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Welcome from the European Union



During the last months the world has not become more secure, quite the contrary, and this has unfortunately had an impact on our lives. Today's regional and global security threats are broad and shifting. They are growing in number and in complexity. In this context, export controls remain an important tool to enhance global security and facilitate legitimate trade. All achievements over the last decades including international technology

exchange, open markets and enhanced trade flows are challenged in view of the current security environment. The European Commission with its recast proposal of September 2016 suggests a way forward in order to better address these challenges by modernising the EU's legal framework and implementation for dual-use export controls.

The EU P2P programme continues to promote security objectives in a systematic and cooperative way. Through this programme, the European Union seeks to remain a reliable partner for third countries by enhancing cooperation and sharing export control standards with them. The underpinning objective is to bolster the resilience of third countries in the export control domain and create a win-win situation between partner countries and the European Union.

Since the last newsletter, we are pleased to report the approval by the Foreign Affairs Council on 6 March 2017 of the [updated Common Military List](#) and the 18th Annual Report on Arms Exports. The former was published in the Official Journal on 28 March 2017 and is also available on the EEAS website. The Annual Report will be published in the Official Journal shortly.

This current issue of the EU P2P Newsletter presents the host of activities that took place over the last six months in the framework of all three aspects covered by the P2P programme: dual-use export controls, conventional arms exports and the Arms Trade Treaty implementation. In addition, the Newsletter provides an insight into some further EU export control related events and developments that have taken place during this period.

We hope that you will enjoy reading the various articles and programme updates.

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Export Control News

Update of the Correlation Table with customs and Dual-Use Codes

10 March 2017

On 10 March 2017, the Commission updated the Combined Nomenclature (CN) and Dual-Use classification (DU) Correlation table. This update followed shortly after the update on 17 January 2017. On the one hand, it includes the amendments of the EU Dual-Use export control list that came into force on 16 November 2016 in line with the decisions taken within the framework of the international non-proliferation regimes and export control arrangements in 2015. On the other hand, it includes amendments of the CN customs codes in line with the Common Customs Tariff 2017.

The March 2017 version of the CN-DU Correlation Table is available at [DG Trade Website](#).

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Seventh Meeting of the Chaudfontaine Group "Incentives of non-proliferation outreach activities: actors and rationale"

8-10 January 2017



The seventh edition of the Chaudfontaine Group was held from 8 to 10 January 2017, with the support of DG DEVCO of the European Commission.

This seventh edition focused on *"Incentives of non-proliferation outreach activities: actors and rationale"*. The objective of the seminar was to debate WMD dual-use goods trade control outreach activities, also in the light of the European Commission's proposal for a new EU dual-use legislation,



which makes a clear link between the internal and external dimensions of dual-use trade controls.

The seminar was divided into three main sessions. The first session was dedicated to the recast of the EU dual use trade legislation. It focused on new developments and policy objectives presented during the last months, also by taking stock of the actors involved in dual-use trade controls outreach activities. In particular, this first session analysed activities conducted by international donors (regimes, states, organisations, industries) and tried to identify their respective contribution.

The second session explored the possibility for outreach activities to work as tool to develop international trade standards. The aim of this session was to highlight how outreach activities contribute to develop standards of the international trade of the partner countries, including trade agreements with EU third countries.

The third session followed the same logic of the second session, but with a focus on security. The aim, in fact, was to explore the possibility to use outreach activities as tool for the enhancement of partner countries' national security policies, and more broadly international security, taking into account the new global developments and the raising new challenges (e.g. counter-terrorism and hybrid threats which have close links to dual-use trade controls activities).

The Chaudfontaine Group was established in 2010 by Professor Quentin Michel (European Studies Unit - University of Liège) with the aim of inviting young professionals working in government and industry, researchers coming from European academic institutions and officials of the European Union, in their personal capacity, to discuss national legal norms and practices relating to issues of strategic trade control.

The participants contribute actively to the debates during the three-day seminars at Chaudfontaine (Belgium) and prepare brief presentations, individually or in small groups.

Based on the outcome of the discussions, participants submit written contributions with the aim of participating to a collective scientific publication.

Up to date, seven editions of the Chaudfontaine Group have been held, discussing the following themes:

- First Edition, in 2010, "*The political responsibility of industrial operators in trade: the blurring of differences between sensitive and classical industrial items*". In this occasion, the Group gathered under the aegis of the Belgian Presidency of the Council of the European Union.



- Second Edition, in 2011, *"The Green Paper on the dual-use export control system of the European Union: ensuring security and competitiveness in a changing world"*. The Group was invited to contribute to the elaboration of the Green Paper and its ensuing report was included in the forward-looking document of the European Commission.
- Third edition, in 2012, *"European dual-use trade controls: Beyond materiality and borders"*. The Group was convened to an exchange of views on the effectiveness of export controls, challenged by the flow of intangible goods and the practice of extraterritorial application of national laws;
- Fourth Edition, in 2013, *"Universal trade control regime versus regional export control model(s)"*. The Group discussed on the possibility of establishing a universal trade control regime, taking into account the European model and the practice of African States;
- Fifth Edition, in 2014, *"Concepts and parameters of essential elements of a trade control system"*. In this occasion, a new methodology (called "3WH") was discussed for assisting and accompanying European Union's third States in their process of elaboration of trade control rules;
- Sixth Edition, in 2015, *"Sensitive trade control and sanctions: implementing embargoes and penalties in case of violations"*. The aim of this edition was to analyse the effectiveness of penalties in case of infringement of the controls and the effects of sanctions against a country found in breach with its international obligations.

Export Control Forum 2016

12 December 2016

The Export Control Forum 2016 took place in Brussels on December 12 2016. It brought together 250 participants representing a diversity of stakeholders, including experts from Member States and the European Parliament, industry associations and dual-use exporters, and civil society representatives (NGOs, universities and research centres). All key EU industry associations were represented, as well as exporters from a variety of high-tech sectors, including electronics, mechanical, chemical and nuclear technologies, security and defence, information and telecommunication, avionics and aerospace.





The main topic of the Forum was the Commission proposal for a modernisation of the EU strategic export control (COM(2016)616). The speakers and the audience discussed the latest technological and geopolitical challenges in strategic export control, including the human security dimension, the optimisation of the licensing architecture, the convergence of catch-all controls, and the control of dual-use research and intangible technology transfers.

The report of Export Control Forum 2016 is available at [DG TRADE website](#).

