

### The Global S.M.A.R.T. Programme:

Synthetics Monitoring: Analysis, Reporting and Trends

# ATS trends, programme progress and planned expansion

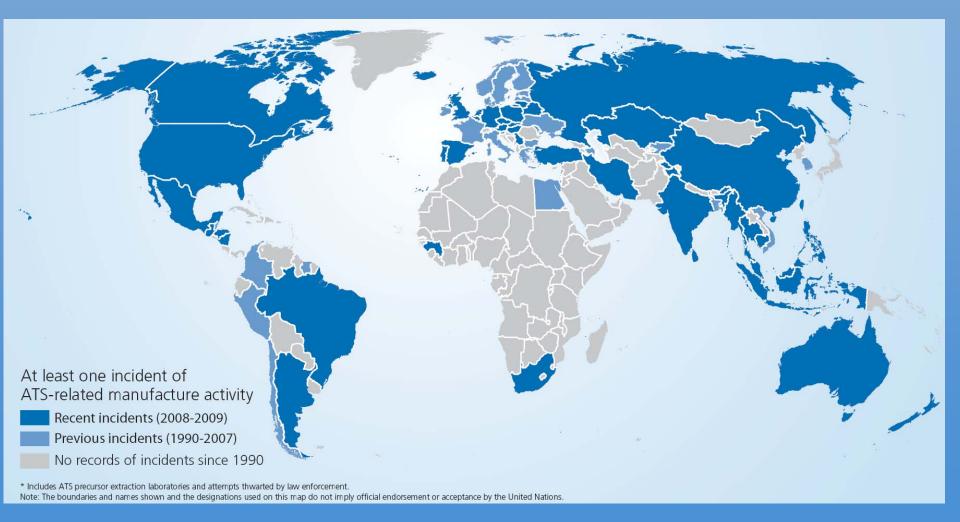
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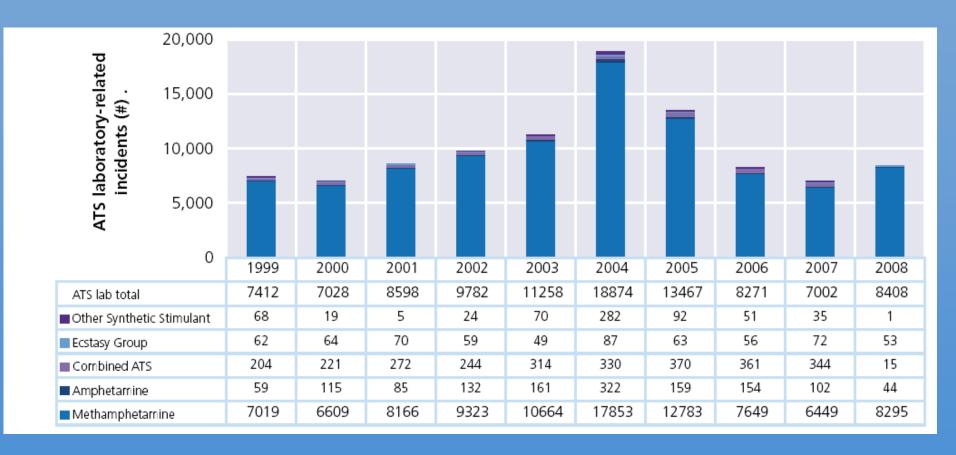
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# More than half of UN Member States have reported ATS related manufacture since 1990





