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## Promoting Discussion on an Arms Trade Treaty

Regional Seminar for countries in the Middle East  
28-29 July 2009  
Amman, Jordan

### AGENDA

#### **Monday, 27 July 2009**

During the day: arrival of participants

18:30–19:00 **Registration**

#### **DAY 1**

#### **Tuesday, 28 July 2009**

08:30–09:00 **Registration**

09:00–10:45 **Opening Session**

Chair: Christiane Agboton-Johnson, United Nations Institute for  
Disarmament Research

Opening remarks:

HRH Prince Mired bin Raa'd Al- Hussein, Jordan

Ambassador Bertil Roth, Swedish Presidency of the European  
Union

Presentations:

*Developments and Processes within the United Nations*  
Pamela Maonga, Conventional Arms Branch, UN Office for  
Disarmament Affairs, New York

*Civil Society's Contribution to the ATT process in the region*  
Fadi Abi-Allam, Permanent Peace Movement, Lebanon

10:45–11:15 Coffee break

11:15–13:00 **SESSION I: General overview of arms trade and the proposed ATT**

Chair: Saja Majali, Counselor, Jordan Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Presentations:

*Overview of Arms Transfers – globally and in the region*  
Sam Perlo-Freeman, Researcher, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute

*Parameters, scope and implications of an arms trade treaty*  
Perrine Le Meur, Fondation pour la Recherche Stratégique

Discussion.

13:00–15:00 Lunch at conference venue

15:00–16:15 **SESSION II: Some components of the proposed ATT and its links with other instruments**

Chair: Ambassador Roberto Garcia Moritan, Chair of the UN Open-Ended Working Group towards an ATT

Presentations:

*Key messages from the previous regional seminars of the EU-UNIDIR Project*  
Elli Kytömäki, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

*Transparency in Arms Transfers – case of the UN Conventional Arms Register*  
Yuriy Kryvonos, Secretary of the Group of Governmental Experts on the Register

Discussion.

16:15–16:30 Coffee break

16:30–17:30 **SESSION III: Regional perspectives related to the proposed ATT**

Chair: Ambassador Bertil Roth, Swedish Presidency of the European Union

Presentations:

*Regional perspectives on an arms trade treaty*  
Fadi Achaia, League of Arab States Secretariat

*Example of operationalizing arms transfer criteria – EU Common Position*

Carolin Thielking, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Germany

Discussion.

**19:00–20:30 Reception**

## DAY 2

### Wednesday, 29 July 2009

09:00–10:15 **SESSION IV: Other ideas discussed as part of the proposed ATT**

Chair: Fabio della Piazza, Office of the Personal Representative of the High Representative on Non-proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction, Secretariat of the Council of the European Union

Presentations:

*ATT and its possible transfer criteria- some views from the civil society*

Sherif Azer, Egyptian Organization for Human Rights

*ATT and International Humanitarian Law*

Camilla Waszink, International Committee of the Red Cross

10:15–10:45 Coffee break

10:45–13:00 **SESSION V: Parallel working group sessions: further exploration of an ATT – regional perspectives**

13:00–15:00 Lunch at conference venue

15:00–16:30 **SESSION VI: Roundtable – Next Steps: Gathering ideas, recommendations and suggestions**

Chair: Fadi Achaia, League of Arab States Secretariat

Presentation of results from the working groups: priorities, challenges and the way forward.

Discussion.

16:30–17:00 **Closing Session**

Chair: Christiane Agboton-Johnson, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

*Summary of the seminar discussions*

Elli Kytömäki, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

Closing remarks:

Fabio della Piazza, Office of the Personal Representative of the  
High Representative on Non-proliferation of Weapons of Mass  
Destruction, Secretariat of the Council of the European Union

Saja Majali, Counselor, Jordan Ministry of Foreign Affairs

17:00–17:30 **Press Conference**