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EU Concluding Conference on support for implementation of the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Brussels *29-30 November 2016*

The end of the EU's three-year programme in support of the implementation of the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) was marked by a two-day Conference for beneficiary countries, held in Brussels on 29 - 30 November. The conference was organised by the German Federal Office for Economic Affairs and Export Control (BAFA) as the implementing agency of the Council Decision (2013/768/CFSP) under the responsibility of the COARM Chair. The aim of the meeting was to look at the results and outcomes of the project and to allow partner countries, project managers and experts, regional organisations and civil society to discuss cooperation within the project and ideas for the next phase.



Fourteen of the fifteen beneficiary countries attended: Burkina Faso, Ghana, Senegal, Cote d'Ivoire, Togo and Zambia from Africa; Colombia, Peru, Costa Rica, Jamaica and Barbados from Latin America and the Caribbean; Cambodia and Philippines from Asia; and Georgia from Eastern Europe and the Caucasus. Only Dominican Republic was absent. In addition, regional organisations CARICOM, and UNREC and UNLIREC (for the UN), and civil society organisations: SIPRI, Small Arms Survey, Control Arms, Saferworld and GRIP, participated. The COARM Chair opened and closed the Conference and chaired a session on the concept for ATT OP-II. The Commission (FPI) was also represented.

Participants were active in highlighting the achievements reached as a result of the project, and in expressing both their thanks to the EU and their interest in continuing the cooperation. Good practical follow up was identified in the lessons learnt sessions: this will be taken into account in preparing the next phase of ATT support (ATT Outreach Programme II). A number of NGOs active in the arms export control field spoke about the outcomes of the Second Conference of States Parties to the ATT in August 2016 and the implementation challenges ahead. The discussion, involving the regional organisations as well, touched upon the challenges of coordinating outreach activities among the different donors in the field.

Some key points from the presentations and discussion are as follows:

- Altogether the activities of the EU project, which included regional seminars in addition to activities in the nine 'Roadmap Countries', had addressed a total of 113 countries worldwide, and involved working with experts from 57 countries including government officials, civil society, the UN and other regional organisations.
- The activities covered awareness-raising, legal, licensing, enforcement, prosecution and sanctions, and transparency aspects. While there was a continuing demand for support in the latter areas in particular, it was recognised that some specialised awareness-raising, particularly for customs officials, was still needed.
- Small island states had particular challenges: their shared borders were the seas. Solutions reached for countries with a large land mass were not appropriate for them and a tailored approach was therefore needed.
- Participants stressed the challenge of the illicit trafficking of small arms and the importance of effective stockpile management. Also important was having neighbouring countries sharing the same vision and objectives.
- Participants also recognised the need to sensitise different groups: not just government officials including customs officials, but parliaments, civil society, industry and even schools. Lack of political will from authorities was seen as a challenge, as was having the



necessary expertise to adopt a new legal framework and to gather the necessary data for reporting, including establishing databases.

- Looking to the future, the importance of good preparations in advance, including using background information on the country, was highlighted. The experience of both local NGOs and regional organisations could be helpful in this regard. Several participants recommended having greater flexibility in the project, making more use of regional experts which would reduce costs, and having 'project experts on call' to respond to issues, particularly time-critical ones, that might come up outside the formal activity.
- The need to avoid duplication in donor activity was stressed, as was the importance of donor follow up.

As the first such event organised under a Council Decision in the area of arms export control, the feedback on the Conference was positive, with beneficiary countries expressing interest in continuing to be involved in the second phase of the project.

EU Non Proliferation and Disarmament Conference

3-4 November 2016

The [fifth EU Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Conference](#), organised by the EU Non-Proliferation Consortium, took place on 3-4 November 2016 in Brussels. It was opened by High representative/Vice-President Federica Mogherini who underscored the importance of looking for new solutions, new initiatives and new pathways towards a more peaceful global order, as the international environment becomes more confrontational.

"This is what our Global Strategy means when it talks about "widening" the system of global governance. We are working constantly to implement existing treaties on non-proliferation and disarmament, and to expand their membership. But we also need to tackle proliferation crises when they arise, seeking creative solutions and investing in multilateral formats, as we did with Iran," she stressed in the [video message](#) opening the conference.

The conference was the largest thus far with around three hundred participants from over sixty countries and international organisations, including Kim Won-soo, UN High Representative for



Disarmament Affairs and Dr Lassina Zerbo, Executive Secretary of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organisation.

As in previous years, the conference addressed key areas of interest for Europe's non-proliferation community, notably deterrence and disarmament, analysis of the Iran Deal one year on, and the role of disruptive technologies on security and non-proliferation. Special sessions were devoted to a wide range of topics, including conventional arms control, the non-weaponisation of space, disarmament of biological and chemical weapons, missile defence, regional security in Asia and the Middle East and the threat of non-state actors.

This year's EU Non-proliferation and Disarmament Conference demonstrated once again the European Union's strong commitment and support to non-proliferation and disarmament in a complex and rapidly evolving global and regional security context.



EU P2P: Dual-Use Trade Control Programme

First Legal Workshop in Beirut, Lebanon

28 February-1 March 2017

The EU P2P Consortium organised together with the National Focal Point (Lebanese Atomic Energy Commission, Presidency of the Council of Ministers) a workshop on the legal framework of the Lebanon for dual-use trade controls, in Beirut on 28 February and 1 March 2017.

The objective of the workshop was to present and discuss with local experts the existing laws and regulations of Lebanon that establish controls on trade, and study the possibilities for enhancing specific controls on the international trade of dual-use items that can be technically diverted to proliferation and non-peaceful purposes. 17 participants from the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, the Lebanese Atomic Energy Commission (Ministry of Health), the Customs, the Lebanese Armed Forces, the Internal Security Forces and the Ministries of Agriculture, Industry and Economy and Trade shared their experiences and contributed to defining actions for a national dual-use trade control system based on existing mechanisms and available international best practices.

After fruitful exchanges of views and reporting

on current control practices, it emerged that stakeholders in the workshop share similar aspirations concerning the way forward for the adoption and implementation of a dual-use trade control framework in Lebanon. The general consensus is to amend the current legal framework, in accordance with the national Customs Law, and define a licencing process based on the competences already exercised by sectorial Ministries and complemented - where necessary - by inter-ministerial coordination mechanisms.