#### Number of dismantled ATS laboratories



#### Estimates of ATS manufacture

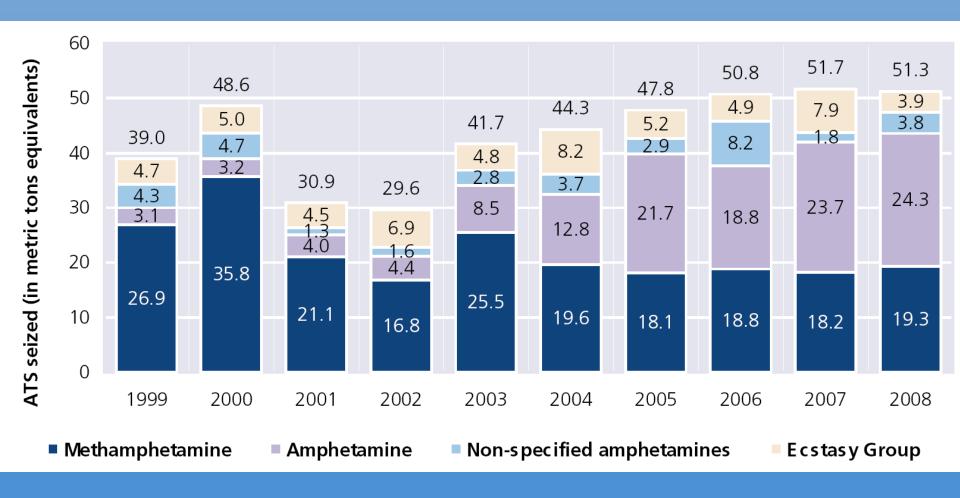
Amphetamines-group (Retail Purity)		Amphetamines-group (Wholesale Purity)	
Low Estimate	High Estimate	Low Estimate	High Estimate
13,710,000	52,900,000	13,710,000	52,900,000
10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9
149	577	149	577
47.4	47.4	47.4	47.4
197	624	197	624
24%	24%	36%	36%
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	Ecstasy-group (Retail Purity)		Ecstasy-group (Wholesale Purity)	
	Low Estimate	High Estimate	Low Estimate	High Estimate
Annual Consumers (estimated 2008)	10,450,000	25,820,000	10,450,000	25,820,000
Average Consumption (pure grams/annually)	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1
Metric Tons Estimated Consumed (pure)	53	132	53	132
Metric Tons Reported Seized	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9
Metric Tons Manufactured (unadjusted for purity)	57	136	57	136
Purity (weighted)	36%	36%	45%	45%
Metric Tons Seized (adjusted to pure)	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.7
Metric Tons Manufactured (pure)	55	133	55	133

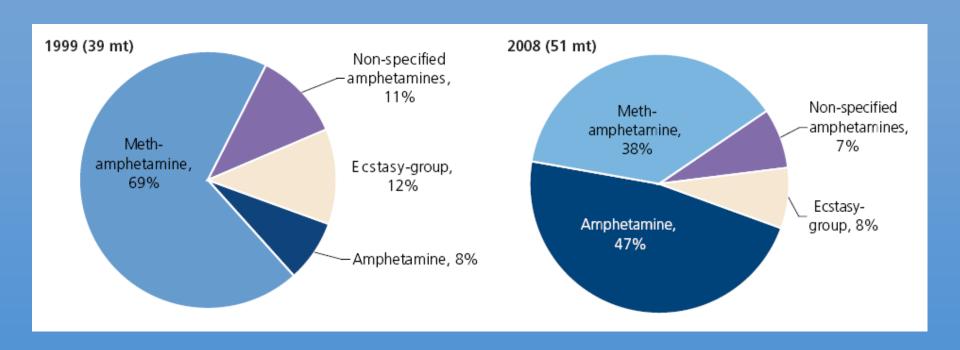
# Routes of ephedrine/pseudoephedrine diversion cases, 2006/07 and 2008/09



#### ATS seizures, 1999-2008



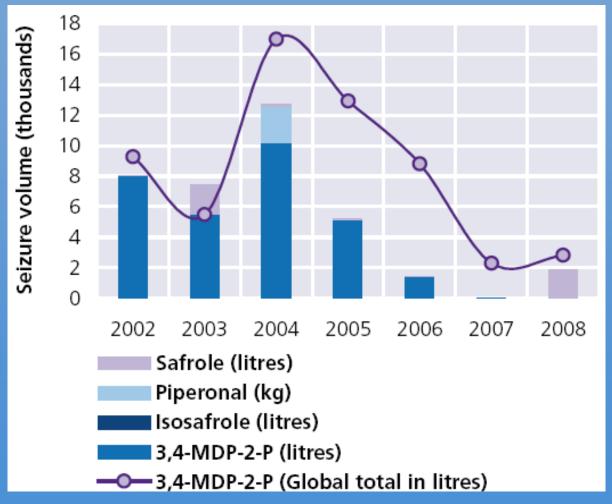
#### Breakdown of ATS seizures, 1999-2008



