

## **Dr. Raquel Peyraube, MD**

Raquel Peyraube is a Uruguayan Medical Doctor graduated at the Medicine School of the Universidad de la República and specialist on Endocannabinology and Drug field. She founded and was the first president of the Uruguayan Society of Endocannabinology (SUEN). She is also Board Member of the International Association for Cannabinoid Medicines (IACM), and member of the International Cannabinoids Research Society (ICRS). In January 2019 she has joined Plena Global Holdings as Director of Public Policy and Health.

Throughout her career she was involved in training, prevention, treatment and drug related harm reduction, including innovative theoretical and methodological developments with an emphasis on ethical issues, which earned her regional and international recognition.

In her country, she has been *ad hoc* advisor of the National Board on Drugs (SND) and the Institute of Regulation and Control of Cannabis (IRCCA) of Uruguay, and actively participated in the elaboration of the law that regulates cannabis. Currently she is also *ad hoc* scientific advisor of policy makers in different countries (v.gr. Panamanian and Ecuadorian Parliament Commissions, legislators discussing the Peruvian decree implementing Medical Cannabis, National Fund of Narcotics of Columbia among others).

She designed and directs the International Medical Cannabis and Endocannabinology Course for physicians, nurses and pharmacists endorsed by IACM and protocolled it to be implemented in different jurisdictions.

Dr. Peyraube was member of the research team Monitor Cannabis of the Social Sciences School of the Universidad de la República in Uruguay, working on regulating models for medical cannabis and evaluation of the cannabis law. She is also member of the group of experts working on the public health recommendations for cannabis regulation coordinated by the O'Neill Institute of the Georgetown University, Washington DC, and the Washington Office for Latin America (WOLA).

She is an active lecturer in many Universities and governmental events. Currently she is dedicated to Endocannabinology clinical practice, research, medical education, and advising on Drug Policy Reform towards models more efficient, pragmatic, and based on science and public health ethics, particularly in Cannabis regulation models.