

Control Arms - Activity Report – 2025

Control Arms is the global civil society coalition working to strengthen regulation of the international arms trade and prevent the human suffering caused by irresponsible arms transfers. Control Arms advances these goals through the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), campaigning to expand Treaty membership, strengthen implementation, and promote compliance.

In 2025, rising militarization, increasing arms sales, and widespread violations of international law underscored the urgency of Control Arms' work. In response, we worked to progress ATT universalization, implementation, and stakeholder engagement through advocacy, diplomacy, and capacity-building. We focused on promoting compliance with the ATT's core safeguards, Articles 6 and 7, by providing expert analysis, developing practical guidance, convening targeted events, and supporting preparations for the 11th ATT Conference of States Parties (CSP11). We continued to call attention to the human impact of irresponsible arms transfers, including in Democratic Republic of Congo, Gaza, Myanmar, Sudan and Ukraine.

This report highlights the work of both Control Arms and the ATT Monitor, our independent monitoring initiative. As the leading global source of data and analysis on ATT implementation and compliance, the ATT Monitor strengthens Treaty implementation and promotes transparency in the conventional arms trade. The report covers the five topic areas below:

1. Promoting Effective Implementation & Compliance with Articles 6 and 7
2. Fostering Universalization of the ATT
3. Advancing the ATT Process & Civil Society Engagement
4. Supporting Youth via the Control Arms Sponsorship Programme
5. Amplifying the Impact of Control Arms and the ATT
6. Developing the ATT Monitor

1. Promoting Effective Implementation of & Compliance with Articles 6 and 7 of the ATT

In 2025, Control Arms remained a leading voice in promoting the effective implementation of, and compliance with Articles 6 and 7. When implemented rigorously, these provisions help prevent the transfer of arms to situations where they would facilitate serious violations of international law. At the Wilton Park meeting, "*Advancing the ATT: The role of interagency cooperation and the next decade of the ATT*," held in the United Kingdom from 5 to 7 February 2025, Hine-Wai Loose underscored the critical importance of adherence to these provisions.

Building on this engagement, and ahead of discussions at the Working Group on Effective Treaty Implementation (WGETI), Control Arms proposed to examine how rulings of the International Court of Justice and findings from the Human Rights Council's Special Procedures are considered by States Parties when applying Articles 6 and 7 in arms transfer decisions. In doing so, Control Arms highlighted key UN and Human Rights Council reports addressing arms transfers in the contexts of Israel–Palestine, Myanmar, and Sudan, and convened expert speakers to deepen the discussion.

To raise awareness of another current pressing issue, Control Arms delivered a statement to the WGETI, emphasizing the importance of regulating parts and components of weapons systems in line with ATT obligations and calling for dedicated discussions on this issue in 2026 - discussions that were subsequently taken up during the 2026 ATT Working Groups. In parallel, Control Arms engaged directly with seven States Parties bilaterally on the implementation of Articles 6 and 7. At the First Committee of the General

Assembly, Control Arms delivered a statement focused on States Parties implementation of Articles 6 and 7.

A significant piece of work in 2025 to support the ATT Working Groups was the invitation to Control Arms to provide a presentation to the WGETI on additional guidance on the implementation of the ATT's Article 7(4), which requires exporting States to take into account the risk of arms transfer facilitating serious gender-based violence and violence against women and children. Such was the success of this presentation and the chart prepared by Control Arms that this guidance has now been formally discussed at the 2026 ATT Working Groups and received widespread support. With the support of a consultant, Control Arms has summarized the Voluntary Guidance on Articles 6, 7 and 9. This work has formed the basis for other work on Articles 6 and 7, such as tools produced to support the implementation of these provisions by smaller states and an online training course on the implementation of Article 7.

Events held in support of implementation and compliance on Articles 6 and 7

Online and in-person events remain a key component of Control Arms' work to raise awareness of the ATT and to promote its implementation and compliance. At the events held in 2025, Control Arms aimed to highlight the distinct challenges of regulating the arms trade and to engage speakers from different backgrounds.

Alongside the two events outlined below, Control Arms contributed to other initiatives in support of the ATT. These included, for example, moderating a panel discussion titled "The Paradox of the Arms Trade Treaty – Friend or Foe of International Law?" held during the conference hosted by the Geneva Academy on "The Arms Trade and International Law: Addressing Compliance Gaps," which took place on 8 to 9 December 2025.

