



THE WESTERN BALKANS SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS CONTROL ROADMAP

MULTI-PARTNER TRUST FUND



ABOUT

The **Western Balkans Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) Control Roadmap Multi-Partner Trust Fund (MPTF)** was established by UNDP, UNODC and the UN MPTF Office as a key funding mechanism for the implementation of the Regional Roadmap for SALW Control in the Western Balkans.

The Trust Fund supports projects implemented in the area of SALW control that contribute to the achievement of the Western Balkans SALW Control Roadmap goals and are in line with the priorities of the targeted jurisdictions.

CONTRIBUTIONS AND COMMITMENTS

Federal Republic of Germany	US\$4.9 MILLION
Home Office of the Government of the United Kingdom	US\$2.6 MILLION
Government of France	US\$1 MILLION
Government Offices of Sweden, represented by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs	US\$0.7 MILLION
Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs	US\$0.6 MILLION
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands	US\$1.7 MILLION
TOTAL	US\$11.5 MILLION

The MPTF Office publishes all the financial information on the MPTFO Gateway, at mptf.undp.org.

WHY CONTRIBUTE TO THE TRUST FUND?

BEST USE OF RESOURCES

Your contribution is carefully allocated to the most pertinent areas and activities in SALW control to avoid duplication of efforts, reduce fragmentation and ensure complementarity with other similar activities.

HIGHER IMPACT

Your contribution is commingled with contributions from other donors, as part of the pooled funding mechanism to implement broader interventions with more sustainable results.

INCREASED EFFICIENCY

A pooled fund operates as a pass-through mechanism, offering flexibility to participating organizations to handle implementation according to their own operating procedures for procurement and financial management. By avoiding duplication of operating procedures, pass-through mechanisms minimize implementation delays and transaction costs.

INCREASED DECISION-MAKING POWER

The top three donors are able to take part in the Trust Fund Steering Committee, together with France, Germany and the EU. The Steering Committee members enjoy decision-making power, including on the selection of project proposals and provision of the strategic direction of the Trust Fund.

INCREASED VISIBILITY

Your contribution benefits from increased visibility among the Western Balkans governments and other key stakeholders working in the area of SALW control in this region.



HOW ARE THE DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS ALLOCATED?

Funds can be allocated through time-bound calls for proposals, year-round open calls for proposals, or direct solicitation of proposals. The Trust Fund's Steering Committee decides on the modality to be employed and approves the allocation of funds.

UNDP and UNODC, who signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the MPTF Office, are the implementing organizations of the funds. The organizations assume full programmatic and financial accountability for the funds disbursed to them.

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projects

have been approved for funding so far, following the first call for proposals launched in 2019:

1

Halting Arms and Lawbreaking Trade (HALT) in Bosnia and Herzegovina, implemented by UNDP Bosnia and Herzegovina and UNODC, in the amount of US\$2,200,000

2

Criminal Justice Response Against Arms Trafficking (regional project), implemented by UNODC, in the amount of US\$1,900,000

3

Support to Combating Illicit Arms Trafficking in Kosovo* for Criminal Police (CPIAT), implemented by UNDP Kosovo, in the amount of US\$660,000

4

Urgent Action on Ammunition Destruction - Project EXPLODE+, implemented by UNDP Bosnia and Herzegovina, in the amount of US\$583,546

A second call for project proposals will be launched, with a focus on **countering illicit possession, misuse and trafficking of firearms**, including through raising awareness and/or weapons collection, improving criminal justice response and addressing the impact on women and men.

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

HOW IS THE PROPER MANAGEMENT OF THE FUNDS ENSURED?

The Trust Fund governance structure is made up of the Steering Committee, the Secretariat and the MPTF Office.

The **Steering Committee** consists of representatives from the implementing organizations (UNDP and UNODC), Germany, France and the EU, and top three donors of the Trust Fund. The Steering Committee provides general oversight, overall accountability and the strategic direction of the Trust Fund. It also decides on the allocation of funds, oversees the implementation of funded projects and keeps track of the overall progress towards the planned results.

The functions of the **Secretariat** are performed by SEESAC. The Secretariat is responsible for the programmatic coordination and monitoring of the Trust Fund, providing technical and management support to the Steering Committee. The Secretariat is not part of the Steering Committee and does not have the right to vote.

The Trust Fund is administered by the **MPTF Office**.

HOW CAN YOU CONTRIBUTE?

Contributions to the Trust Fund may be accepted from governments, regional bodies, inter-governmental organizations, non-governmental organizations, businesses, foundations and individuals. Contributions will be unearmarked and will be made based on a Standard Administrative Agreement.

To contribute or get further information, please contact the SEESAC office at: seesac@undp.org.

ABOUT THE REGIONAL ROADMAP FOR SALW CONTROL IN THE WESTERN BALKANS

The *Roadmap for a sustainable solution to the illegal possession, misuse and trafficking of SALW and their ammunition in the Western Balkans, by 2024* was jointly developed by the Western Balkans authorities, under the auspices of Germany and France, in coordination with the European Union, and with the technical support of the South Eastern and Eastern Europe Clearinghouse for the Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SEESAC).

The Roadmap is the most comprehensive arms control exercise in the region, covering all key aspects from securing the stockpiles of weapons and ammunition to mainstreaming gender in SALW control and countering firearms trafficking. It represents a firm commitment to addressing the threats posed by the misuse and illicit possession of weapons in the Western Balkans and Europe at large and is a result of strong cooperation on SALW control in the region, which SEESAC has fostered since 2002. The Roadmap contributes to the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals 5 and 16, as well as to sustaining peace in the Western Balkans, and is a model with global applicability.

The Roadmap was adopted during the Interiors and Security Ministers' Meeting of the Western Balkans Summit organized in London, on 10 July 2018.

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