
Arms Trade Treaty
Third Conference of States Parties
Geneva, 11 – 15 September 2017

CSP3 Provisional Annotated Programme of Work

The Third Conference of States Parties (CSP3) to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) will pursue a rolling agenda, wherein once a session has concluded, the CSP3 President may proceed with the next item on the Agenda. Time indications on the Agenda are to be considered as provisional and delegations are advised to be prepared for adjustments as necessary and as determined by the President.

Monday, 11 September

10:00-13:00

1. Opening of the Meeting

The meeting will be opened by the President of the Third Conference of States Parties, Ambassador Klaus KORHONEN.

2. High Level Segment

During this session the Conference will be addressed by the invited distinguished guests.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The CSP3 President will invite the Conference to consider and adopt the provisional agenda as presented at the Third CSP3 Informal Preparatory Meeting in June 2017.

4. Organization of Work

The CSP3 President will present a brief recognising the ATT Rules of Procedure, the Secretary for the Meeting, Election of Officers (if need be) and Delegations' information as well as provide an overview of the organization of work for the week in the context of the rolling conference agenda.

5. General Debate

During this session, delegations (States Parties, Signatory States and other Observer States) will be invited to deliver statements of a general nature. International and regional organisations as well as representatives of civil society and industry will also be welcome to deliver general statements. For time management purposes, all statements in this session will be limited to a maximum of four minutes.

15:00-18:00

6. General Debate, cont'd

The General debate continue with statements limited to a maximum of four minutes per State Party, Signatory State, Observer State, international organisation, regional organisation, civil society, or industry representative.

18:30-20:00

Reception will be jointly hosted by Finland (Presiding State), Switzerland (Host State), the Canton and the City of Geneva.

Tuesday, 12 September

10:00 – 13:00

7. Treaty Implementation

Pursuant to Art 17.4 of the Treaty, during this session the Conference will be invited to exchange views on Treaty implementation including aspects related to the establishment of national control systems, interagency cooperation, treaty prohibitions, export and export assessments, diversion, transit and transshipment and record keeping. The Co-chairs of the Working Group on Effective Treaty Implementation will be invited to present to the Conference a report on the work conducted by the Working Group in the intersessional period between the Second Conference of States Parties and the Third Conference of States Parties. The co-chairs' report will put forward proposals on how the Treaty implementation work could be structured and carried out in the period after the Third Conference of States Parties.

15:00 – 18:00

8. Treaty Implementation, cont'd. *Thematic discussion on ATT and SDGs*

During this session, the Conference will hold a thematic discussion on the relationship between the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the ATT with particular reference to Goal 16 – the promotion of peaceful and inclusive societies – and one of its associated Targets, 16.4 – a significant reduction in illicit arms flows by 2030.

The thematic debate will begin with a panel discussion. After this, delegates will be invited to participate in the thematic discussion through inputs and comments.

Wednesday, 13 September**9. Transparency and Reporting****10:00 – 13:00**

During this session the Conference will consider matters pertaining to the Treaty's transparency and reporting obligations. The session will commence with the ATT Secretariat overview presentation on the current status of reporting under the Treaty. This will be followed by States Parties' exchange of views on transparency and reporting and sharing of experiences on reporting under the Treaty thus far.

After this, the CSP3 President will invite the co-chairs of the Working Group on Transparency and Reporting to provide a report to the Conference on the status of work conducted by the Working Group in the intersessional period, including proposals on how the Treaty transparency and reporting work could be structured in the period after the Third Conference of States Parties.

10. Treaty Universalization**15:00 – 18:00**

Pursuant to Art 17.4 of the Treaty, the Conference will be invited to exchange views on Treaty universalization, starting with the ATT Secretariat overview presentation on the status of ATT participation. The co-chairs of the Working Group on Treaty Universalization will provide a report to the Conference on the status of work conducted by the Working Group in the intersessional period and making proposals on universalization activities that could be considered for implementation and those for further discussion in the period after the Third Conference of States Parties.

Thursday, 14 September**11. International Assistance****10:00 – 13:00**

During this session, the Conference will exchange views on international assistance including requests and offers for international assistance as presented by States Parties. Subsequent to this, the CSP3 President will invite the Chairman of the Voluntary Trust Fund (VTF) Selection Committee to provide a report on the status of operation of the VTF including an update on the funded Treaty implementation projects as well as any proposals/suggestions on possible improvement of the VTF work in the period after the Third Conference of States Parties. Furthermore, the administrator of the ATT sponsorship programme, UNDP, will be invited to provide a report on the status of operation of the programme followed by a general exchange of views on the administration of the programme.

15:00 – 18:00

12. Matters pertaining to the Third Conference of States Parties.

During this session, the Conference will consider the following matters:

- a. Preparations for the Fourth Conference of States Parties (CSP4) including the adoption of the budget for the next ordinary session (Art 17.3).
- b. Election of the President and Vice Presidents of CSP4 (RoP 9.1).
- c. Establishment of any subsidiary bodies as may be necessary to improve the functioning of the Treaty (Art 17.4(f)).

Friday, 15 September

10:00 – 13:00

13. Matters pertaining to the Secretariat

During this session, the Conference will consider the Secretariat's and the Management Committee's reports pertaining to their operations in the period under review including any recommendations by the Secretariat and the Management Committee. Furthermore, the Conference will consider and adopt the Secretariat budget for the financial year 2018. The session will conclude with the States' exchange of views on how the status of financial contributions to the ATT budget could be improved.

15:00 – 18:00

14. Any Other Business.

This item provides delegations with an opportunity to address matters not falling under the presented agenda. Delegations are kindly requested to advise the President in advance of an intention to do so.

15. Consideration and adoption of the final report of CSP3.

The President will make a final presentation of the Final Report of the Third Conference of States Parties. The Conference will thereafter consider the Final Report of the Conference for adoption.

16. Closure of the Third Conference of States Parties.

Before closing the Third Conference of States Parties, the President will deliver final remarks and invite the President of the following ordinary session of the CSP to address the plenary. CSP3 will then be closed.
