6th REGIONAL COORDINATION MEETING

1–2 DECEMBER 2021

Hybrid Setup (Online via Zoom)
DAY 1 – Wednesday, 1 December 2021

08:30 – 09:00  Access to the online platform. Link to access the meeting:
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMsceGhpzoqGNAExFrBmfl2f81c92qJNhMo

09:00 – 09:45  OPENING SESSION

Opening remarks by:
• H.E. Marjolijn van Deelen, EU Special Envoy for Non-proliferation and Disarmament, European External Action Service
• H.E. Jean-Claude Brunet, Ambassador-at-large on transitional criminal threats and the fight against the illicit trafficking of SALW, France
• Mr. Albrecht von Wittke, Director of Division, Conventional Arms Control, Federal Foreign Office, Germany
• Mr. Gerd Trogemann, Manager, UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub
• Mr. Amer Kapetanović, Head of Political Department, Regional Cooperation Council

Chair: Ms. Bojana Balon, Head of SEESAC

09:45 – 10:10  SESSION I – 6th REGIONAL ROADMAP PROGRESS REPORT – KEY FINDINGS

• 6th Regional Roadmap Progress Report/Key findings on Roadmap implementation based on KPIs and Roadmap Goals – Presentation by Ms. Juliana Buzi, Regional Cooperation Specialist, SEESAC (25 mins).

Chair: Ms. Bojana Balon, Head of SEESAC

10:10 – 11:30  SESSION II – IMPLEMENTATION OF GOAL 1 & 2 OF THE ROADMAP – PROGRESS, CHALLENGES, PLANS

• Updates on the status of implementation of Goal 1&2 of the Roadmap including, progress, key challenges and plans – Briefings by SALW Commissions (7 mins per briefing/update).

Updates will focus on the implementation status, actions taken during the reporting period and plans on:
• Adopting legal framework on the civilian and military use of firearms, ammunition and explosives aiming further harmonization with the EU Acquis;
• Compliance of legal framework related to firearms, ammunition and explosives with UN Firearms Protocol;
• Development of new strategies/action plans on arms control/Roadmap implementation (where relevant);
• Integration of gender perspective into legal and policy framework;
• Support identified and required.

Questions & Answers

GOAL 1
By 2023, ensure that arms control legislation is in place, fully harmonized with the EU regulatory framework and other related international obligations and standardized across the region.

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**GOAL 3**
By 2024, significantly reduce illicit flows of firearms, ammunition and explosives (FAE) into, within and beyond the Western Balkans.

Regional/International organizations are encouraged to contribute to discussions related to the updates by each SALW Commission.

Chair: Mr. Alain Lapon, Chief Technical Adviser, SEESAC

**11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break**

**12:00 – 13:45 SESSION III – IMPLEMENTATION OF GOAL 2 (Cont.) & 3 OF THE ROADMAP – PROGRESS, CHALLENGES, PLANS**

- Updates on the status of implementation of Goal 2 (Cont.) & 3 of the Roadmap including, progress, key challenges and plans – Briefings by SALW Commissions (10 mins per briefing/update, including any intervention from Prosecution Offices).

  Updates should focus on the implementation status, actions taken during the reporting period and plans on:

  - Strengthening the capacities of the Firearms Focal Points;
  
  - Strengthening of investigation capacities (including those for forensic examination) for firearm related crimes;
  
  - Preventing and countering trafficking of firearms, ammunition and explosives;
  
  - Bilateral, regional and international operational cooperation on firearm related crimes;
  
  - Number of cases of firearm related crimes reported and those prosecuted and adjudicated related to illicit manufacturing, trafficking, illicit possession and altering of markings;
  
  - Support identified and required.

Questions & Answers

Regional/International organizations are encouraged to contribute to any discussions related to the updates by each SALW Commission.

Chair: Mr. Slobodan Bošković, Project Officer, Conflict Prevention Centre/FSC Support Section, OSCE

**13:45 – 14:00 Conclusion of Day 1**
DAY 2 – Thursday, 2 December 2021

09:00 – 10:15  SESSION IV – IMPLEMENTATION OF GOAL 4 & 5 OF THE ROADMAP – PROGRESS, CHALLENGES, PLANS

- Updates on the status of implementation of Goal 4&5 of the Roadmap including, progress, key challenges and plans – Briefings by SALW Commissions (6 mins per briefing/update).

  Updates should focus on the implementation status, actions taken during the reporting period and plans on:
  - Awareness and outreach among licensed private and legal entities, including FAE producers;
  - Increasing awareness among general population, of the danger of misuse and illicit possession of FAE;
  - Any legal measures taken allowing for voluntary surrender and/or legalization of firearms;
  - Deactivation as a tool to reduce illegal possession of firearms;
  - Support identified and required.

Questions & Answers

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Chair: Mr. Edin Serezlic, Joint Programme Coordinator, UNDP


- Updates on status of implementation of Goal 6&7 of the Roadmap including, progress, key challenges and plans - Briefings by SALW Commissions (6 mins per briefing/update)

  Updates should focus on the implementation status, actions taken during the reporting period and plans on:
  - Surplus and confiscated firearms, ammunition and explosives as well as activities related to their destruction;
  - Improving the security infrastructure of armed forces and law enforcement SALW/firearms and ammunition storage facilities;
  - Overseeing firearms and ammunition stocks of legal entities and individuals in legal possession of firearms;
  - Support identified and required.

Questions & Answers

Regional/International organizations are encouraged to contribute to discussions related to the updates by each SALW Commission.

Chair: Mr. Ermin Pešto, Assistant Minister of Security, Bosnia and Herzegovina
11:30 - 12:00  Coffee Break

12:00 – 12:50  SESSION VI – FUNDING SUPPORT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ROADMAP

- Update on funding mechanisms and donor support through these mechanisms in support of the implementation of the Roadmap (OSCE, NATO and UN);
- Updates by donors on current or new planned funding.

Chair: Ms. Jorida Shytaj, Political Department, Regional Cooperation Council

12:50 – 13:00  Conclusions of the Meeting

Mr. Emmanuel Vallens, Policy Officer, DG Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission