventor of a grain disinfection system deployed in Canada and Australia, Carl continues to explore and develop grain quality post-harvest management systems. His focus recently is on value added products from agricultural waste such as carbon foam for insulation, water filtration/desalination and energy storage. The most recent development was the demonstration of a Building Integrated Energy Storage (BIES) concept at the Canadian Hemp Trade Alliance conference held in Ottawa, Canada, in November 2017, which he presented at Australia's first Industrial Hemp conference in February 2018, at the second International Industrial Hemp conference in Vancouver, Canada, July 2018 and at the eighth International Hemp Building Association held in Brussels, Belgium, October 2018.

Martini Meinreiß

Martini Meinreiß, a member of the SPD, have been active in legalization for the past four years. From basic work on the street, appointments with federal and state politicians, through participation in committees to the organization of network meetings. My concern is more lobbying in politics, also on a European level.





Ethan Nadelmann

Described by Rolling Stone as "the point man" for drug policy reform efforts and "the real drug czar," Ethan Nadelmann is widely regarded as the outstanding proponent of drug policy reform both in the United States and abroad. He founded and directed (from 2000 to 2017) the Drug Policy Alliance.

Ethan was born in New York City and received his BA, JD, and PhD from Harvard, and a master's degree in international relations from the London School of Economics. He then taught politics and public affairs at Princeton University from 1987 to 1994, where his speaking and writings on drug policy attracted international attention.

He has authored two books on the internationalization of criminal law enforcement – Cops Across Borders and (with Peter Andreas) Policing The Globe – and his writings have appeared in most major media outlets in the U.S. as well as top academic journals (e.g., Science, International Organization), policy journals (Foreign Affairs, Foreign Policy, Washington Quarterly, Public Interest) and political publications from the right (National Review) to the left (The Nation). He is interviewed frequently by media, including The Colbert Report, The O'Reilly Factor, Real Time with Bill Maher, and news programs on all the major U.S. networks as well as dozens of networks elsewhere. His TED Talk, delivered at TEDGlobal in Rio de Janeiro in October 2014, has more than 1.5 million views, with translations into 28 languages.

In 1994, Ethan founded the Lindesmith Center, a drug policy institute created with the philanthropic support of George Soros. A year later, he co-founded the Open Society Institute's International Harm Reduction Development (IHRD) program. In 2000, the growing Center merged with the Drug Policy Foundation to form the Drug Policy Alliance. Ethan currently serves on the advisory board of the Open Society Foundation's Global Drug Policy Project (GDPP) and as an advisor to the Global Commission on Drug Policy. He has played a key role as drug policy advisor to George Soros and other prominent philanthropists as well as elected officials ranging from mayors, governors and state and federal legislators in the U.S. to presidents and cabinet ministers outside the U.S.

Svatopluk Nemecek (MD)

Svatopluk Němeček is a Czech politician and doctor, from 2014 to 2016 he served as the Czech Minister of Health in the government of Bohuslav Sobotka. From 2005 until 2014 he was the director of Ostrava Hospital, and from 2012 to 2014 he was a regional council-member in the Moravian-Silesian region.

Jonathan Newman (MD)

Dr Jonathan Newman is a social anthropologist who conducts research on the cannabis industry in Europe. He also looks at the coffee sector and the arms trade. His research considers the junction between regulation, technology, day-to-day business and moral economy. Newman is interested in how different companies identify and deal with the ethics surrounding their trade and how they balance this against other business goals. To understand how a plant interacts with human bodies and social processes he follows cannabis related developments in business, law, science and social activism. His articles have appeared in academic, trade and international media publications. He has presented research at trade shows, conferences, festivals and public meetings.





Chrystal Ortiz

Chrystal Ortiz is a permaculture gardener, Cannabis medicine maker and educator. Chrystal is the co-founder of High Water Farm, co-chair of Women Cultivating Community, and a founding board member for the International Cannabis Farmers Association. Based on her experience branding and promoting Humboldt-grown Cannabis to dispensaries throughout California, Chrystal believes that claiming and protecting geographical appellations will be crucial to brand identity and integrity.

As part of Humboldt County's track and trace program, Chrystal has been actively involved in early efforts to designate appellations of origin. While proof of origin is a strong first step, Chrystal is focused on the development of deeper quality control standards including the use of native soil, innovative (and ancient) farming practices, integrated pest management, properly timed harvests and curing standards. Chrystal believes that the Emerald Triangle has a great responsibility to accurately identify and define our appellation designations.

Pavel Pachta (PhD)

Pavel Pachta, Independent Consultant, Czech Republic, former Deputy Secretary of The International Narcotics Control Board (INCB)

Mr. Pachta holds a doctorate in international economics. He lectured at the University of Economics in Prague and then served for more than a quarter of a century in various positions in the UN drug control bodies. He was between 2004 and 2013 the Deputy Secretary of the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB) at its headquarters in Vienna, Austria. He contributed to several UN and WHO publications on substances under international control and their availability for medical and scientific purposes. Pavel Pachta provides consultancy on international drug regulations to companies, Governments and NGOs. He is member of the Scientific Board of the International Cannabis and Cannabinoids Institute (ICCI).

Òscar Parés Franquero

Òscar Parés Franquero finished his degree in Philosophy and degree in Anthropology from the University of Barcelona. Also has a master degree in Drug Addiction. For 7 years he worked as collaborator for the Government of Catalonia coordinating the risk reduction programs in the nightlife sector and regulating the Cannabis Social Clubs (CSC). Currently, he is Deputy Director of the ICEERS Foundation (International Center for Ethnobotanical Education Research & Service) where he promotes educational and research projects in the field of Cannabis Social Clubs, Medical Cannabis, ayahuasca and drug policy reform.

Ilya Reznik (MD)

Ilya Reznik, MD is a Board-certified specialist in Adult Forensic & Clinical NeuroPsychiatry at MaReNa Diagnostic and Consulting Center, Israel. Ilya Reznik, MD has superior educational and professional record and documented contributions to the field of neuropsychiatric research, such as publications and other innovative activities. Reznik, MD has published many original papers (including controlled trials), reviews and case reports in leading peer-reviewed journals in field of clinical psychiatry and neuropsychopharmacology. His current main interest is in the field of the medicinal use of cannabis and cannabinoids, especially for various neuropsychiatric illnesses, such as Chronic Pain Syndrome, Fibromyalgia, Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), OCD, ADHD, Gilles de la Tourette syndrome, Parkinson's and Alzheimer diseases etc.





During the last 9 years Reznik, MD gained an extensive clinical experience working with cannabis and its products in NeuroPsychiatry and General & Deprison of Cannabis Research & Deprison of Cannabis Cannabis Reznik, MD is renown International Speaker on Cannabinoid Medicine issues. He is Associate Member of The Canadian Consortium for the Investigation of Cannabinoids (CCIC), Member of International Cannabinoid Research Society (ICRS). In 2013 he was elected to the Board of Directors, International Association for Cannabinoid Medicines (IACM) and promotes educational and international activity within IACM.

Catherine Ritter (MD)

Catherine Ritter is a medical doctor, mainly experienced in drug related issues and health care for key affected populations.

She joined the Federal Office of Public Health in 2015, after having worked numerous years as a prison doctor in Switzerland. There she contributed to implement harm reduction and treatment of people who use drugs. She shared this most useful experiences in her consultancies, both in Switzerland and abroad, especially in Ukraine, where she worked with UNODC and the Pompidou Group of the Council of Europe.

Ethan Russo (MD)

Ethan Russo, MD, is a board-certified neurologist and psychopharmacology researcher and Director of Research and Development at ICCI.

Previously, from 2015-2017, he was Medical Director of PHYTECS, a biotechnology company researching and developing innovative approaches targeting the human endocannabinoid system ("ECS"). From 2003-2014, he served as Senior Medical Advisor, medical monitor and study physician to GW Pharmaceuticals for numerous Phase I-III clinical trials of Sativex® for alleviation of cancer pain unresponsive to optimized opioid treatment and initial studies of Epidiolex® for intractable epilepsy.

He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania (Psychology), and the University of Massachusetts Medical School, before residencies in Pediatrics in Phoenix, Arizona and in Child and Adult Neurology at the University of Washington in Seattle. He was a clinical neurologist in Missoula, Montana for 20 years.