# Locations of ecstasy manufacture and main trafficking routes, 2008-09



# Seizures (in mt) of ecstasy precursor chemicals in Europe, 2002-2008



**Source: INCB** 

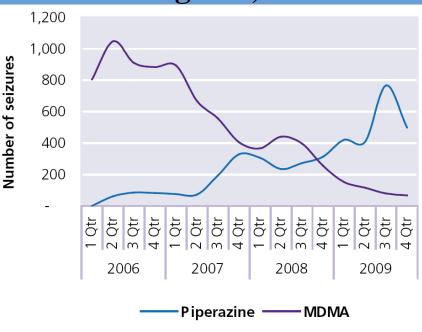
#### Composition of 'ecstasy' tablets in Europe

#### **Netherlands**, 1999-2008



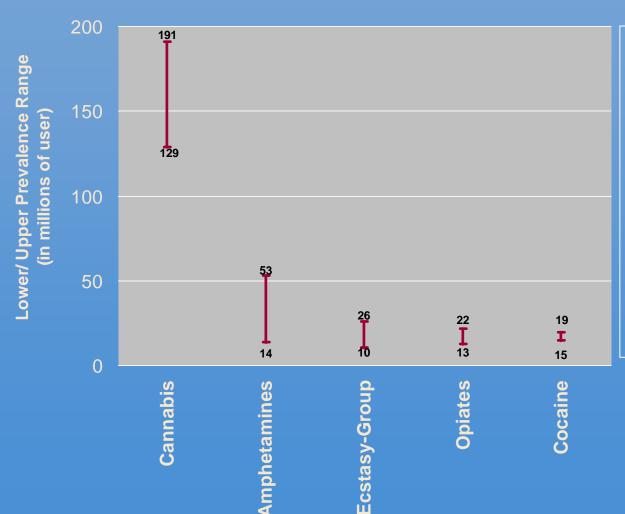
Source: Addiction 104 (12), 2009.

#### United Kingdom, 2006-2009



**Source: United Kingdom Forensic Science Service** 

# Estimates of global illicit drug use (annual prevalence) among people aged 15-64 years, 2008/09



As a percentage of the population aged 15-64:

Cannabis: 2.9 - 4.3%

Amphetamines: 0.3 - 1.2%

Ecstasy-group: 0.2 - 0.6%

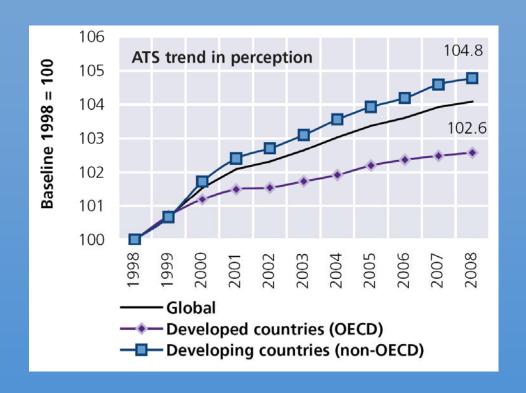
Opiates: 0.3 - 0.5%

Cocaine: 0.3 - 0.4%

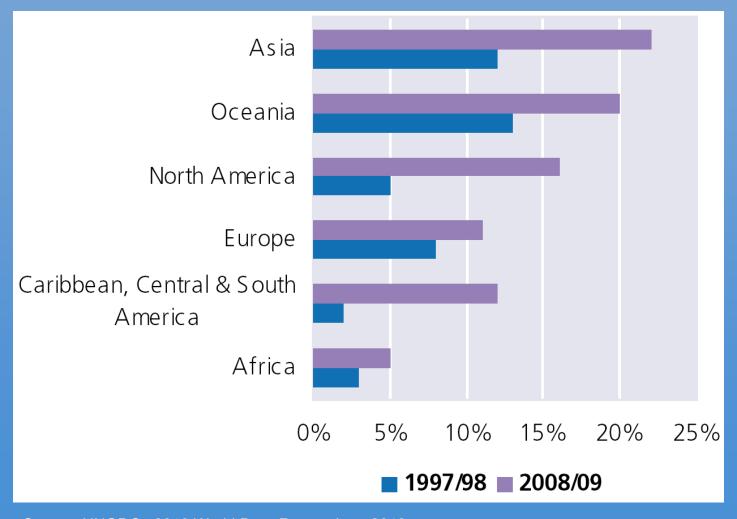
Source:

UNODC, 2010 World Drug Report.

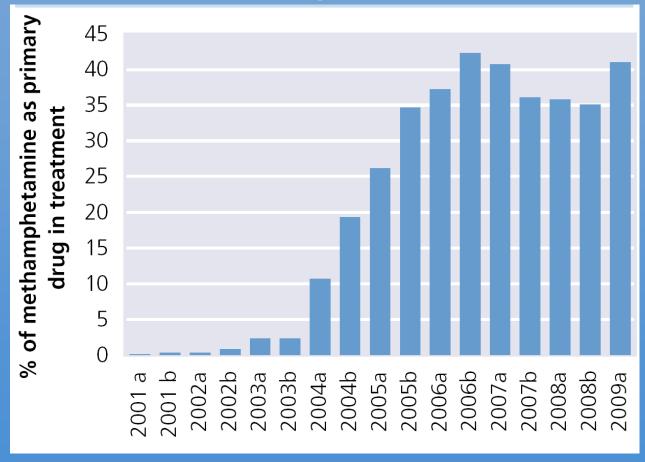
#### Perceived ATS use trends (unweighted) by experts, 1999-2008



# ATS related treatment demand in % of all treatment demand, 1998 – 2008



# Cape Town, South Africa: methamphetamine as primary substance in overall drug treatment, 2001-2009



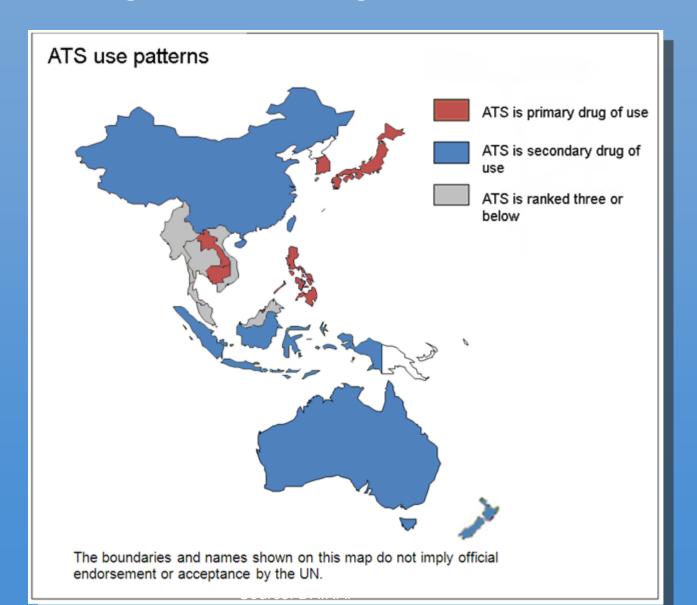
Source: South Africa Community Epidemiology Network on Drug Use. a= Jan to Jun, b= Jul- Dec

#### The story so far -

- Manufacture: Reported in more than 80 countries.
- Trafficking:
  - Continuous increase over past decade, global seizures 52 mt (2008), 39 mt (1999)
  - Precursors trafficked globally
- Use:
  - More users of ATS than cocaine & heroin combined
  - Potential health problems.