Online event on Arms Control and Human Rights: Connecting the Agendas, 22 April 2025 - This event was organized by Control Arms in collaboration with the Forum on the Arms Trade and Asociación para las Políticas Públicas (Association for Public Policies). The presenters were María Pía Devoto, Director, Asociación para las Políticas Públicas; Pablo Arrocha Olabuenaga, Legal Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico; Kim Lamberty, Executive Director, Quixote Center; and Sol Zoe Nottage, Associate Researcher, ATT Monitor. The discussion addressed dynamics in the Latin American region, which are marked by high firearm-related homicide rates. Setbacks in human rights have been witnessed in Ecuador, El Salvador, Haiti, Nicaragua and Venezuela. In each of these contexts a key question is who is supplying the arms which makes the violations possible in each of these contexts? Practical suggestions were amplifying the visibility of illegal arms trafficking and its humanitarian consequences, especially in countries such as Haiti; advocating for governments in the region to enhance border controls; expanding the volume of firearms traced; and improving transparency in the arms trade as a means to prevent and mitigate human rights violations. Seventy people from more than 20 countries attended this event.

In-person event on "Yemen and the Global Arms Trade: Revisiting the 2014 Wake-Up Call and its Aftermath", 26 August 2025 (held in the margins of the 11th ATT Conference of States Parties) - Hine-Wai Loose, Director of Control Arms, moderated this discussion and the presenters were Khawla Alrowaishan, Accountability, Redress and Advocacy Unit Manager, MWATANA; Melissa Parke, Director of ICAN and Former Expert to the Group of Eminent Experts on Yemen; Hichem Khadraoui, Executive Director of the Centre for Civilians in Conflict (CIVIC); Kelsey Gallagher, Researcher, Project Ploughshares; and Hiruni Alwishewa, Independent Consultant. This discussion focused on the key developments concerning the regulation of arms transfers since the Yemen conflict, which started in September 2024. Questions discussed were - are ATT States Parties now considering the recipient state's commitment to the Political Declaration on the Use of Explosive Weapons in Populated Areas signed in 2022 when making transfer decisions? Are the parts and components that comprise major systems subject

to greater oversight? Has there been increased scrutiny on the threat of diversion? What other recent developments are relevant in this context?

The Yemen conflict was important to understanding the challenges that confronted compliance with the ATT and the significant role of litigation in taking forward accountability. With the supply of weapons, the warring parties were emboldened to commit violations of international law. There are major challenges to transparency in the arms trade, including States invoking national security in order not to disclose information. There is a push back against accountability and this is exacerbated by current geo-political divisions between States. Organizations such as CIVIC are tracking civilian harm and engaging with States on the importance of a comprehensive approach to this matter, including translating commitments into action and reflecting compliance with the EWIPA Declaration in their arms transfers. Sixty people attended the event on Yemen.

In-person event on “On the ground perspectives on promoting universalization and implementation of the Arms Trade Treaty”, 29 August 2025 (held in the margins of the 11th ATT Conference of States Parties) - This event was designed to give Control Arms Members, especially sponsored delegates, from different regions the opportunity to share their experiences and lessons learnt on working at the national community levels to progressing ATT universalization and implementation. The discussion was moderated by Frank Slijper, PAX - Netherlands and the presenters were: Stephen Mwachofi Singo, Kenya; Sara San Martin, Mexico; Shirine El Jurdi, Lebanon; Edward Chaka, Malawi; and Sushmita Karki, Nepal. Also participating in this event were Carina Solmirano, Head of the ATT Secretariat and Dr. Adam Dr Adam Bonaa, Chair of the DIEF, Ghana. The event underlined the important role played by civil society in providing a continuous voice in support of the ATT and understanding the context of a particular country and region. This event highlighted the need to include participants from conflict and non-conflict affected countries, as well as the voices of victims, in the work of the ATT and the ongoing importance of addressing small arms and lights.

2. Fostering Universalization of the ATT

In 2025, Vanuatu joined the Treaty. Throughout the year, Control Arms continued to be actively engaged in ATT universalization efforts and spoke directly with non-States Parties on joining the Treaty. We continued to coordinate with other organizations that are active on universalization such as the ATT Secretariat, ICRC, Mines Advisory Group, Regional Centre on Small Arms in the Great Lakes Region (RECSA), Small Arms Survey, UNIDIR and UNRCPD. To follow-up substantively on this coordination work and consultations held with Control Arms Coalition Members on universalization, we held in partnership with the Small Arms Survey an online event for the Asia-Pacific region on opportunities and challenges to universalization, which is reported on below.

