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Roadmap for a sustainable solution to the illegal possession, misuse and trafficking of SALW in the Western Balkans by 2024

Monitoring Framework (3rd Progress Report)

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ROADMAP IMPLEMENTATION:

Monitoring & Evaluation Framework

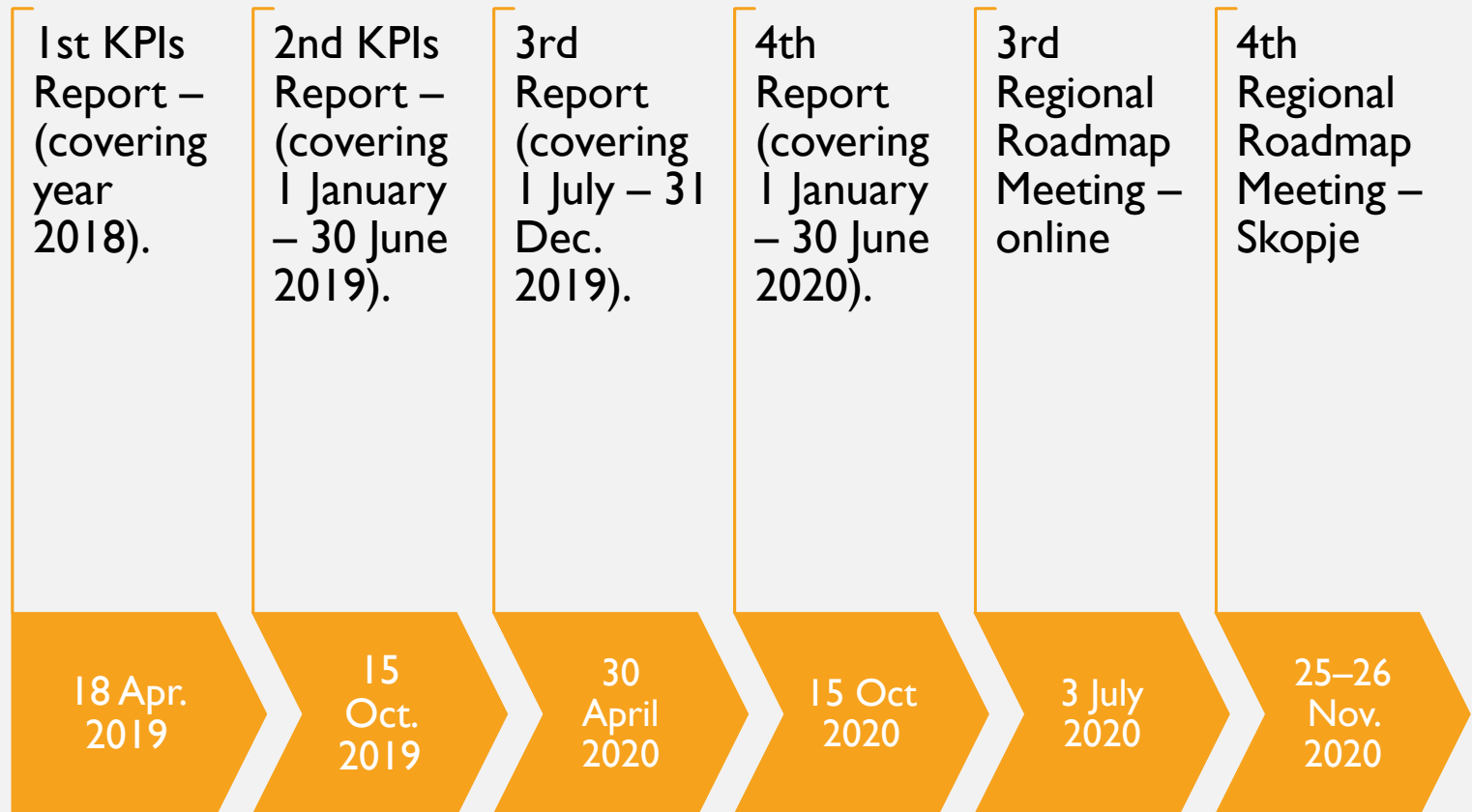
Coordinated implementation of the Roadmap for a sustainable solution to the illegal possession, misuse and trafficking of SALW/firearms and their ammunition in the Western Balkans:

- ✓ Formal regional Roadmap coordination meetings focusing on progress and information exchange (2xyear);
- ✓ Support to local coordination meetings (2xyear);
- ✓ Biannual M&E reports documenting the progress, challenges and needs in the Roadmap implementation, against the KPIs;
- ✓ Mid-term evaluation including capacity assessments prepared for the 6 Roadmap beneficiaries by 2021;

**KEY PERFORMANCE
INDICATORS – REPORTING**

- KPIs Reporting Framework further consulted and elaborated in consultation with the SALW Commissions in March 2020.
- Web-platform established allowing simultaneous uploading of data under each KPI and providing various levels of access.
- The SALW Commissions are responsible for collecting the required data and progress on activities as per Roadmap Goals, from all relevant institutions (except for KPI 5 and KPI 14).
- SEESAC is integrating the data into a regional report that will be shared with the EU, other donors, regional and international partners.

