

6th REGIONAL MEETING OF SALW COMMISSIONS

5-6 December 2016
Budva, Montenegro

AGENDA

DAY 1

0930 - 1030

Opening remarks

- Representative of Montenegro Ministry of Interior (TBC)
- Ms. Stefana Greavu, Head of Political Department, Regional Cooperation Council

Introductory remarks and overview of progress

- Dr. Ivan Zveržhanovski, SEESAC Coordinator

(Followed by group photo & coffee break)

1030 - 1140

Session I – Update on implementation of SALW Control Strategies

(15 minutes per SALW Commission)

The purpose of this session is for participants to inform their colleagues on developments since the last meeting focusing on key issues relating to the work of the Commission (where relevant). Each Delegation's presentation should focus on providing updates related to:

- *Planned or implemented **new** legislation on SALW control*
- ***New** strategies and Action Plan or plans to develop them (where relevant)*
- *Physical security and stockpile management of small arms and light weapons*
- *Reduction of SALW stockpiles*
- *Marking, record-keeping and tracing of SALW*
- *Challenges and Plans*

In addition, presentation of SEESAC's new template on the National Strategy on SALW Control based on ISACS – presented by Mr. Alain Lapon, SEESAC Chief Technical Advisor

Moderator: Ms. Juliana Buzi, SEESAC Regional Cooperation Coordinator

1140 - 1200

Coffee break

1200 - 1300

Session I (cont.) – Update on implementation of SALW Control Strategies

(15 minutes per SALW Commission)

1300 – 1400

Lunch

1400 – 1500

Session II – Legalization, Collection and Awareness Campaigns

This session will aim to provide an overview on the legalization, collection and awareness raising campaigns on firearms. The presentations from the delegations (Albania, Moldova, Serbia, SEESAC) should provide an insight on:

- Campaign methodology
- Challenges identified
- Results

This will be followed by a discussion based on the experiences in the region and identifying good practices and gaps.

Moderator: Mr. Mladen Marković, SALW Commission, Montenegro

1500 - 1530

Coffee Break

1530 – 1700

Session III – Global trends and impact on SALW policy making in the region – a discussion –

This session will be organized as a dialogue among representatives with the aim of assessing how global policies are impacting policy making in the region. Three presentations will be given to introduce some of the developments, followed by a discussion based on each SALW Commission experience. The session should be interactive and result in an overview of the challenges that new trends present to policy makers.

- SALW Control and the Sustainable Development Goals – *presented by Prof. Owen Greene, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Bradford*
- Update on the Arms Trade Treaty (Meeting of State Parties 2016) – *presented by Mr. Momir Brajić, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bosnia and Herzegovina*
- 3D Printing and Firearms – *Mr. Mirko Kukulj, SALW Specialist Advisor*

Moderator: Mr. Nils Duquet, *Flemish Peace Institute*

1700 – 1900

Networking time

1900

Dinner

DAY 2

0930 – 1100

Session IV – Preventing Armed Violence – Policy responses

The aim of this session is to provide policy and research insight on various issues related to arms control and prevention of armed violence. The presentations will be followed by a discussion collecting the views and insights of the SALW Commissions.

- UNODC Firearms Study and new questionnaire update – *presented by Ms. Mareike Buettner, Associate Expert in Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, UNODC*
- Firearms research in support of European and national policies to combat gun violence in Europe – *Mr. Nils Duquet, Flemish Peace Institute*
- SALW & Gender in South East Europe study – *presented by Mr. Dragan Božanić, SEESAC Gender and SALW Advisor*

Moderator: Mr. Ermin Pešto, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Security, BiH

1100 – 1130

Coffee break

1130 – 1300

Session V – Moving towards standardization with the EU

*The session will be an opportunity to initiate a discussion on the necessary steps to align with EU standards and practices. Several presentations will aim to frame the dialogue between representatives. An overview of the latest legislation from Croatia will be followed by a presentation of a threat assessment conducted within the framework of the SEE Firearms Experts Network, focusing on an legal and institutional gap analysis. The session will also feature a presentation of final recommendations of the "Feasibility study on the Possibilities of Linking the Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) Registration Systems of South East Europe" and the conclusions on the feasibility of linking firearms registers in Southeast Europe. **The summary of the gap analysis and of the study will be shared in advance with the participants.***

- Experience from the EU – Croatia's new legislation on firearms – *Ms. Snježana Bagarić, Ministry of Interior, Republic of Croatia*
- Regional Threat Assessment – Analysis of the Institutional Fitness to respond to the firearms threat – *Mr. Slobodan Bošković, SEESAC Project Advisor*
- Recommendations on Linking SALW registration systems in Southeast Europe – *Study presented by Mr. Adrian Whiting, Arquebus Solutions*

Moderator: Mr. Alain Lapon, SEESAC Chief Technical Adviser

1300 – 1400

Lunch

1400 – 1530

Way forward – discussion on data collection and analysis; improving monitoring and evaluation frameworks; tackling illicit possession and raising awareness.

The session will bring together the different themes raised during this and previous meetings and will try to chart a roadmap for the sub-region in tackling the different challenges. The session will be organized as a freeflowing discussion.

Moderator: Dr. Ivan Zveržhanovski, SEESAC Coordinator

1530 – 1545

Conclusions and next meeting