
Arms Trade Treaty
Tenth Conference of States Parties
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**REVIEW OF THE REVISED ATT PROGRAMME OF WORK (ON TRIAL FOR ONE YEAR)
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE DRAFT PROPOSAL**

BACKGROUND

1. Following the review of the ATT programme of work as mandated by the Eighth Conference of States Parties to the ATT and based on a proposal submitted by the Management Committee, the Ninth Conference of States Parties decided, on trial basis for one year, to hold in 2024:¹
 - a. One in-person session of four days of ATT Working Groups per cycle, with livestream option; and
 - b. One in-person session of two days of CSP preparatory meetings per cycle, with hybrid option. To avoid duplication, this meeting should be separate from the meeting of the ATT Working Groups.
2. The Conference also decided to task the Management Committee to review the revised ATT programme of work after the trial for one year, and to report its assessment and recommendations, including whether to maintain elements of the trial, previous methods of work or new proposals and the opportunity to supplement the programme of work with informal consultations to the Tenth Conference of States Parties for a decision.

ASSESSMENT OF REVISED PROGRAMME OF WORK

3. Following these CSP9 decisions and the respective Working Group and informal preparatory meetings on 20-23 February and 16-17 May 2024, the Management Committee met on 03 July 2024 to assess the revised ATT programme of work and to formulate a recommendation on the programme of work for subsequent CSP cycles. During this meeting, the Committee considered three options:
 - a. To confirm the revised ATT programme of work of one in-person session of four days of ATT Working Group meetings per cycle, with livestream option, and one in-person session of two days of CSP preparatory meetings per cycle, with hybrid option;
 - b. To return to the previous ATT programme of work of two sessions of four days of ATT Working Group and CSP preparatory meetings per cycle, with livestream option; or
 - c. To extend the trial period for the revised ATT programme of work by an additional one year, taking into account that in the CSP11 cycle the ATT Working Groups will fully apply a new approach to their discussions, shifting the focus from theoretical discussions to practical Treaty implementation issues and to progressive discussions on national implementation measures and

¹ See [ATT/CSP9.MC/2023/MC/765/Conf.Prop](#) and [ATT/CSP9/2023/SEC/773/Conf.FinRep.Rev2](#) (paragraphs 35 and 36).

exchanges on national implementation experiences.

4. In their deliberations Committee members agreed that the two sessions of meetings went reasonably well, but considered that a formal assessment of the revised programme of work requires more data. In that regard, Committee members also recognized the interventions of several delegations during the CSP10 Informal Preparatory Meeting, indicating that there is not yet enough information available for a proper evaluation. On this basis Committee members expressed the view that an extension of the trial period for the revised programme of work by an additional one year is the most appropriate option under the circumstances.

5. Concerning the substantive content of the two sessions, the Committee members were further of the view that the discussions during the Working Group meetings in February and the CSP10 Informal Preparatory Meeting in May demonstrated the need to continue to address Working Group-related issues during the CSP informal preparatory meeting, in order to allow proper follow-up in the run up to the CSP.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS TO CSP10

6. Based on the above, the Management Committee recommends that CSP10 decides the following:

- a. *To extend the trial period for the revised ATT programme of work by an additional one year, by:*
 - i. *holding one in-person session of four days of ATT Working Groups per cycle, with livestream option; and*
 - ii. *holding one in-person session of two days of CSP preparatory meetings per cycle, with hybrid option, including status updates on the work in the ATT Working Groups.*
- b. *To task the Management Committee to conduct a formal assessment of the revised ATT programme of work after the extended trial for one year, taking into account all relevant elements, and to report its assessment and recommendations, including whether to maintain elements of the trial, previous methods of work or new proposals and the opportunity to supplement the programme of work with informal consultations to the Eleventh Conference of States Parties for a decision.*