KEY MILESTONES



PROGRESS REPORT – GOAL 1



	2018	2019
Directive 2017/853 amending 91/477/EEC on control of the acquisition and possession of weapons	●	●
Regulation 258/2012 Article 10 of the (UN Firearms Protocol)	●	●
Regulation (EU) 2015/2403 establishing common guidelines on deactivation	●	●
Commission Implementing Directive (EU) 2019/68 for the marking of firearms	●	●
Commission Implementing Directive (EU) 2019/69 for technical specifications for alarm and signal weapon	●	●
Regulation (EU) 2019/1148 on the marketing and use of explosives precursors	●	●
Directive 2014/28/EU on the harmonization of the laws for supervision of CUE	●	●
Council Common Position 2008/944/CFSP defining common rules governing control of exports of military technology and equipment (MTE)	●	●
Common Military List of the European Union	●	●
Council Common Position 2003/468/CFSP on the control of arms brokering	●	●
Directive 2009/43/EC simplifying terms and conditions of transfers of defence-related products	●	●
Directive 2009/81/EC for the award of certain works contracts, in the fields of defense and security	●	●
Council Regulation (EC) No 428/2009 for the control of dual-use items	●	●
Arms Trade Treaty	●	●
UN Firearms Protocol	●	●

PROGRESS REPORT – GOAL 2 KEY FINDINGS (KPI 2,3,7,8)

By 2024, ensure that arms control policies and practices in the Western Balkans are evidence-based and intelligence-led.

- A SALW Commission is in place and in charge of coordination and monitoring of SALW Control Strategy (2017-2021);
- Firearms Focal Point operational, exchanging information, producing regularly analytical reports; serving as best practice throughout the region;
- Tracing of firearms conducted on regular basis. 184 requests for tracing sent and 177 requests received in 2019.
- No direct access to INTERPOL's iARMS or EUROPOL's SIENA; 56 lost/stolen firearms recorded in iARMS in the reporting period. Exchange of information ongoing still via UNMIK ILO and to EUROPOL through EULEX.

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- Supporting activities ongoing in increasing investigation and operational capacities of the police to tackle illicit arms trafficking and firearms criminality;
- Continued cooperation with EMPACT and participation in JAD;
- Standardized data recording and exchange among police-prosecution-courts on firearms related crimes still lacking.
- Number of illegal possession cases much higher than those of trafficking; Number of cases solved through adjudication or other means much lower in the reporting period (135vs1,031 reported cases). Reported cases for altering of markings in 2019.
- The Ballistics Lab has 5 accredited methods as per ISO 17025:2007 and it has extended its accreditation until 2023.

PROGRESS REPORT –
GOAL 3
KEY FINDINGS (KPI4,6,9)

By 2024, significantly reduce illicit flows of firearms, ammunition and explosives (FAE) into, within and beyond the Western Balkans.

Continuous trend of number of seizures inland much higher to those at the border in 2019; Highest number of seizures in the region;

	Inland seizures		Seizures at the border	
	2018	2019	2018	2019
	Cases	1,608	1,160	68
Firearms	1,473	1,439	52	19
Ammunition	23,941	30,438	2,113	1,379
Explosives	28,115 gr	65 pcs	0	0

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- Operational activities aiming to strengthen border control during the reporting period.
- Supporting activities to assess the needs and increase detection capacities of border posts and green border patrols reported.
- Initial operational mechanism in place for controlling explosive precursors reported, based on customs practice only.
- Regular attendance on regional processes and workshops during 2019 (including SEEFEN, SEEFEG, EMPACT workshops).
- No data collection for Global Firearms Study.
- Cooperation with international specialized agencies limited to information sharing.

PROGRESS REPORT – GOALS
4&5
KEY FINDINGS (KPI I0&I1)

By 2024, significantly reduce the supply, demand and misuse of firearms through increased awareness, education, outreach and advocacy.

By 2024, substantially decrease the estimated number of firearms in illicit possession in the Western Balkans.

- Majority of incidents committed with illegal firearms;
- Number of incidents with firearms significantly lower in 2019 (21vs 58). Number of murders with firearms in 2019 reduced. (16vs26)
- Outreach activities reported targeting private entities conducted upon request;
- Awareness activities targeting use of firearms in domestic violence and raising awareness among youth.
- No voluntary surrender of weapons and ammunition reported.
- Legalization ongoing during the reporting period, with the same rate of legalizations as per previous report.