"Tip of the iceberg" = Significant information gaps exist

#### ATS risk greatest throughout East Asia and Pacific



### ATS risk highest in East Asia

- ATS one of the major human security threats throughout the region (Myanmar)
- Emerging health issue = half of the world's ATS users are in East Asia
- ATS primary drug of concern (Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Japan, Republic of Korea, Lao PDR, Philippines)
- Indicators point to continuing increase in manufacture, trafficking and use of ATS
- Significant knowledge gaps exist

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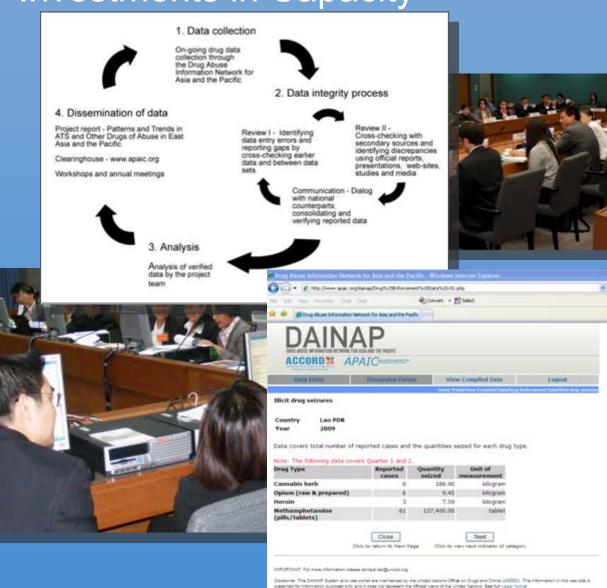
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#### SMART Investments in Capacity

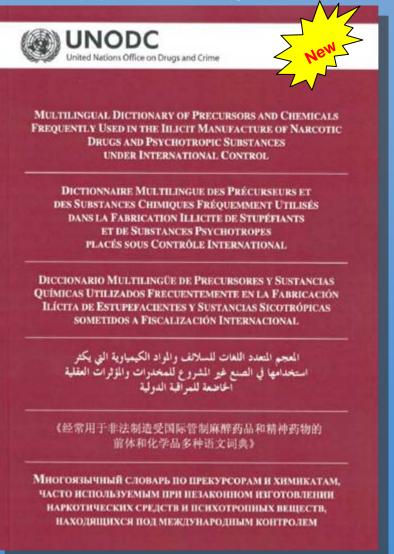
- Regional and national capacity building
- National trainings and review sessions

On-line data collection

- Data verification and quality assurance
- Country situation reports
- Regional assessments



Supported by UNODC forensic science programme





Field detection kits

- precursor chemicals
- synthetic drugs

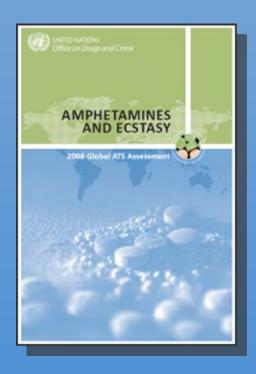
 Computer-based training material

New multi-lingual precursor dictionary

#### Global SMART – accomplishments to date

- Global ATS Assessment, September 2008
- Global SMART Update v1, March 2009
- SMART Advisory Group Meeting, March 2009
- Global SMART programme staffed, July 2009
- Regional East and South-East Asia workshop, July 2009
- National workshops (Cambodia, Myanmar Philippines), December 2009; Malaysia, June 2010
- Global SMART Update v2, October 2009
- East and South-East Asia Regional Report, November 2009
- Global SMART at SYNDEC4 Conference, November 2009
- Global SMART Update v3, March 2010
- Commission on Narcotic Drug 53rd session, Global SMART side-event, March 2010
- SMART Advisory Group Meeting, March 2010

