

Platform of IOGT International

IOGT is a world-wide community. The aim of IOGT, founded in 1851, is the liberation of peoples of the world leading to a richer, freer and more rewarding life. As a means of attaining this aim, IOGT will promote a lifestyle free of alcohol and other drugs. The work of IOGT and its member organisations is built on the principles of universal fellowship and basic human democratic rights. The Good Templar movement believes that each individual is unique and has an infinite value. Everyone is entitled to personal freedom and is obliged to work for the improvement of the quality of life for all people. IOGT seeks to promote democracy on all levels of society, which means that all citizens must have the opportunity to actively participate in decision making processes and freely express their opinions.

IOGT works for peace by promoting human development and dignity, democracy, tolerance, equality and justice. Furthermore, IOGT advocates the peaceful settlement of conflicts between individuals and groups. Member organisations are encouraged to work towards peace between nations.

IOGT recognises that alcohol and other drugs constitute a serious threat to the dignity and freedom of many people and their societies. As a part of the solution to alcohol and drug problems, members of IOGT organisations choose to live free from such substances.

IOGT develops comprehensive programmes including prevention, reduction of consumption, education and the rehabilitation of users and those they affect.

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