He has held faculty appointments in Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of Montana, in Medicine at the University of Washington, and as visiting professor, Chinese Academy of Sciences.

He is a former president of the International Cannabinoid Research Society and former Chairman of the International Association for Cannabinoid Medicines. He serves on the Scientific Advisory Board for the American Botanical Council. He is author/editor of seven books on cannabis and medicinal herbs, and has also published numerous book chapters, and over fifty articles in neurology, pain management, cannabis, and ethnobotany. He has consulted or lectured on these topics in 38 states and provinces and 33 countries.





Tomas Sadilek

Mr. Sadilek recently joined the ICCI in the position of Director of Government Affairs. He brings with him extensive experience from the Office of the Government of the Czech Republic in the field of Legal and Illegal Drugs: Represented the Czech Republic in the Horizontal Group on Drugs in Bruxelles Represented the Czech Republic in all drug related meetings in United Nations institutions (Vienna, New York) Responsibility for the negotiations of the United Nations General Assembly Special Session (UNGASS) Outcome Document on behalf of the Czech Republic (held in Vienna from December 2015 – March 2016) Represented the Czech Republic in meetings in EU area, Eastern Partnership countries area, occasionally the US; these are related to UN meetings, Council of the EU meetings, Council of Europe meetings.

Sergio Sanchez-Bustos (MD)

MD from the University of Chile. Doctor in Medical Humanities and Socio-sanitary Sciences from the Complutense University of Madrid. MPH Universidad de Chile and MBA from Universidad Andrés Bello. Expert in drug policy and cannabis medicine. Director of the NGO Latinoamerica Reforma. Former Director of the Emergency Hospital for Public Assistance

Manu Sareen

Working as a social worker for almost 20 years I have always tried to make a difference. I had the same approach working as Minister for Social Affairs, The Danish Parliament and it is the same approach I'm bringing into my work with Medical cannabis, Chairman of The Danish Stress Organization, as Ambassador for The Danish Cancer Society and as director of Endoca Foundation.

Steph Sherer

Steph Sherer is the founder and executive director of the nation's leading medical cannabis patient advocacy organization, Americans for Safe Access. She is also a medical cannabis patient with over seventeen years of experience serving and managing non-profit and community organizations. Steph has taken on the issue of safe access and patient rights for millions. Her unwavering dedication to this cause started with one ASA office in Oakland in 2002. Now, there is an office in DC, 16 active ASA chapters and a grassroots base of over 50,000 members. Steph has spearheaded many instrumental projects in her ongoing effort to help ensure that grassroots advocates share their knowledge, skills, and tools. In 2011, ASA's Foundation began working with the American Herbal Products Association (AHPA) to create standards for the newly emerging medical cannabis industry in the form of recommendations for regulators.

Anthony Silvaggio (PhD.)

Tony Silvaggio, MD is an Associate Professor in Environmental Sociology at Humboldt State University in Arcata, California where he teaches in the Department of Sociology and the Environment & Community Graduate Program. His research focuses on understanding the ecological impacts of cannabis agriculture and the role drug war and prohibition policies play in exacerbating environmental problems. Silvaggio, MD has published, taught, and organized conferences on cannabis and the environment, and conducted policy research on cannabis manufacturing for the State of California. His research has been featured in the New York Times, The Atlantic, Rolling Stone, Al Jazeera, and The Nation. His most recent work can be found in the edited volume, Where There's Smoke: The Environmental Science, Public Policy, and Politics of Marijuana (University of Kansas Press, 2018). He is a founding faculty member of the Humboldt State Institute for Interdisciplinary Marijuana Research, a senior researcher at the Center for the Study of Cannabis and Social Policy, and the current graduate coordinator of the Sociology MA program.





Jessica Steinberg

Jessica Steinberg is a PhD student at the University of Oxford researching the cannabis industry. She has been conducting ethnographic fieldwork for 3.5 years. Jessica is Managing Director of her international cannabis consultancy, The Global C. She Co-Founded a women's empowerment organization, entOURage Network, to create a platform for exploration and education in the cannabis industry. Jessica peaks globally about her research and work, as well as the charity that she founded when she was 13 years old, Giveable Giggles

Ryan Stoa (PhD.)

