

WGTU WORKPLAN FOR ATT UNIVERSALIZATION EFFORTS¹

Background

1. This workplan is an annex of the WGTU Co-Chairs' Report to CSP10 (ATT/CSP10.WGTU/2024/CHAIR/785/Conf.Rep), welcomed by the CSP10. It is intended to guide the Treaty universalization discussions and outreach efforts of ATT stakeholders during the CSP11 to CSP13 cycles, in line with the relevant CSP9 decision and follow-up discussions in the WGTU during the CSP10 cycle.²

Regional universalization champions and other ATT stakeholders

2. Within the context of this workplan, the WGTU Co-Chairs will assume primary responsibility to undertake universalization efforts, supported by the ATT vice-Presidents, in close cooperation with the ATT Secretariat.

3. The efforts of the WGTU Co-Chairs and the vice-Presidents will be supported by other States Parties willing to act as regional universalization champions. For that purpose, the ATT will reach out to the ATT National Points Contact of States Parties, to enquire about States Parties' interest to support universalization as regional universalization champions.

4. Beyond the regional universalization champions, all other ATT stakeholders including civil society are encouraged to undertake or support universalization efforts within the context of this workplan.

Focus of ATT universalization efforts

5. On the recommendation of the WGTU, universalization efforts in the CSP11 to CSP13 cycles will primarily focus on the Asia-Pacific States that have not yet joined the Treaty. A list of the relevant States is attached to this workplan.

6. In addition, universalization efforts will be focused on signatory States in all regions that have not yet joined the Treaty, in particular the signatory States in the region of focus. A list of all signatory States is attached to this workplan.

¹ Annex A of the Working Group on Treaty Universalization (WGTU) Co-Chairs' Report to CSP10 ([ATT/CSP10.WGTU/2024/CHAIR/801/Conf.Rep](#)), welcomed by States Parties at CSP10, to be reviewed and updated by the Working Group, as appropriate.

² See paragraph 23 (a) and (b) of the CSP9 Final Report ([ATT/CSP9/2023/SEC/773/Conf.FinRep.Rev2](#)) and Annex A to the WGTU Co-chairs' Draft Report to CSP9 ([ATT/CSP9.WGTU/2023/CHAIR/769/Conf.Rep](#)).

7. To prioritize universalization efforts within these groups, the regional universalization champions of the relevant regions and the ATT Secretariat will discuss which States are most inclined towards joining the Treaty in the coming years. For that purpose, the regional universalization champions of the relevant regions, in cooperation with the ATT Secretariat, will conduct a prior assessment of the relevant States in their region and seek the input from interested ATT stakeholders, including relevant regional organisations.

Planning of ATT universalization efforts

8. In order to strategically plan, streamline and support universalization efforts, regional universalization champions and other ATT stakeholders are requested inform the ATT Secretariat well in advance of anticipated bilateral, multilateral and regional universalization efforts, where feasible and appropriate.

9. Where feasible and appropriate, the ATT Secretariat will liaise with relevant regional organizations and other ATT stakeholders with a view to seek cooperation and avoid duplication of efforts.

Substance of ATT universalization efforts

10. ATT stakeholders will conduct their universalization efforts in the context of this workplan on the basis of the guidance provided in the ATT Universalization Toolkit that was developed by the WGTU for that purpose.³ This will help provide consistency of ATT universalization narrative in terms of addressing motivations, benefits and challenges concerning joining the ATT.

11. ATT stakeholders will also promote the Voluntary Trust Fund, as Signatory States and other States having shown clear and unambiguous political commitment to accede to the ATT requiring assistance to implement the Treaty may also submit project proposals. In the same regard, ATT stakeholders will also promote the ATT sponsorship programme and refer to other international assistance providers.

12. Where feasible and appropriate, ATT stakeholders will extend an invitation to the State(s) in question to participate in the WGTU meetings and, on a voluntary basis, brief the WGTU on their situation with regard to the ATT and possible challenges and issues concerning ratification or accession.