Events in support of ATT universalization

Online event on “The Middle East Region and the Arms Trade Treaty - What is at Stake?”, 25 April 2025 - Control Arms and WILPF Lebanon jointly organized this online event on “The Middle East Region and the Arms Trade Treaty - What is at stake?” Shirine Jurdi, Control Arms Board Member and WILPF Lebanon representative made opening remarks, Hine-Wai Loose moderated the discussion, Hiruni Alwisheva, Independent Consultant, spoke on Articles 6 and 7, and Sol Nottage, ATT Monitor Research Associate, spoke on the critical role that transparency in the arms trade can play in safeguarding human rights. This event was aimed at informing feminist campaigners from the Middle East region about the ATT and the role it can play in preventing irresponsible arms transfers. In a region where only two States have joined the Treaty, this event was aimed at raising awareness of the ATT among feminist campaigners and encouraging them to include the regulation of arms transfers in their advocacy and engage on these matters with their respective governments. The participants asked questions about the supply of arms to the region, Libya’s role in the diversion of weapons and how there can be accountability for irresponsible arms

transfers. Eighteen people participated (fifteen females and three males). English and Arabic translation was provided.

Online event on “Discussion on prospects for expanding the members of the Arms Trade in the Asia-Pacific region”, 18 November 2025 - This event jointly organized by Control Arms and Small Arms Survey brought together organizations engaged in ATT universalization efforts in the Asia-Pacific region to discuss the opportunities and challenges towards expanding ATT membership in the region and which States are likely candidates to join the Treaty in the next five years. The discussion was opened by Ms. Tsholofelo Tsheole, President of the 12th ATT Conference of States Parties. Callum Watson, Small Arms Survey, made a presentation on the findings of research on the opportunities and challenges to universalization of the Treaty in the Asia-Pacific region. Hine-Wai Loose moderated a discussion about the challenges of promoting universalization. Key partners working in the region joined the discussion, including The German Federal Office for Economic Affairs and Export Controls (BAFA), ICRC, Mines Advisory Groups and UNRCPD.

3. Advancing the ATT Process and Civil Society Participation

Throughout 2025, Control Arms played a proactive role in influencing ATT processes, discussions and outcomes. Control Arms held 87 bilateral meetings with States Parties and non-States Parties. Those bilateral meetings addressed a range of issues from encouraging States to join the Treaty, to speaking with States Parties on implementation and national reporting, to advocating for the establishment of gender focal points, to discussing the proposal for an overall ATT strategy and what can be achieved from this proposal.

ATT Working Groups: In 2025, Control Arms was active in the ATT Working Groups and Informal Preparatory Meeting. Throughout the year, Control Arms not only worked to support its own Members' engagement with the ATT process, but also briefed and encouraged the involvement of other civil society organizations. In support of these meetings, Control Arms organized:

- Online briefing meeting in advance of the Working Groups for civil society representatives, 30 January 2025;
- Online briefing meeting in advance of the Working Groups for civil society representatives in French, 11 March 2025;
- Prepared and submitted to all delegations a resource from the ATT Monitor on the state of implementation of national control systems; and
- Briefing meeting in advance of the Informal Preparatory Meeting, 13 May 2025.

Statements to the Working Groups

- Sub-working Group on Exchange of National Implementation Practices - Frank Slijper, the Netherlands;
- Sub-working Group on Current and Emerging Implementation Issues - Presentation on the implementation of Article 7(4) - Hine-Wai Loose
- Working Groups on National Reporting - Presentation on the ATT Monitor Dashboard - Andrea Varisco, Italy, and Sol Nottage, Argentina; and
- Working Group on Treaty Universalization - Sol Nottage, Argentina.

Statements to the Preparatory Meeting

- Report of the Working Groups on Treaty Implementation - Hine-Wai Loose; and
- The Management Committee - Revised Programme of Work - Hine-Wai Loose.

- Establishment of Gender Focal Points and Gender-based Violence (GBV) Prevention

In 2025, Control Arms was focused on presenting a practical tool to the ATT Working Groups on implementation of the Article 7(4) of the Treaty and supporting Mexico's proposal to establish gender focal points under the ATT. Control Arms work on gender and gender-based violence prevention included:

- Presented at "An informal conversation on addressing barriers to women's full, meaningful, equal and effective participation in ATT meetings" hosted by Mexico on 24 February 2025;
- Presented at the in-person meeting on "Lessons-learned for including GDEI considerations in ammunition management", 6 May 2025, hosted by the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD). This was a valuable opportunity to exchange lessons learnt with the mine action community on improving the diversity of people working on a particular issue at the multilateral and national levels;
- Spoke in support of the gender focal points proposal at CSP11 under the Report of the Working Group on Treaty Implementation and under this same item at the Preparatory Meeting;
- Held bilateral discussions with three African States which had reservations concerning the gender focal points proposal; and
- Held a briefing for female diplomats attending CSP11. The briefing provided interesting insights into what female diplomats sought from an ATT training such as scenarios, exercises and tackling the issue of encouraging more females to take on officeholder roles at ATT Working Groups and Conferences. Also, it provided an opportunity to brief participants on the key issues at CSP11. Twenty-two people participated in this briefing.
- To support delegations in their preparations for the Working Groups on Effective Treaty Implementation (WGETI) concerning national control lists, Control Arms developed and circulated a written brief. This document highlighted that approximately 50% of States Parties have reported on establishing national control systems and at the same time underlined the enormity of challenge in assisting the remaining 50% of States Parties which have yet to adopt such lists, despite their fundamental importance for effective Treaty implementation.

