

FIFTH REGIONAL MEETING OF SALW COMMISSIONS

3-4 November 2015
Skopje

AGENDA

DAY 1

0900 – 0930

Opening remarks

- Dr. Duško Ivanov, State Counsellor, Ministry of Interior
- Mr. Martin Klaucke, Head of Operations, EU Delegation in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- Ms. Stefana Greavu, Head of Political Department, Regional Cooperation Council
- Dr. Ivan Zveržhanovski, SEESAC Coordinator

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0930 – 1100

Session I – Implementation of SALW Control Strategies – progress update by SALW Commission representatives (15-20 minutes per SALW Commission)

The purpose of this session is for SALW Commissions to present progress in the implementation of their SALW Control Strategies as well as challenges encountered.

Moderator: Ms. Juliana Buzi, SEESAC Projects Specialist

1100– 1130

Coffee break

1130 - 1300

Session I (cont.) – Implementation of SALW Control Strategies – Progress update by SALW Commissions representatives

Upon completion of update presentations, discussions will be encouraged on challenges encountered in formulating the national strategies and ensuring that these are in compliance with the relevant EU and UN international binding agreements. In addition, a proposal to establish a joint regional SALW Control Strategy will be discussed.

Moderator: Ms. Juliana Buzi, SEESAC Projects Specialist

1300 – 1400

Lunch break

1400 – 1600

Session II – Armed Violence Prevention & Reduction and Sustainable Development

This session will focus on measures to monitor, prevent and/or reduce armed violence as well as the importance of the linkage between armed violence and social and economic development in the region. The objective of the session is to shape a discussion on how SALW control policies are integrated into national development planning as well as to identify concrete measures and experiences contributing to Armed Violence Prevention and Reduction (AVR).

Moderator: Dr. Ivan Zveržhanovski, SEESAC Coordinator

Presentations:

- Integrating AVR into international and national development frameworks – Mr. David Atwood, Independent International Expert
- Experiences and challenges in linking SALW Control activities into overall development plans and strategies (5 mins per Delegation)
- Monitoring Armed Violence in the Region (SEESAC):
 - Firearm incidents data analysis for Albania
 - Armed Violence Monitoring Platform - plans
 - SALW Surveys - Plans in the region

1600 – 1930

Networking time

1930

Dinner hosted by SEESAC

DAY 2

0930 – 1100

Session III – Tackling Illicit Possession: Scope of the problem

The aim of this session is to discuss available data, origins, identified risks, and the state of affairs in fighting the illicit possession of small arms and light weapons in the region.

- Each delegation should prepare a 5-10 minutes overview in order to inform discussion.

Moderator: Dr. Ivan Zveržhanovski, SEESAC Coordinator

1100 – 1130

Coffee break

1130 – 1330

SESSION IV – Tackling Illicit Possession – Registration/Recordkeeping/Marking

The aim of this session is to gain an overview of registration and record-keeping systems as well as the regulation of firearms marking in the region. The objective is to identify common challenges and possible solutions.

- 15 minutes presentation by each SALW Commission delegation followed by discussion.

Moderator: Mr. Alain Lapon, UNDP Project Manager/Technical Advisor



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1330 – 1430

Lunch

1430 – 1600

Session V – Tackling Illicit Possession – Collection and Legalization Campaigns

The session aims to foster the exchange of the most updated information and experience on recent campaigns and actual efforts to collect SALW. It should serve also as an opportunity to identify the challenges faced and to start a discussion on how to improve the approaches.

Moderator: Ms. Iva Savic, SEESAC Project Officer

Update on results of campaigns by:

- Montenegro
- Serbia
- BiH

Presentation on best practices from the region on the SALW Collection Campaigns- Mr. Krunoslav Katić, Human Security Consultant

Discussion

1600 – 1615

Conclusions and wrap-up