The experts committed to engaging with interested parties in the EU in order to move this process forward under the European Union P2P Programme. (Author: Vincent Trouvé)



Group Picture of First Legal Workshop in Beirut, Lebanon





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Group Picture of the First National Training Session in Pristina

Second Legal Review in Shkoder, Albania (EU P2P-EXBS)

21-22 February 2017

On 21 and 22 February, a representative of the EU P2P Programme on Export Control of Dual-Use Goods participated at the legal review meeting on Albanian export controls law.



Second Legal Review in Shkoder, Albania

The event was hosted by the EXBS and supported with experts from Austria and USA and one EU P2P expert from Croatia. The

objective of the meeting was to contribute to drafting the primary law in order to be in line with the EU dual use regulation. The discussion focused on a number of issues such as definitions, assessment criteria, competences of the State export control body (AKSHE), information exchange and inter-agency cooperation, licensing procedures, exemptions and penal provisions. (Author: Vincent Trouvé)

First National Training Session in Pristina, Kosovo

15-16 February 2017

In the framework of the EU P2P Programme on Export Control of Dual-Use Goods, the first national seminar in Kosovo* took place from 15-16 February in Pristina. The seminar gathered relevant authorities involved in strategic trade controls such as the Ministry of Trade and Industry, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of



Kosovo Security Force, Police, Customs and State Prosecutor Office.

The first session of the seminar was dedicated to an Interagency Cooperation Exercise. The objective was to provide to Kosovar experts a better understanding on interagency cooperation and deepen their knowledge in this field.

The second session of the seminar focused on investigation and prosecution aspects including unique challenges faced in the enforcement of dual-use export controls. The presentations and questions highlighted the need for enforcement personnel to develop both a bespoke understanding of national and international export controls and a close working relationship among all authorities involved in a field that is still developing in Kosovo.

Experts from France, Latvia, Slovenia and the United Kingdom shared their knowledge with senior managers and practitioners from different export control authorities in Kosovo*. The participants had also an opportunity to exchange views on the implementation of the current export control system and possible improvements. (Author: Vincent Trouvé)

** This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSC 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence*

First Legal Workshop in Phnom Penh, Cambodia *14-15 February 2017*

The EU P2P Consortium led by Expertise France organised together with the National Authority for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (NACW) and its General Secretariat a workshop on the legal framework of the Kingdom of Cambodia in relation to dual-use trade controls in Phnom Penh on 14 and 15 February 2017.

The objective of the workshop was to present and discuss with local experts the laws and regulations of Cambodia that establish presently controls on trade and explore the possibility to introduce controls on the international trade of dual-use items that can be technically diverted to proliferation and non-peaceful purposes. 21 participants from the NACW General Secretariat as well as the Ministries of Defence, Interior, Justice, Commerce, Health, Agriculture, and Ministry of Mines and Energy shared their experiences and contributed to defining necessary steps for a national dual-use trade control system on the basis of existing mechanisms and available international best practices.



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First Legal Workshop in Phnom Penh, Cambodia

After an extensive and lively discussion, it emerged that stakeholders in the workshop share similar aspirations concerning the way forward for the adoption and implementation of dual-use trade control legislation in Cambodia. There is a consensus to amend the current legal framework that covers CBRN controls and define responsibilities for the different national agencies currently involved in export and import procedures building thereby an inter-agency process.

The experts committed to engaging with interested parties in the EU in order to move this process forward under the EU P2P Programme.

(Author: Vincent Trouvé)

Interagency Cooperation Sub-Regional Exercise in Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina

8-9 February 2017

In the framework of the EUP2P Programme on Export Control of Dual-Use Goods, a sub-regional seminar in South East Europe region took place from 8-9 February in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The seminar was attended by licensing and customs authorities dealing with strategic trade controls from Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro. The seminar included an Interagency Cooperation Exercise with a view to training the different authorities concerned by export controls. The exercise allowed participants to gain a better understanding of interagency cooperation issues at both national and regional level.



Picture of the Interagency Cooperation Sub-regional Exercise in Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina

The participants expressed their satisfaction for the practice-oriented approach and work in small groups which allowed them to interact and learn from each other in a direct way.



Picture of Regional EEC Investigation & Prosecution Experts' Workshop in Tbilisi, Georgia

Indeed, the participants had a chance to discuss national experiences and exchange best practices concerning the licensing and practical implementation of controls.

EU Experts from Croatia and Slovenia as well as expert from Serbia support this event by providing guidance for individual teams and presenting national practices.

(Author: Vincent Trouvé)

Regional EEC Investigation & Prosecution Experts' Workshop in Tbilisi, Georgia

1-2 February 2017

On February 1 - 2, 2017 in Tbilisi, Georgia, the EU P2P Programme on Export Control of Dual-Use Goods in collaboration with Georgia Revenue Service organized a regional seminar on investigation and prosecution aspects of trade controls.

The event involved 15 representatives from Eastern Europe and Caucasus partner countries (Armenia, Georgia and Ukraine) from the prosecution, investigation and licensing units. The participants discussed challenges in the process of investigation and prosecution of export control law violations with the support of EU Experts from Belgium, France, Netherlands and Slovenia.

The discussions took place in small working groups and addressed different aspects of investigation and prosecution issues such as effective detection of suspicious cases, challenges in establishing complete cases for legal review by the courts and assessment of the effectiveness of national penalties (administrative and/or criminal). Overall, the event provided a great deal of opportunities for regional networking and exchange of information. (Author: Vincent Trouvé)



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Group picture of EUP2P CIT for Technical Reach Back Specialists in Ispra, Italy

CIT for Technical Reach Back Specialists in Ispra, Italy

25-27 January 2017

On 25-27 January 2017, the EU P2P Programme on dual-use goods held an event on commodity identification for technical reach back specialists at the EU's Joint Research Centre in Ispra, Italy.

One of the goals of the event was to facilitate the creation of networks of technical experts that can share experience and provide mutual support to one another in the future.

The event was attended by 21 participants representing 10 EU P2P partner countries - United Arab Emirates, Tunisia, Serbia, Georgia, Ukraine, Armenia, Malaysia, Singapore, Philippines, and Thailand. This was a particularly successful seminar in part because it took place at the EU's Joint Research Centre which hosts

several dual-use items. The event allowed the participants to gain hands-on experience in commodity identification of items that they might be called to inspect physically.

Overall, the organisation of the event at the JRC's premises allowed for displaying dozens of potentially controlled items – many of which the participants had not previously seen. This fact coupled with the exercise-driven nature of the discussions resulted in a high level of engagement of the participants (Author: Vincent Trouvé)

Third Training Session in Dubai, United Arab Emirates

10-11 January 2017

The EU P2P Project on Dual-Use Goods Trade Control co-organised with the Executive Office of the Committee for Goods and Material



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Group Picture of the Third Training Session in Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Subject to Import and Export Control -Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates- the third of three workshops on dual-use goods trade control on 10 and 11 January 2017 in Dubai.

This training was dedicated to the interdiction of shipments that may contribute to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and to inter-agency cooperation. Importantly, the training included a simulation exercise, based on a scenario involving potential proliferators and a diversity of authorities and stakeholders who at play in the application of the controls.

Participants from key authorities in charge of controlling risks associated to international transactions on dual-use goods were represented and actively participated in lectures

and exercises conducted by European experts. The UAE partners emphasised the importance of the collaboration with the European Union through such training and exercises for maintaining the national trade control system up-to-date with the international best practices and enhancing its effectiveness and efficiency further on. (Author: Vincent Trouvé)

First National Customs Training Session in Belgrade, Serbia

7-8 December 2016

In the framework of the EU P2P Project on Export Control of Dual-Use Goods, the first national training session dedicated to Customs topics took place on 7-8 December in Belgrade, Serbia.

The focus of the seminar which addressed relevant departments in the Serbian Customs Administration and license authority was on role



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Group picture of the First National Customs Training Session in Belgrade, Serbia

of different customs departments in export controls as well as procedures for information exchange, coordination and cooperation. The discussion touched also upon ways for mapping the dual-use industry. In this regards, a practical exercise was conducted with the aim of allowing Serbian partners to grasp all the dimensions of the issue and work further on it.

Additionally, the participants had a chance to discuss issues such as the implementation and enforcement of dual-use export control law, and other questions and problems that came up since the last time that the Customs experts of

the EU P2P project visited the Serbian Customs Administration EU Experts from Belgium, Netherlands and Slovenia supported this event by presenting national practices, case studies and practical exercises. (Author: Vincent Trouvé)

First Training Session in Vientiane, Laos

21-25 November 2016

The first training session on export controls of dual-use goods was organized in Vientiane, Lao PDR from 21 to 25 November 2016 within the framework of the EU Partner-to-Partner dual-use Project.

The session was opened by the Deputy Director



Group photo of the First Training Session in Vientiane, Laos



General of the Department of Import and Export (DIMEX) - Ministry of Industry and Commerce, and the Head of Department of Development Cooperation, at the Delegation of the EU to Lao PDR.

The training was part of the first workshop of the programme and was attended by representatives of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Ministry of Finances, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Science and Technology, Ministry of Post and Telecommunication, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Ministry of Transport and Public Works, Ministry of Public Security and Ministry of National Defence.

(Author: Vincent Trouvé)

National Workshop on the Implementation of International Requirements for Nuclear Import-Export Control in Dubai, United Arab Emirates
15-17 November 2016

A representative from the EU P2P Dual-use Project attended and contributed to the National Workshop on the Implementation of International Requirements for Nuclear Import-Export Control in the United Arab Emirates, organised by the national Federal Nuclear Regulatory Authority in Dubai from 15-17 November 2016.

The objective of the workshop was to present the legal and technical aspects of the international trade control in nuclear-related

and dual-use equipment, materials and technologies implemented by the national regulations in support of the UAE national nuclear policy and in accordance with international standards. The meeting was attended by representatives of key stakeholders from the Federal and Emirates' entities, the Gulf Countries Cooperation and the United States of America. The EU P2P consortium, with the support of the EU Delegation in the UAE, offered an introduction to the dual-use trade control mechanisms and objectives that embed nuclear items, as well as possible amendments to come in the future. The European perspective for establishing and implementing trade controls was extensively commented and referred to as an example of international good practice for all interested partner countries and organisations.

(Author: Vincent Trouvé)

National Seminar in Yerevan, Armenia
15-17 November 2016

In the framework of the EU P2P dual-use project, a national seminar took place in Yerevan, Armenia from 15-17 November.

The seminar addressed relevant authorities involved in strategic trade controls like the Ministry of Economic Development and Investment, the Ministry of Defence, the Nuclear Regulatory Committee, the State Revenue Committee-Customs Service, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Central Bank, the National Security Service and Expertise Organizations. The focus of the first part of the seminar was on



Group picture of the National Seminar in Yerevan, Armenia

updates and new developments on WMD proliferation. Other issues discussed included catch-all controls, interdiction mechanisms and intangible technology transfers. During this part, the Armenian experts had an opportunity to present the national implementation of their catch all principle to the participants.

The second part of the seminar was dedicated to training the interagency community through an Interagency Cooperation Exercise. Through this exercise, the Armenian experts gained a better understanding on interagency cooperation and deepen their knowledge in this field.

Experts from different EU Member States shared their knowledge with senior managers, policy officials and practitioners from different export control authorities in Armenia and they jointly considered possible options for improving the

current implementation of export controls.
(Author: Vincent Trouvé)

First National Seminar in Tirana, Albania *8 November 2016*

Always, in the framework of the EU P2P Dual-Use Project, the first national seminar in Albania took place on 8 November in Tirana, Albania.

The seminar was attended by the authorities involved in strategic trade controls such as the State Export Control Authority

(AKSHE), the Financial Investigation Unit from Ministry of Finance, the Customs Administration and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The focus of the seminar was on proliferation financing, interdiction mechanisms and transit and transshipment issues. The latter issue was explained also through a practice-oriented exercise which helped the Albanian partners to



Group picture of the First National Seminar in Tirana, Albania

better understand the challenges relating to the implementation of transit controls.

Overall, the participants had a chance to discuss legal issues, technical solutions, and necessary competencies enhancing thereby their knowledge on export control matters. Moreover, they exchanged views with other stakeholders on the state of play of the national export control system.

An EU Expert from Slovenia supported this event by presenting modules, national practices, and exercises. (Author: Vincent Trouvé)

The event was hosted by the EXBS regional office and supported with expertise from Austria, Slovenia and USA. The aim of the legal workshop was to contribute to the draft of the primary legislation in order to be in line with EU dual-use regulation. The main points discussed concerned definitions, assessments criteria, power and responsibilities of State export control body (AKSHE), information exchange and inter-agency cooperation, licensing procedure, exemptions, penal provisions and transitional provisions.

(Author: Vincent Trouvé)

Legal Review Workshop in Tirana, Albania

9-10 November 2016

On November 9-10 in Tirana, Albania, the EU P2P Dual-Use Project along with the US EXBS co-organized a legal review workshop on Albanian legislation in the field of strategic trade controls.



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Picture of Legal Review Workshop in Tirana, Albania

Workshop on University Course in Astana, Kazakhstan

9-10 November 2016

The workshop "Export Control - University Course" within the EU-Kazakhstan Cooperation in Export Controls of Dual-Use Items, (CoE Project № 38) took place in Astana on 9-10 November.

The workshop was organised in cooperation with the Kazakh Humanities and Law University, Nasarbayev University and State Academy of Administration with the aim of sharing EU experiences and knowledge on teaching strategic trade controls in the framework of a university programme. Lecturers from Belgium (University of Liège), UK (King's College) and Germany (University of Münster) as well as a practitioner from Hungarian Trade and Licensing Office discussed with Kazakh colleagues the possible contents, methodology and structure for such a university course. In addition they provided introductory lectures for Kazakh students of law, trade and international relations. Besides academia, this workshop was

attended by governmental officials from the Ministry of Investment and Development and the Central Customs Laboratory (Ministry of Finance) where internal training programmes should be established. (Author: Vincent Trouvé)

First Training Session in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar 24-27 October 2016

The Consortium led by Expertise France and implementing the EU P2P Export Control Programme in South East Asia organised its first Training Session in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar from October 24 to 27, 2016.

This seminar was the first major step in the EU-Myanmar cooperation in the field of strategic trade controls as set in the roadmap agreed during the initial visit in July 2016. It will be followed by additional National Training Seminars and invitations of Myanmar officers to Regional and Global Events.

Fruitful exchanges took place between the participants and the Project team while the presentations offered by the Consortium caught the audience's attention and raised several questions. Representatives from the Department of Trade, Department of International Organizations and Economy, Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Defence, Department of Marine Transport, Department of



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Group picture of the First Training Session in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar

Civil Aviation, Road Transport Administration Department, Department of Mines, Department of Atomic Energy, Department of Medical Services, Department of Investment and Company Administration, Custom Department, Union Attorney General's Office, the Supreme Court of the Union, UMFCCI (Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce) and Myanmar International Freight Forwarders' Association- MIFFA participated in the event.

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the second of three workshops on dual-use goods trade controls on 10 and 11 October 2016 in Dubai. Given the central role of the United Arab Emirates in the global trade of strategic goods, the workshop is considered as very important.

For this training, the organisers agreed to use the module from the European Common Training Toolkit (EUCOTT) relating to the identification of dual-use goods from an enforcement perspective.

Second Training Session in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates

10-11 October 2016

The implementing consortium of the EU P2P Dual-Use Programme co-organised with the Executive Office of the Committee for Goods and Material Subject to Import and Export



Second Training Session in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates



A number of key authorities presently in charge of controlling the movement of dual-use goods were represented and actively participated in the lectures and exercises offered by the European experts. The UAE partners underlined their willingness to continue disseminating knowledge and know-how acquired with their colleagues in order to further consolidate the national enforcement capacity concerning border security, always in collaboration with the European Union. The country, indeed, reiterated its commitment to implementing the highest international standards and promote best practices in the region and worldwide.

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South East Europe Customs Regional Seminar in Tirana, Albania

11-14 October 2016

In the framework of the EU P2P Dual-Use Export Controls Programme, the second regional seminar in South East Europe region took place from 11-14 October in Tirana, Albania. The seminar was addressed to customs experts involved in strategic trade controls from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo*, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia. Its main objective was to support customs officials to enhance their capabilities on export controls enforcement and provide ways for the further development of their national training capabilities on dual-use strategic trade controls.

In the first part of the seminar, the participants discussed the national implementation of export control trainings and particularly of commodity identification training. EU customs experts and partner country experts shared their expertise and experience in commodity identification issues. The second part of seminar focused on profiling for risk assessment, targeting and audit. The inclusion of practical exercises and open discussion was enabling to the vivid interaction and learning among the participants.

EU Experts from Belgium, Croatia, France and Slovenia as well as an expert from Serbia supported this event by presenting EUCOTT modules, national practices, exercises and practical approaches for implementing trainings in the area of the strategic trade controls.

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Middle-East and North Africa Regional Event, Dubai (UAE)

4-6 October 2016

The implementing consortium led by Expertise France of the EU P2P Dual-Use Export Controls Programme co-organised with the Executive Office of the Committee for Goods and Material Subject to Export and Import Control -Ministry of Foreign Affairs, a regional event for the Middle-East and North African (MENA) partner countries from 4 to 6 October 2016 in Dubai (UAE). Delegations from Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia and United Arab Emirates took part to this event on "Dual-use trade controls in the



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Group picture of South East Europe Customs Regional Seminar in Tirana, Albania

MENA region: from elaboration to implementation”.

The proliferation and use of WMD is increasingly seen as an imminent threat and a number of countries in the region are steadfastly moving to implement dual-use trade control measures for the first time.

The presentations and discussions at the event acknowledged that the countries included in this group are at different development grades concerning their trade controls implementation. They also recognised the importance of sharing knowledge and experience between the countries of the region in order to drive forward

dual-use trade controls implementation. It is only through such cooperation that the proliferation challenges facing the region, including the use of chemical weapons in Syria, the global illicit financing activities of North Korea, and the smuggling of dangerous goods into African conflict zones can be countered.

In this context, several possibilities were discussed. The ultimate goal of having a regional approach in addressing dual-use concerns in the region is generally considered as desirable, as much in terms of types of transactions as in terms of items to be subjected to controls. However, this requires first several intermediate actions to be identified and taken. For instance,



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Group picture of the Regional Event for the MENA countries in Dubai, United Arab Emirates

communication between countries at regional level on trade control practices as well as exchanges of information on dual-use goods' trade and risk profiling were deemed as essential by all participating countries. Discussions focused on modalities to institutionalise or regularise such arrangements. The event concluded with a study visit to Dubai customs.

With view to supporting the partner countries in their efforts to formalise their commitments and collaboration, the European Union and its P2P programme representatives will continue providing support for the enhancement of trade controls implementation at both national and regional levels. (Author: Vincent Trouvé)

Industry-Outreach event, Astana, Kazakhstan 1 –2 March 2017

From 1-2 March 2017, participants from private companies as well as representatives from

licensing and customs authorities of the Republic of Kazakhstan met with their European colleagues in order to exchange best practices for Internal Compliance Programmes for industry. The underpinning objective was for Kazakh participants to learn how a close cooperation between state bodies and the private sector can guarantee security, stimulate foreign economic activity and facilitate business and trade. Companies from Astana and neighbouring regions actively participated in the meeting by addressing many relevant questions to experts from Austria, Germany, Hungary and Lithuania.