Ryan Stoa is an Associate Professor of Law at Concordia University School of Law in Boise, Idaho, where he teaches Property Law, Administrative Law, Environmental Law, and Natural Resources Law. He is the author of Craft Weed: Family Farming and the Future of the Marijuana Industry (MIT Press, 2018), as well as numerous scholarly articles that address cannabis agriculture, energy regulation, natural resources management, and international development. Professor Stoa's popular writing has appeared in The Wall Street Journal, The New Republic, and The Conversation, and his research has been featured in Rolling Stone, Wired, and Gizmodo, among others. He can be contacted at www.ryanstoa.com

Jerome McCormick

Jerome McCormick is a founder of Veriphy and member of Help Not Harm (Ireland). As a blockchain researcher he is interested in using this technology for healthcare purposes, to enhance patient quality of life and patient outcomes. The mission is to assemble a platform that allows patients to design, participate in, analyse and publish their own decentralised patient studies into plant based protocols that are by their nature non-patentable products. His research so far has indicated that it is possible to implement a blind, randomised, placebo controlled study without needing a centralised authority. Patient groups will be able to study their own illnesses using various existing blockchain protocols to elevate mere anecdotal observations into powerful, statistically significant data sets. Ultimately the goal is to build a new pharmacopeia of plant medicine backed by these decentralised studies including studies into preventative medicine, dietary protocols and any other natural and non invasive therapies.

Michalis Theodoropoulos

Hemp producer; Hemp and Medical Cannabis production consultant; Project developer and manager of EU funded projects; coastal- environmental manager; former policy adviser and accredited assistant on environmental, public health and food safety issues in the European Parliament for two Greek Green MEPs (2009-2014); experienced NGO worker; author; festival organizer; campaigner; activist; researcher and practitioner.

Michelle Thiessen

Michelle Thiessen, MA, is a Doctoral student in Clinical Psychology at the University of British Columbia and a Vanier Canada Graduate Scholar. She is Vice-Chair of Canadian Students for Sensible Drug Policy – a student led organization that works on local, national and international levels to promote sensible drug policy, increase harm reduction awareness, and disseminate evidence-based educational resources. She is currently the study coordinator for a CIHR-funded study assessing the psychosocial impact of cannabis legalization on individuals aged 18-25.





Jindřich Vobořil

Jindřich Vobořil is the former drug policy coordinator of the Czech Republic and one of the leading experts on drug issues. He has over twenty years of experience in the management and development of health and social services and related programs. Since the late 1980s, he has worked systematically on establishing, developing, and evaluating community services, particularly in the area drug prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation.

Boaz Wachtel

Founder of Creso Pharma Ltd., Roots Sustainable Agricultural Technologies Ltd. and Phytotech Medical Ltd., Boaz Wachtel currently occupies the position of Non-Executive Chairman of Creso Pharma Ltd. and Executive Director & Head-Research & Development at Roots Sustainable Agricultural Technologies Ltd.

He is also on the board of PhytoTech Therapeutics Ltd. He previously occupied the position of Managing Director & Executive Director at MMJ PhytoTech Ltd. and Managing Director & Director at Phytotech Medical Ltd. (a subsidiary of MMJ PhytoTech Ltd.). He received a graduate degree from the University of Maryland.

Jonathan Zaid

Jonathan Zaid is the Director of Advocacy and Corporate Social Responsibility at Aurora Cannabis Inc., one of the world's largest legal cannabis companies. His responsibilities include overseeing the development and implementation of Aurora's global CSR and advocacy initiatives. Jonathan also sits on the C3 industry association's Medical Cannabis Committee. Since 2014 when he founded Canada's foremost non-profit cannabis patient advocacy organization, Canadians for Fair Access to Medical Marijuana (CFAMM), Zaid has been recognized as a leading expert on cannabis policy, education, and advocacy. Jonathan served as CFAMM's Executive Director from 2014 to 2018. Zaid's unwavering commitment to advocacy has already and continues to transform policy among governments, insurers, and industry, and is regularly featured in major media outlets. Jonathan has been honoured by multiple awards, including being named one of five "Mavericks and Movers" by the Financial Post.

