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## Report on EECA Harm Reduction Initiative Released

The Eurasian Harm Reduction Network (EHRN) has released a progress report on the regional initiative on HIV and harm reduction in Eastern Europe and Central Asia. This is one of the three regional early applicant initiatives in the transition phase of the new funding model.

The report describes work done by EHRN in initiating and completing the regional dialogue process; establishing regional governance structures for the concept note development and for grant implementation oversight; defining the overall concept for the initiative; defining grant implementation strategies such as sub-recipient selection and country eligibility; and preparing a “zero draft” of the regional initiative concept note.

The report also documents some lessons learned from the experience to date and presents some recommendations for the Global Fund concerning the development of regional proposals.

The report is entitled “EHRN Regional Initiative on HIV and Harm Reduction for Eastern Europe and Central Asia: First Steps, Processes and Lessons Learned.” For more information, please contact [Sergey Votyagov](#) or [Ivan Varentsov](#), the focal points at the EHRN Secretariat for the regional application. GFO has written several articles on this initiative, the most recent being [here](#)

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