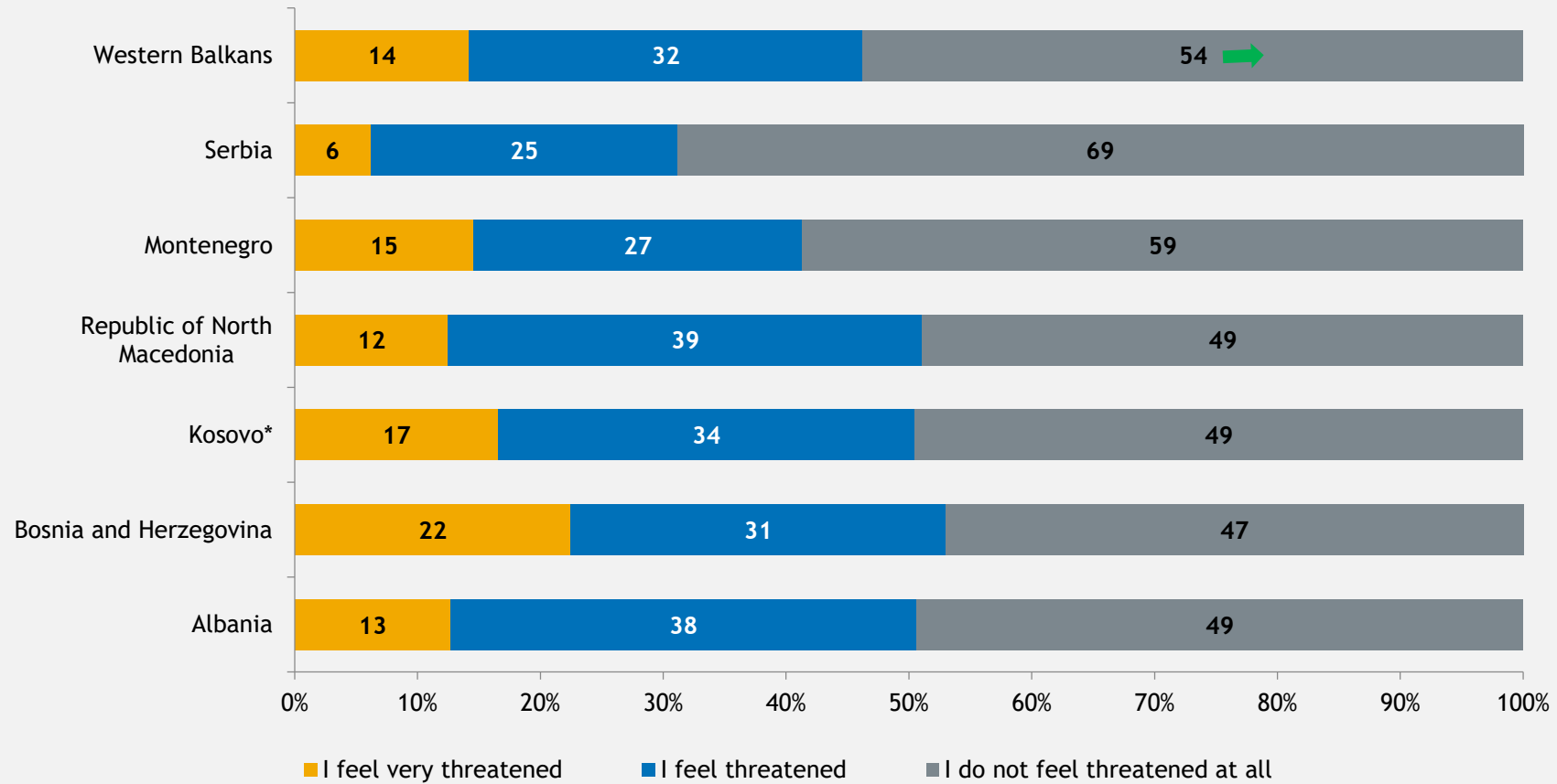
PROGRESS REPORT – GOALS 6&7 KEY FINDINGS (KPI 12&13)

Systematically decrease the surplus and destroy seized small arms and light weapons and ammunition

Significantly decrease the risk of proliferation and diversion of firearms, ammunition and explosives.

- High number of firearms confiscations reported.
- No surpluses reported while a total of 594 of confiscated SALW/firearms were destroyed.
- Inspection systems reported to be in place for private legal entities; About 100 inspections reported annually.
- Further trainings for inspectors and technical equipment for inspection identified as a need.
- Weapons/ammunition storages reported to be in line with IATGs.
- Number of civilian storages reported in gradual increase.
- 49 firearms reported lost/stolen from state agencies during the reporting period; significant increase from the previous period (4 firearms).

KPI 14 - Percentage of citizens satisfaction (disaggregated by age and gender) or feeling of safety on armed violence across the Western Balkans .



*References to Kosovo shall be understood to be in the context of Security Council Resolution 1244 (1999).



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