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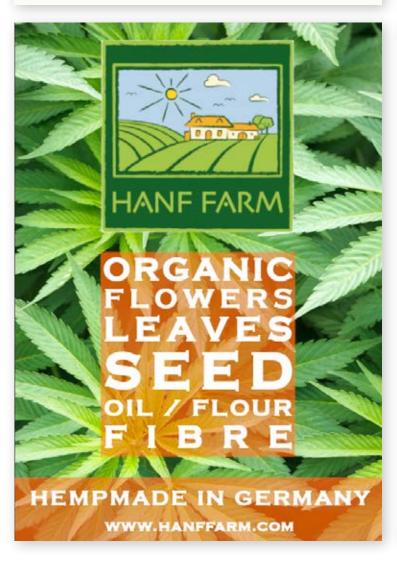
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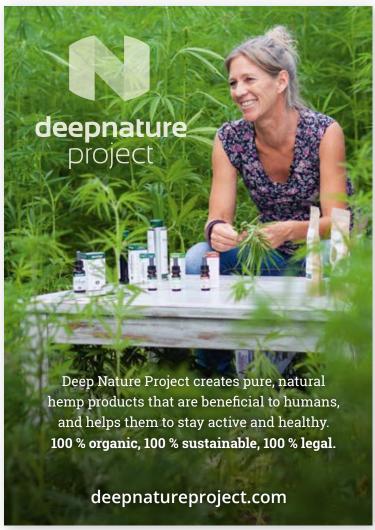
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Cocoa beans are the fermented seeds of the cacao tree, which stands about 12-25 feet tall and grows naturally in tropical climates. The fruit of the cocoa tree is a pod full of sweet pulp enfolding a cluster of about 20-40 cacao seeds which are processed to manufacture chocolate. The healing and medicinal benefits of cocoa have been appreciated since the times of ancient Mayan and Aztec civilizations. Some of its health benefits include: improved cardiovascular and brain health, high antioxidant capacity, aid in treating diabetes, and enhanced mood.



Coconut is one of the most used fruits in the culture of Jamaica. Hundreds of coconut species are found all over the world and its taste vary according to its soil alkalinity. Its outer part is of green in colour which turns brown as it matures. Underneath the hard shell is the sweet white edible meat along with containing some water. Some of its health benefits include: aiding digestion, controlling diabetes, improved blood cholesterol, improved skin, healthy hair, and acts as a natural sunblock.





Breadfruit is a tropical fruit related to other exotic fruits like breadnut, jackfruit, figs and mulberries and is a staple food in many tropical regions. The fruit can be roasted, baked, fried and even boiled before consumption. The flesh of the breadfruit has a nice fragrance and a sweet taste. Some of its health benefits include: improved cardiovascular health, boosted immunity, aiding digestion, preventing skin inflammation, and aiding collagen production.

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Cannabis, also known as ganja in Jamaica, is a psychoactive plant intended for medical or recreational use. The main psychoactive part of cannabis is tetrahydrocannabinol (THC); one of 483 known compounds in the plant, including at least 65 other cannabinoids. Cannabis can be used by smoking, vaporizing, within food, or as an extract. Cannabis has shown evidence to treat AIDS wasting syndrome, epilepsy, rheumatoid arthritis, and glaucoma. The plant is also used to treat anxiety, stress, lack of appetite, depression, and PTSD.



Ackee is a colorful and delicious fruit that is a popular ingredien in Caribbean cuisine, both for its flavor and its beneficial health properties. Most famously, ackee is the complementary part of saltfish and ackee, the national dish of Jamaica. More important than its flavor and availability, this fruit is packed with health benefits such as: aiding digestion, lowered blood pressure, improved heart health, increased bone health, and boosted immunity.



Guavas are a very common type of fruit with unique flavour and fragrance which is hailed as one of the super fruits due to the numerous health benefits it offers. This humble fruit is extraordinarily rich in vitamin C, lycopene and antioxidants that are beneficial for skin. Guavas are also rich in manganese which helps the body to absorb other key nutrients from the food that we eat.