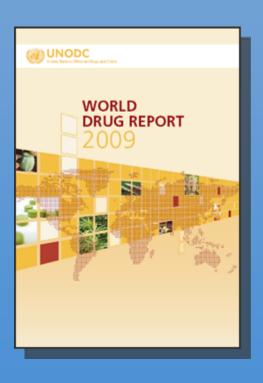
### Global ATS Context

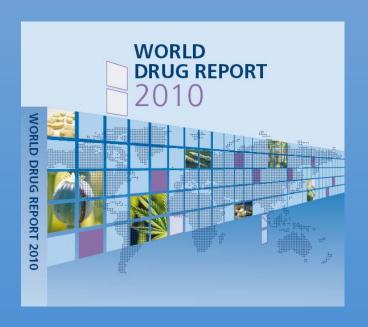




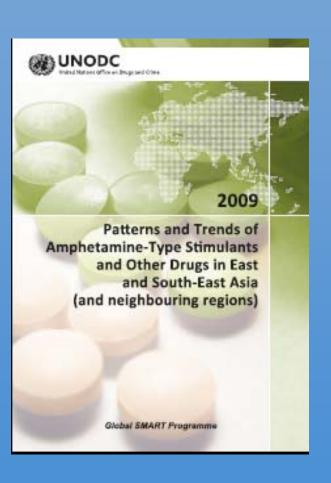


# Global context- World Drug Report





### Regional context

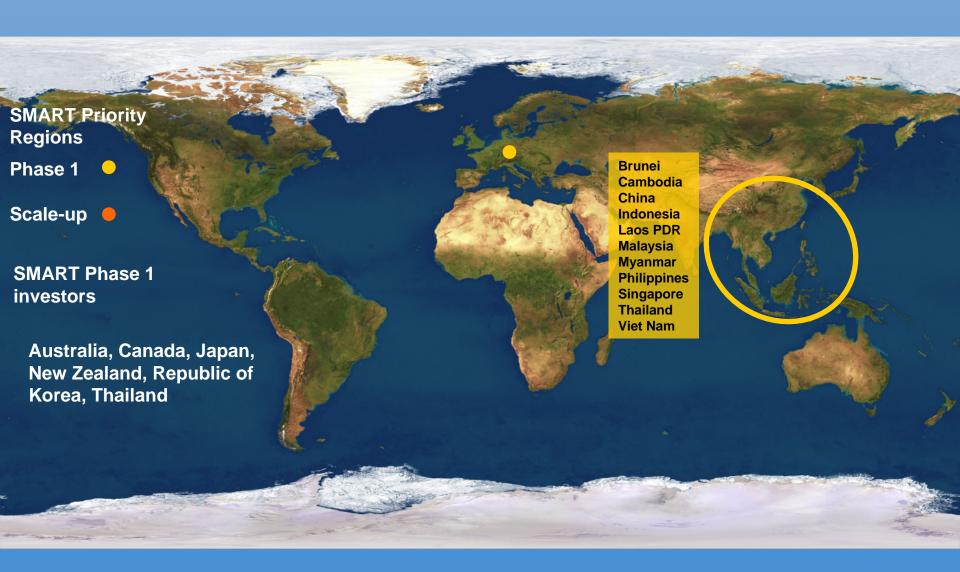


Patterns and Trends of ATS in East and South-East Asia
2009 (includes section on Pacific and South Asia)

