INTRODUCTION

LEAP UK (Law Enforcement Action Partnership) is the British branch of the 501(c)3 non-profit, international, educational organization comprising former and current police officers, members of the intelligence service, military and a range of figures from the criminal justice system who have joined together with civilians to raise awareness to the failed, dangerous, and expensive pursuit of a punitive drug policy.

Our mission is to reduce the multitude of unintended harmful consequences resulting from fighting the “war on drugs” and to lessen the incidence of death, disease, crime and addiction by ultimately ending drug prohibition. We advocate reform and an evidence based policy with a public health focus, including decriminalisation and nuanced regulatory models for all drugs.
OUR MAIN GOALS

Our aim is to educate the public, the media and policy makers to the failure of current drug policy by presenting a true picture of the history, causes and effects of drug abuse and the crimes related to drug prohibition.

We seek to restore the public’s respect for law enforcement, which has been greatly diminished by its involvement in imposing drug prohibition.

LEAP UK’s main strategy for accomplishing these goals is to create a constantly enlarging speakers bureau, staffed with knowledgeable and articulate former “drug-warriors” who describe the impact of current drug policies on: police/community relations; the safety of law enforcement officers and suspects; police corruption and misconduct; and the financial and human costs associated with current drug policies.
Our network of speakers are from diverse law enforcement backgrounds. From undercover detectives, Mi6 officers and bobbies on the beat, our speakers have years of experience on the front lines in the so-called “war on drugs”.

Their experience with policing drugs first hand makes for compelling discussions on why British drug policy is failing society, and what can be done to reduce the harms of drugs through evidence based policies.

New experts are always joining our speakers bureau. Today, they represent LEAP UK across the United Kingdom. If you have an upcoming event that you would like one of our speakers to attend, contact our Executive Director on jason.reed@lawenforcementaction.org

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