Kazakh licensing authority favours cooperation among the companies taking into account that the pioneers on the market having already well-established ICPs could assist the novice companies who are only in the early phases of developing an ICP.



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Group picture of Industry-Outreach event, Astana, Kazakhstan

The Head of trade section in the EU Delegation, Mr. Federico Birocchi welcomed all participants on behalf of the EU Ambassador and emphasized the importance of strategic trade controls in the global non-proliferation context. Representatives from ISTC and EXBS were invited as well and also participated during the two days.

This event inaugurates a series of further industry outreach events in other regions taking into account the size of the targeted countries.

Study Visit for Jordan to Germany (CoE 38)

16 – 18 August 2016

From 5- 8 December 2016, representatives from relevant Jordanian export control authorities visited Germany for a study visit. The first two days the participants were welcomed at the

facilities of BAFA and offered an insight into dual-use licensing and risk management procedures.

During the following two days, the focus of the visit shifted to the enforcement of dual-use export controls. The group was welcomed at the premises of the Customs Criminological Office in Cologne. The discussions highlighted issues relating to the implementation of dual-use export controls by customs. The use of case studies stimulated the vivid interaction between participants and experts.

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EU P2P: Arms Trade Treaty Programme

Second Ad Hoc Seminar in Lusaka, Zambia 22-23 March 2017

On 22-23 March 2017, BAFA organized the second Ad Hoc Seminar for Zambia in Lusaka, within the framework of the Arms Trade Treaty Outreach Programme (ATT-OP).

Based on the outcomes of the first seminar in 2016, this event aimed to further support the implementation of the ATT in Zambia. The day prior to the seminar, the team of experts had a meeting with the Zambian Minister of Defence, during which they outlined the aims of the current project and the further plans for

cooperation with Zambia. At the beginning of the seminar, a Zambian representative provided an update of the current national implementation of ATT.

Afterwards, an expert from Ghana provided an example concerning the national ATT implementation in his country and outlined the obligations for Zambia. The presentation was very well received by the participants. Subsequently, participants and experts engaged in discussions about controlled transfers, end-use verification as well as customs enforcement and illegal arms diversion in Southern Africa. An additional session on physical security and



SECOND ADHOC SEMINAR ON THE ARMS TRADE TREATY 22-23 MARCH 2017, LUSAKA,ZAMBIA



stockpile management also triggered some interesting discussions.

In Zambia, the organizers were supported by experts from Croatia, Ghana, Hungary, Slovenia and the United Kingdom.

**Second Ad Hoc Seminar for Barbados,
Bridgetown**
15-17 March 2017

From 15-17 March 2017, the ATT-OP's second Ad Hoc Workshop for Barbados took place in Bridgetown.

The workshop was attended by 35 participants from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Customs, Police and Ministry of Interior. The seminar was opened by the German Ambassador, the EU Delegation, the Barbados Attorney General and the Minister of Interior. Throughout the three-day seminar, ATT key topics such as strategies for tackling diversion, efficient risk assessment, provisions on brokering, the CARICOM ATT Model Law, Physical Security and Stockpile Management, and Identification of Small Arms and Light Weapons were intensively discussed. The third day an on-site visit to the Barbados customs authority was organised for studying existing capabilities and procedures at the seaport facilities.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Barbados was delighted to exchange views on effective ATT

implementation with international experts in the field of arms control and non-proliferation.

In Bridgetown, the implementer was supported by experts from Sweden, Germany, Lithuania and the Regional Organization CARICOM IMPACS.

Ad Hoc Activity for Costa Rica
28 February-2 March 2017

On request of the Costa Rican government an Ad Hoc Activity took place from 28th of February to 2nd of March 2017. So far, all roadmap activities for Costa Rica, in the framework of the EU ATT OP had a focus on the national control list, the establishment of a national licensing authority and on risk analysis. This Ad Hoc Activity opened a new chapter in the cooperation with Costa Rica concerning the enforcement aspects of the ATT: "Capacity Building and Competence Development for Customs and Border Officers".

During the welcome ceremony, on the first day of the seminar, the Ambassador of the EU Delegation in Costa Rica emphasized inter alia the role of interagency cooperation for the implementation of the ATT. Throughout the activity various agencies such as the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Security, the Customs Authority, the Fiscal Control Police, the National Intelligence Agency as well as the Arias Foundation had the opportunity to present their organisations and inform about the current status of the ATT implementation.



Group picture of the Ad Hoc Seminar for Costa Rica

The invited experts provided information on the scope and obligations of ATT, the role of Customs and the practical steps required for implementing the ATT. Furthermore, an expert from Jamaica shared his country's experience on the EU ATT OP and implementation of the ATT by a country originating in the same region. Also, an expert from UNLIREC presented the recent exercises conducted in Jamaica.

The necessity of interagency cooperation between licensing and customs agencies was made clear especially through an exercise involving all participants. Practical case studies provided the opportunity to apply the information received.

On the third of the activity, a field visit to the port of Limon was organized in order to acquire an insight into the work done at the port. The visit was concluded with a visit to the container terminal of Moín port as well as to the new APM

container terminal that will be inaugurated in 2018.

The activity was supported by experts from Jamaica, the United Kingdom and UNLIREC.

Ad Hoc Seminar for Côte d'Ivoire *7-8 December 2016*

Always, in the framework of the EU P2P ATT-OP, an Ad Hoc Seminar for Côte d'Ivoire was organized from 7-8 December in Abidjan.

Côte d'Ivoire ratified the ATT in February 2015 and had requested assistance for an awareness raising seminar to be addressed to customs and police officers, parliamentarians and government officials. The seminar was organized in close cooperation with the National Commission against the Proliferation of Small Arms and Light Weapons (ComNat-ALPC).



The first day started with a presentation by the partner country on the current status of ATT implementation followed by a discussion on controlled activities and necessary and licensing procedures under the ATT. The afternoon discussion included topics such as inter-agency cooperation, risk management, prosecution and sanctions. The second day was dedicated to the role of regional organizations and the synergies between the ATT and the UN Programme of Action. The experts addressed an interested and curious audience having a variety of questions concerning possible obstacles in ATT national implementation. The participants expressed their gratitude for the assistance and their hope for the continuation of the support in the next phase of the EU P2P ATT project.