2010 report-Situation assessment- Myanmar



#### SMART currently operates in East and South-East Asia



#### Global SMART – the way forward

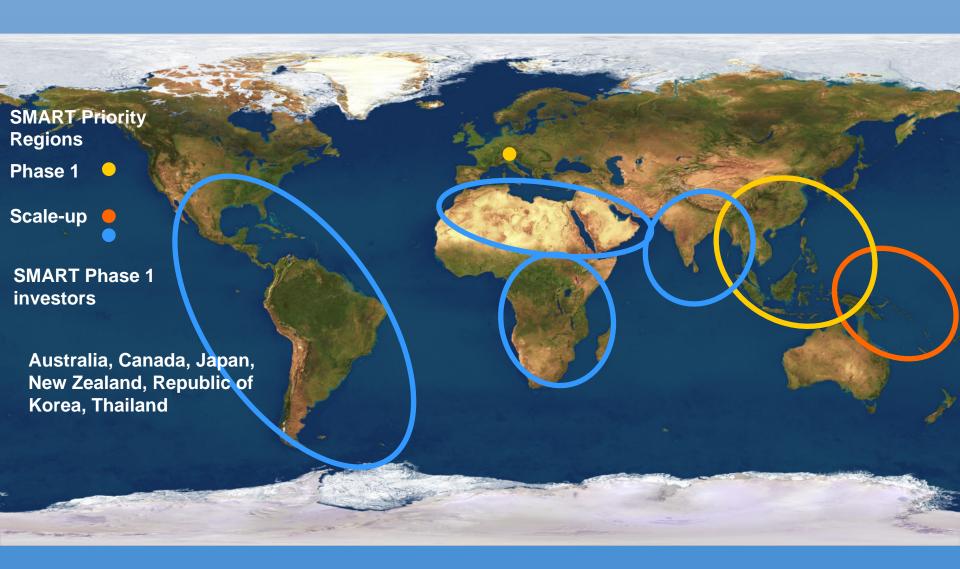
- East and South-East Asia Regional Report, Fall 2010
- SMART in the Americas, Fall 2010
- Global SMART Update v4, October 2010
- Commission on Narcotic Drugs 54<sup>th</sup> session, Global SMART side-event, March 2011
- SMART Advisory Group Meeting, March 2011

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### **SMART** priority regions—targeted expansion



#### **Vulnerability of Pacific States**

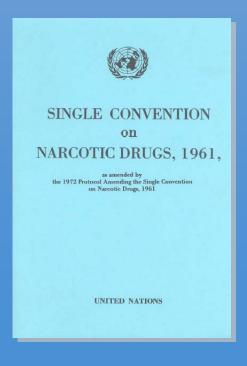
- Close proximity to major ATS markets (millions of potential customers, spill-over effect)
  - Several incidents:
    - 2004 clandestine manufacturing facility, Fiji (methamphetamine)
    - 2010 methamphetamine/ pseudoephedrine seizures Fiji
    - 2006/7/8 small-scale methamphetamine laboratories dismantled in Guam
    - 2009, French Polynesia methamphetamine

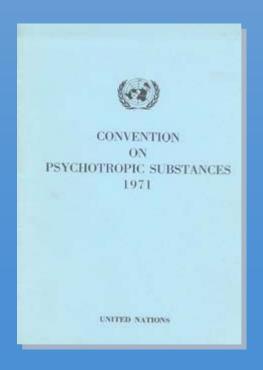
Porous maritime borders, Limited law enforcement capacity

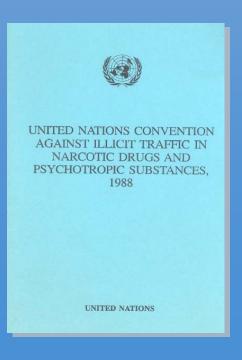
- Limited awareness of the problem
- High proportion of non-parties to the United Nations drug control Conventions (1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1988 Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

# International drug control treaties- the Pacific

- 18 States are not yet party to all of those treaties
- Of these 18 States, 10 are in the Pacific (63 per cent)
- Parties to all treaties: Fiji, Federated States of Micronesia, Tonga
- Annual reports questionnaire- very low response rate







#### **SMART** in the Americas

- Start-up operations in progress
- Close cooperation with Inter-American Drug Abuse Commission (CICAD) of the Organization of American States
- Establishment of drug information network
  - Real/potential data sources
    - Health officials, law enforcement (police, customs)
    - Academics, researchers
    - Non-governmental organizations and other groups
  - Data focal points
  - Data sharing
  - Capacity building on the ground

# Thank you for your attention

More sources for ATS information <a href="https://www.unodc.org">www.unodc.org</a> <a href="https://www.apaic.org">www.apaic.org</a>