

# IRACM NEWS



## SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM IRACM



Happy New Year - Bonne Année - Feliz Año Nuevo

Our team is pleased to express its warm wishes for the New Year to you and your family. In 2015, the IRACM is fully committed to continue and amplify its fight against illicit and counterfeit medicines worldwide with the priority to preserving the health of patients, informing the communities, alerting and assisting the governments and through developing projects to make the world a healthier world.

Happy New Year!

## OPEN ACCESS TO THE IRACM ELEARNING PLATFORM HAS BEEN PROCESSED

A free IRACM informative and amusing online training program includes 7 modules. They explain how drugs are manufactured and marketed, how medicine counterfeiting is dealt with, what the relevant legislation is, but also, how

## NEWS SECTION INTERNATIONAL

DECEMBER 2014

### Shut down of websites selling fake drugs

The seizure of 292 internet domain names for having sold illegally counterfeit merchandise online, including medicines, has occurred during the operation "In Our Sites (IOS) Transatlantic V" in 19 countries with Europol partners and United States.

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### 2 men arrested for manufacturing fake drugs

During 2 raids, a large quantity of counterfeit medicines had been seized. Fake drugs, fake labels, materials for packaging and seals were found on the spot. [MORE](#)



to identify illegal online pharmacies or recognize authentic packaging.

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## A MODEL LAW TO ASSIST THE GOVERNMENTS IN FIGHTING COUNTERFEIT MEDICINES



The IRACM took part in the 2nd Expert Group Meeting held in Vienna from 8 to 10 December 2014 to review draft model legislative provisions to combat fraudulent medicine. IRACM contributed to initiate the process last January to develop a model law with UNODC and other international partners.

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## THE HEALING ARTS IN THE TRADITIONAL AFRICA: WHAT ABOUT FAKE MEDS?



A conference on the Healing Arts in traditional Africa was organized by the Association Muvacan in Nantes, France, on Dec. 16, 2014. The IRACM has addressed the counterfeiting of medicines issue in Africa and elsewhere, thus presenting the new face of organized crime.

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## IRACM IS NOW ACTIVE ON THE SOCIAL NETWORKS

The IRACM is now on line on social media in order to be closer to the general public. Interactivity is responding to a willingness to share and inform the public about the

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### 1 ton of counterfeit medicines seized and 5 shops closed

This seizure is the result of raids in 5 pharmaceutical shops all located close to the hospital of Chiclayo. [MORE](#)

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### New laws to tackle counterfeiting of medicines

The health authorities increased the raids. With new laws, the authorities would no longer wait for court orders to prosecute illegal shops and counterfeiters. [MORE](#)

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### Fake antimalarials in Darfur

Expired or counterfeit anti-malarial medicines are sold on the markets, causing the death of several people. An anti-counterfeiting campaign is urgently waited. [MORE](#)

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## NEWS SECTION UNITED STATES

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### A man arrested for selling fake drugs

More than 7,000 fake Cialis and fake Viagra pills seized after the arrest of a counterfeiter in



potential dangers of counterfeit drugs. Join us !



Rockdale County, in the US.  
The total value of pills seized is estimated at \$238,000. [MORE](#)

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