MONITORING SDG 16:
ARMS FLOWS AND VIOLENT DEATHS IN NORTH AFRICA AND THE SAHEL

In the draft outcome document of the Third Review Conference on the UN Programme of Action on Small Arms, States would undertake ‘To encourage the development of national- and regional-level indicators, based on the Programme of Action and the International Tracing Instrument, in order to measure progress made in the implementation of target 16.4 and other relevant SDGs [Sustainable Development Goals] and targets.’ Indeed, Agenda 2030 points to regional and national indicators to be developed by States to complement the global framework of indicators in the follow up and review of Goals and Targets.

At this event, experts will examine challenges and opportunities for monitoring progress towards SDG targets 16.1 (reduction in all forms of violence and related death rates) and 16.4 (reduction in arms flows) in North Africa and the Sahel. Their work highlights the need for a multiple-source and multiple-actor approach, spelling out roles for a broad range of stakeholders, including national institutions, peacekeeping missions, civil society, and academia. The panel will further reflect on the feasibility and utility of specific regional- and national-level indicators for measuring progress towards a significant reduction of illicit arms flows.

- Opening remarks: Sachi Claringbould, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of The Netherlands
- Chair/Introduction: Anna Alvazzi del Frate, Small Arms Survey

Presentations:
- The importance of a multiple actor approach—the SANA project: Nicolas Florquin, Small Arms Survey
- International cooperation with national institutions: John Hageman, Interpol
- The role of peacekeeping missions in tracing illicit arms: Nils Holger Anders, independent researcher
- Monitoring arms flows, Niger case study: Savannah de Tessieres, Small Arms Survey consultant
- Monitoring conflict casualties in Libya: Hana Salama, Small Arms Survey consultant
- Discussant: Einas Mohammed, AU Commission

- Please RSVP at the following URL: https://goo.gl/forms/S3th0nN9LQeWHoU13
- For more information: www.smallarmssurvey.org/sana

A light sandwich lunch will be served.