ATT Secretariat support to targeted ATT universalization efforts

13. To support universalization efforts of regional universalization champions that target one or more specific States, the ATT Secretariat will provide a brief document with the ATT profile of the State(s) in question. That ATT profile will include, as a minimum, information about the following elements regarding the State(s) in question:

- Proposals under the ATT Voluntary Trust Fund (VTF)
- Assistance requests in the ATT Needs and Resources Matching Database
- Applications to the ATT Sponsorship Programme
- Participation in the ATT Conference of States Parties (CSP)
- Presentations and general statements in the ATT CSP and ATT Working Groups
- Voting record on ATT resolutions in the UN General Assembly
- Participation in the UN Register of Conventional Arms (UNROCA)
- Participation in relevant regional arrangements
- Other relevant information available within the ATT Secretariat

³ The ATT Universalization Toolkit is available on the *Tools and Guidelines* page of the ATT website: <https://www.thearmstradetreaty.org/tools-and-guidelines.html>.

14. For targeted universalization efforts that are organized in the margins of ATT meetings, where relevant and appropriate, the ATT Secretariat will examine proactively whether sponsorship can be granted for relevant participants.

Monitoring of ATT universalization efforts

15. For the WGTU to administer this workplan and to monitor and steer its implementation, “implementation of the WGTU workplan for ATT universalization efforts” will be a recurring WGTU agenda item.

ATTACHMENT TO WGTU WORKPLAN FOR ATT UNIVERSALIZATION EFFORTS CSP11-CSP13: STATES OF FOCUS

Asia-Pacific States that are not yet a State Party

Based on the UN regional groups of Member States (<https://www.un.org/dgacm/en/content/regional-groups>), as of 16 April 2024, the Treaty status of Asia-Pacific States is as follows:

<i>States Parties (12)</i>	<i>Signatory States (11)</i>	<i>Other States (31)</i>
1. Afghanistan	1. Bahrain	1. Bhutan
2. China	2. Bangladesh	2. Brunei Darussalam
3. Cyprus	3. Cambodia	3. Democratic People's Republic of Korea
4. Japan	4. Malaysia	4. Fiji,
5. Kazakhstan	5. Mongolia	5. India
6. Lebanon	6. Nauru	6. Indonesia
7. Maldives	7. Singapore	7. Iran (Islamic Republic of)
8. Palau	8. Thailand	8. Iraq
9. Philippines	9. Türkiye	9. Jordan
10. Republic of Korea	10. United Arab Emirates	10. Kuwait
11. Samoa	11. Vanuatu	11. Kyrgyzstan
12. Tuvalu		12. Lao People's Democratic Republic
		13. Marshall Islands
		14. Micronesia (Federated States of)
		15. Myanmar
		16. Nepal
		17. Oman
		18. Pakistan
		19. Papua New Guinea
		20. Qatar
		21. Saudi Arabia
		22. Solomon Islands
		23. Sri Lanka
		24. Syrian Arab Republic
		25. Tajikistan
		26. Timor-Leste
		27. Tonga
		28. Turkmenistan
		29. Uzbekistan
		30. Viet Nam
		31. Yemen

Signatory States that are not yet a State Party

As of 16 April 2024, the following signatory States are not yet a State Party:

<i>Signatory States (28)</i>	
1. Angola	15. Malawi
2. Bahrain	16. Malaysia
3. Bangladesh	17. Mongolia
4. Burundi	18. Nauru
5. Cambodia	19. Rwanda
6. Colombia	20. Singapore
7. Comoros	21. Thailand
8. Congo	22. Türkiye
9. Djibouti	23. Ukraine
10. Eswatini	24. United Arab Emirates
11. Haiti	25. United Republic of Tanzania
12. Israel	26. United States of America ⁴
13. Kiribati	27. Vanuatu
14. Libya	28. Zimbabwe

⁴ This State has signed the Treaty, but no longer intends to become a State Party.