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## Promoting Discussion on an Arms Trade Treaty

Regional Seminar in Vienna, Austria  
11 February 2010

### AGENDA

#### Thursday, 11 February 2010

08:30–09:00 **Registration**

09:00–10:30 **Opening Session**

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

Opening remarks:

Ambassador Alexander Marschik  
Austrian Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs

Ambassador Consuelo Femenía  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Spain, on behalf of the European Union

Presentations:

*Developments and Processes within the United Nations*  
Daniel Prins, UN Office for Disarmament Affairs

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

*Civil Society's Contribution to the ATT process in wider Europe*  
Bernardo Mariani, Arms Transfer Controls Adviser, Saferworld

10:30–10:45 Coffee break

10:45–13:00 **SESSION I: General overview of arms trade and the proposed ATT  
– international and regional perspectives**

Chair: Ambassador Christian Strohal  
Permanent Representative of Austria to the Specialized UN Agencies,  
to the WTO and to the Conference on Disarmament at Geneva

Presentations:

*Overview of Arms Transfers – globally and in the region*  
Paul Holtom, Leader of the Arms Transfers Programme, Stockholm  
International Peace Research Institute

*From regional to international norms – OSCE’s work on improving  
arms transfer controls*  
Mathew Geertsens, Conflict Prevention Centre, OSCE Secretariat

*Example of operationalizing arms transfer criteria – EU Common  
Position*  
Malcolm Russell, Counter Proliferation Department, British Foreign and  
Commonwealth Office

13:00–14:30 Lunch at conference venue

14:30–16:15 **SESSION II: Parallel working group sessions: addressing some  
key aspects of an ATT**

16:15–16:30 Coffee break

16:30–17:30 **SESSION VI: Roundtable – Next Steps:  
Gathering ideas, recommendations and suggestions**

Chair: Ivan Zverzhanovski  
Programme Officer, SEESAC

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

Discussion.

17:30–18:00 **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

Ambassador Christian Strohal  
Permanent Representative of Austria to the Specialized UN Agencies,  
to the WTO and to the Conference on Disarmament at Geneva

**18:00-19:30 Reception**