



**SEESAC
CIVIC INITIATIVES NGO**

Wednesday, 28 June 2006, Belgrade

**CONSULTATION ON EDUCATION AND SMALL ARMS
Thursday, 29 June 2006, Metropol Hotel, Belgrade 09:00 – 16:00**

The South Eastern and Eastern Europe Clearinghouse for the Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SEESAC) has a mandate from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe (SCSP) to further support all international and national stakeholders by strengthening national and regional capacity to control and reduce the proliferation and misuse of small arms and light weapons, and thus contribute to enhanced stability, security and development in South Eastern and Eastern Europe.

Representatives from the Ministry of Education & Sport, Institute for Improvement of Education, Civic Education professionals, Psychologists/child psychiatrists, Public health personnel (accident & injury), Police involved in schools, Social workers (juvenile justice), UNICEF, ICRC (EHL), OSCE, NPA, NGOs, Representatives from Parents' Associations and Students' Councils will be taking part in the consultation.

The purpose of the consultation is to;

- To initiate a consultation and discussion about the issue of education and small arms;
- To share knowledge and experiences about small arms and children and curriculum development;
- To discuss whether children and young people are the appropriate targets for awareness and education activities about small arms;
- To discuss relationship with 'Violence in Schools' program (UNICEF) & EHL (Exploring Humanitarian Law (ICRC));
- To discuss the age groups which need to be targeted; and
- To suggest where the issue should be placed in the curriculum: Civic Education, across the curriculum, extra classes, Peace Education and safety education.

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided throughout the day for both Serbian and English speakers, as necessary.

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