The event was supported by experts from Belgium, the Netherlands, South Africa and UK.

Third Roadmap Activity for Senegal *6–7 December 2016*

The third and final Roadmap Activity for Senegal within the framework of the EU P2P ATT Outreach Project took place from 6 to 7 December 2016. The activity was a legal workshop, with its main focus on drafting and improving national legislation for the harmonized implementation of ATT. This workshop was a follow-up of the previous work undertaken during the last activity in April 2016. Every administration related to the

implementation of the ATT was represented by a legal expert assisting with the draft of the law.

The National Commission on Small Arms and Light weapons (COMNAT), responsible for ATT implementation in Senegal, expressed its intent to continue working for the establishment of a national control list and a draft decree to be approved at higher level.

The international team of experts consisted of two experts for legal matters from the ECOWAS region, (Burkina Faso and Togo) as well as of experts from Belgium, Switzerland and Peru.

Third Roadmap Activity for Burkina Faso *9 November 2016*

The final roadmap activity for Burkina Faso took place in Ouagadougou on 9 November 2016. The main objective was to raise awareness among parliamentarians and representatives of government agencies involved in the implementation of the ATT. Civil society representatives highlighted how the ATT can contribute to security objectives at the national level. Experts and participants engaged in lively discussions on the provisions of the treaty. Experts from France, Belgium, and South Africa supported BAFA in this mission.



Last Roadmap Events for Costa Rica

15-18 November 2016

The second and third Roadmap Activity for Costa Rica within the framework of the EU P2P ATT-OP took place from 15 to 18 November in San José.

The focus of the first and second day of the workshop was on fine-tuning the Costa Rican draft control list with ATT obligations. Costa Rica presented the list and discussed ways for linking individual items to HS codes. Also, the participants discussed with an international roster of experts options ways for aligning proposed definitions with international control list examples.

The third day was dedicated to support Costa Rican officials in developing guidelines for establishing assessment criteria for licensing (Articles 6 and 7 of the ATT).

On the fourth day, Costa Rican customs officials were introduced to the ATT principles and scope. Technical experts walked all participants through the different categories of items covered by the treaty. Costa Rica brought examples of controlled items to the workshop.

Experts from Albania, Mexico and South Africa supported the event.

Second Ad Hoc Activity for Togo

25- 27 October 2016

As part of the implementation of the EU P2P ATT-OP, a second ad hoc activity was conducted

for Togo. This legal workshop followed the first event previously held in Lomé in October 2015. The development of a legislative and regulatory framework is an essential step towards the effective implementation of the ATT. Therefore, this meeting involving mainly jurists and legal specialists of different stakeholders concerned continued the analysis and design of the Togolese draft law for furthering the commitments set by the ATT.

During this three day workshop international experts discussed article by article the draft law. After consultation at national level, Togo decision is to merge this new draft on existing legislation concerning the fabrication and possession of SALW. The seminar caught the interest of all participants who discussed the upcoming law in a lively and exhaustive way. However, the merging of the two legal frameworks created some confusion since several of the articles mentioned in the law are not related to the ATT. A number of outstanding questions require further clarification by Togolese government. In that regard, it was left upon a future event and at a higher level to decide on certain remaining issues.

In Togo, the implementer was supported by experts from Peru, France, Belgium, Senegal and Burkina Faso.



Last Roadmap events for the Philippines

18-19 October 2016

The second and third roadmap activities for the Philippines took place on 18-19 October (Workshop for Philippine Officials) and 20-21 October (Industry Outreach) in Manila.

As for the first workshop, officials of the Philippines and European experts updated each other on the latest developments in their respective strategic trade systems. After this, the discussion moved on to cover issues concerning the National Strategic Goods List and the related assessment criteria. Further points discussed concerned inter alia record keeping and reporting obligations, end use verification and controls on brokering activities.

The first session of the Industry Outreach event was dedicated to presentation of the strategic trade management system and the applicable mechanisms before the Strategic Trade

Management act of 2015 was introduced.

Afterwards, the ATT-OP experts presented aspects of the Internal Compliance Programmes models followed in their respective countries including challenges on the practical implementation of such mechanisms. The session was followed by an open question whereby industry representatives took their time to raise questions, express their concerns and exchange views with other participants and experts.

The activities were supported by ATT experts from Sweden, the UK, Hungary, Croatia, the Netherlands and Switzerland.

Third Roadmap Activity for Peru

13-14 October 2016

On 13-14 October 2016, the third roadmap activity for Peru was conducted in Lima in the framework of the EU P2P ATT-OP. The topic of



Group picture of the third Roadmap Activity for Peru



legal framework and licensing procedures for ATT implementation as well as Physical Security and Stockpile Management (PSSM) had been first initiated by Peru and then, jointly developed over the course of roadmap activities.

After an introduction by SUCAMEC with a presentation on national ATT implementation as far as SALWs are concerned, experts from Spain and Austria offered presentations to clarify the requirements under ATT and present their national experience taking into account the configuration of the Peruvian control system.

The second day of the activity was dedicated to the topic of Physical Security and Stockpile Management with presentations about arms marking and traceability by Peruvian experts. The main principles of PSSM were presented by

two experts from Germany who drew also the main conclusions of the assessment visits during the past activities.

Attending Peruvian experts used the opportunity of the workshop to discuss and share their experience with ATT implementation with the experts. In Lima, the implementer was supported by ATT experts from Austria, Germany, Peru and Spain.



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Study Visit for Eastern European Partnership Countries to Poland

4-15 February 2017

On 14-15 February 2017, BAFA organized a Study Visit for the partner countries Azerbaijan, Georgia and Moldova within the framework of the EU Council Decision 2015/2309 on the promotion of effective arms export controls to Warsaw, Poland.

The first day, the event kicked-off with a presentation of the Polish licensing system which triggered interesting discussions between participants and experts. The session was followed by a presentation on the new German approach towards end-use verification and a presentation on goods identification from a licensing perspective. The day ended with case study discussions on arms transit.

On the second day, the representatives of the beneficiary countries had the opportunity to visit the Cargo Terminal of the Airport in Warsaw.

