

Addressing Challenges to Arms Trade Treaty Universalization Through Networking and Engagement in the Indo-Pacific (ATTUNE)



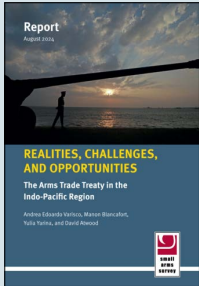
This project aims to lower barriers towards universalization of the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), and increase compliance with ATT provisions in the Indo-Pacific region. By engaging with diverse local stakeholders, strengthening the evidence base on the national relevance of the ATT, and providing targeted, country-specific engagement, the project will translate improved understanding of continuing challenges into practical pathways for action.

It entails a series of interconnected activities, including:

- capacity support and expert advice to ATT mechanisms, sub-regional organizations, states, and civil society actors, including advisory support, workshop presentations and facilitation, briefings, and side events;
- targeted and short research outputs to strengthen evidence in addressing some of the primary areas of concern voiced by non-ATT states parties in the Indo-Pacific region;
- confidence-building and experience-sharing workshops, aimed at increasing the willingness of diverse and influential stakeholders to engage on topics related to the ATT; and
- policy engagement in international or (sub)-regional events to highlight synergies with the ATT and related policy topics.

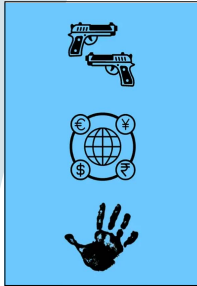
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Phase I, 'Understanding Challenges to the ATT Universalization and Compliance in the Indo-Pacific Region', 2023-4, investigated factors and challenges behind the low level of ratification; in order to better inform national and regional efforts in advancing universalization and strengthen national implementation culminating in the launch of a report in 2024.

Phase II, 2025-7, responds to several priority needs identified by both regional stakeholders and the ATT community during the first phase. This includes the need to strengthen inter-agency cooperation in support of ATT universalization, bolster the evidence base demonstrating how the ATT can support the national interests of Indo-Pacific states, as well as provide them with targeted support.

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