They visited a temporary warehouse as well as the customs operation centre where they received hands-on training concerning customs activities. Afterwards, the group was guided to the passenger terminal where Polish custom officers presented cases of illegal arms transfers which have been discovered at Chopin airport. In the afternoon session, participants and experts discussed customs profiling and inter-agency cooperation based on the presentation of an Estonian expert.

In addition to customs and licensing officers from Poland, EU experts from Croatia, Estonia and Germany supported the event.

Study Visit for South East European Partners to Latvia

30 November –1 December 2016

From November 30 to December 1, 2016, a study visit took place for Albania, Kosovo*, FYROM** and Montenegro to Riga, Latvia within



Group picture of Study Visit for Eastern European Partnership Countries to Poland



the framework of EU Council Decision 2015/2309 on the promotion of effective arms export controls. The representatives of the partner countries had the opportunity to visit the Latvian Ministry of Foreign Affairs as well as several Customs facilities at Riga airport.

The first day of the event was dedicated to discussions on licensing. Latvian representatives presented their national licensing systems and gave a brief overview on how national export control authorities coordinate their decision making. Further focal points of the day were discussions on transit and brokering activities.



Study Visit for South East European Partners to Latvia

On the second day, participants had the opportunity to visit the customs office, the warehouse as well the passenger terminal at the airport in Riga and received an introduction how the customs officials control the flow of passengers and goods going in and out of Riga airport. The afternoon session was dedicated to case studies regarding arms diversion in Europe.

The participants engaged in frank and fruitful discussions with the experts on the various topics. EU experts from the Slovakia and Croatia supported their colleagues from Latvia.

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Kick-Off Workshop on Arms Diversion in Western Africa

10 November 2016

For the first time, the EU P2P COARM project organized a Kick-off workshop on arms diversion in Western Africa within the framework of the EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/2309. The event took place on 10 November in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso and was attended by delegates of 16 Western African states.

After the opening ceremony, the participants were introduced to the topic of arms diversion in Western Africa. The session was followed by a very lively discussion on pre-export assessment and post-delivery notification measures. In the evening, the participants discussed how to identify and track sources and routes of diversion in Africa. Overall, this session raised the participants' awareness on the importance of cross-border cooperation in order to combat arms diversion.



Group picture of Kick-Off Workshop on Arms Diversion in Western Africa

The activity was completed by a discussion concerning the implementation and the enhancement of arms transfer controls in Western Africa.

In Ouagadougou, the event was supported by experts from the Group for Research and Information on Peace and Security (GRIP), the South African NGO CPMD, the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research as well as Conflict Armament Research Ltd.

Second Individual Assistance Event for Kosovo*
8-10 November 2016

On 8-10 November 2016, the second Individual Assistance seminar for Kosovo was organized in Pristina within the framework of EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/2309 on the promotion of effective arms export control.

The event was attended by over 20 Customs officers from various locations in Kosovo and was aimed at providing a first insight into how strategic trade controls work; the different roles of the licensing authority and Customs; and the challenges faced by Customs staff in terms of identifying strategic products through both document checks and physical inspection. The event featured several interactive sessions and demonstrated the expertise and resources required in verifying tricky cases. This approach was well received by the participants and we hope that the event will provide a firm basis for further training for Customs staff as Kosovo prepares the establishment of its strategic trade control system.

In Pristina, the implementer was supported by experts from the Czech Republic, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom.



Regional Workshop for North African Countries
2-3 November 2016

On 2-3 November 2016, a COARM Regional Seminar for North African countries took place in Tunis, Tunisia.

After a brief introduction to the project, the participating countries (Algeria, Egypt, Morocco, and Tunisia) had the opportunity to discuss recent developments in trade controls of conventional weapons during a roundtable. Also, a representative from an independent research group presented research findings concerning the issue of diversion in the region. In the afternoon, an EU expert presented a review of the assessment criteria specified in the EU Common Position 2008/944/CFSP and an update on the amendments to the European Common Military List.

The second day started with a presentation on export and import control of defence material and dual-use goods in Spain, followed by a presentation on end-use controls and post-shipment verification. The seminar concluded with a case study aiming to illustrate how the EU Common Position is implemented at national level. All presentations and in particular the roundtable discussion were received with interest and curiosity from the side of the participants. This event was supported by experts from France, Spain, Switzerland, Austria and GRIP.



Group picture of Regional Workshop for North African countries



Regional Workshop for Eastern Partnership Countries in Yerevan, Armenia

20-21 October 2016

Within the framework of the EU Council Decision 2015/2309 on the promotion of effective arms export controls (COARM project), the implementer organized a Regional Workshop for Eastern Partnership Countries in Yerevan, Armenia on 20-21 October 2016.



Regional Workshop for Eastern Partnership Countries

The workshop was attended by representatives from Armenia, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova and the Ukraine and provided the partner countries a platform to exchange information on recent developments in their domestic export control systems with their counterparts from neighbouring countries and EU Member States. The presentations and statements of the countries led to interesting discussions about the practices followed by different neighbouring countries. In turn, the EU colleagues reported on latest amendments of the EU policy such as the additions to the Common Military List, the

control of UAVs and particularly of drones and new embargo regulations.

Further agenda items included discussions on inter-agency and regional cooperation and the relationship between state authorities and companies. Moreover, a presentation informed authorities on the use of IT systems for risk management, data gathering and information exchange. The workshop was completed with case studies requiring from national authorities to cooperate in order to find solutions.

In Armenia, the project implementer was supported by experts from Sweden, Poland, Czech Republic, Croatia and the United Kingdom.

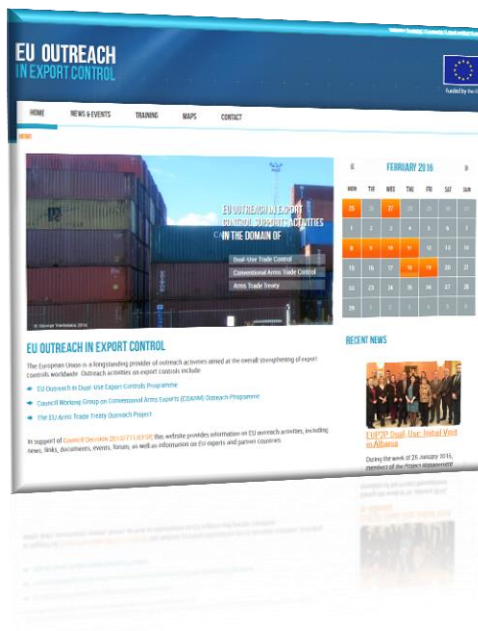


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