11th ATT Conference of States Parties: In preparation for CSP11, Control Arms produced a set of summaries and commentaries on selected key documents. These focused specifically on the issues expected to feature prominently in CSP11 discussions, rather than covering all available documents. This brief was complimented by an article that Control Arms drafted and circulated to raise awareness of the main issues being raised at CSP11 which was titled, "[Advancing Implementation: Key Issues and Expectations for CSP11](#)". Feedback received on the summaries was positive.

Control Arms prepared held online and in-person consultations for Control Arms Members to strategise on issues to be raised at the Conference and overall objectives. During the CSP11, Control Arms worked to support its Members engagement and conducted 25 bilateral meetings. We also organised a meeting with Professor Andrew Clapham, author of the ATT commentaries, with civil society on the outcomes of ATT-related litigation in the UK. Control Arms activities included:

- Online briefing meeting for civil society representatives held in advance of CSP11, 19 August 2025 - 20 people (6 females and 14 males);
- In-person discussion in preparation for CSP11 and to finalise the statements, 24 August 2025 - Eleven people attended (five females and five males);
- In-person briefings throughout CSP11 to discuss with Coalition Members on progress of the Conference and priority issues to be addressed;
- In-person dinner meeting to discuss the role of Control Arms at the CSP11 and in 2026 - 15 people (Eight females and seven males);

- In-person meeting with Professor Andrew Clapham and civil society representatives, author of the ATT commentaries, 28 August 2025, on litigation in the United Kingdom on arms transfers and its outcomes - 30 people; and
- Online debriefing on the outcomes of CSP11 for civil society representatives, 18 September 2025.
- Social media campaigning in the lead-up to, during and following CSP11.

Statements to the Conference of States Parties

- Opening of the Conference - Sushmita Karki, Nepal
- Report of the Working Groups on Treaty Universalization - Edward Chaka, Malawi
- International Assistance - Manuela Barragán Rincón, Colombia
- Report of the Working Group on Effective Treaty Implementation - Shalaka Pathak, India
- Report of the Working Group on Transparency and Reporting - Andrea Varisco
- Report of the Management Committee - Khawla Alrowaishan, Yemen
- Matters pertaining to the Twelfth Conference of States Parties (CSP12) - United Kingdom Proposal for a Strategy - Shirine El Jurdi, Lebanon

4. Supporting Youth via the Control Arms Sponsorship Programme

In 2025, Control Arms' Sponsorship Programme focused on supporting youth (32 years and under) along with experienced Control Arms Members. The Sponsorship Program was organized using Control Arms' established procedures, starting with a Call to Register and Apply for CSP11 Sponsorship, which was widely circulated among civil society organizations, including associates, academics, and research institutions. To ensure a fair selection process, Control Arms implemented a thorough approach that included circulating invitations for sponsorship applications and reviewing and selecting the most suitable candidates, based on a clear criterion that was communicated in advance to all applicants.

Participants from the following countries were chosen to be part of the Sponsorship Programme: Burundi, Canada, Colombia - Youth representative, India - Youth representative, Lebanon, Malawi, Mexico, Nepal - Youth representative and Yemen - Youth representative.

During CSP11, expert briefings were organized for the sponsored delegates on Articles 6 and 7 with (Hiruni Alwishewa), Parts and Components (with Kelsey Gallagher), and transparency and national reporting (with Andrea Varisco). These sessions were designed to strengthen delegates' capacity on key technical aspects of the ATT, while providing a small-group setting that encouraged questions, dialogue, and deeper engagement.

5. Amplifying the Impact of Control Arms and the ATT

In 2025, Control Arms continued to engage across multiple fora and sectors to advance the ATT. For example, we were invited to speak on the ATT and responsible investment in weapons at the *Roundtable Discussion on the Exclusion of Weapons*, hosted by Sustainable Finance Geneva on 6 March 2025. We were also invited to contribute to a Geneva Academy meeting with the drafting group responsible for the General Comment on the Application of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in situations of armed conflict, under the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. In response to the growing number of conflicts and concerning backsliding on human rights witnessed over the past year, Control Arms actively collaborated with organizations such as Article 36 on the Declaration on Explosive Weapons in Populated Areas, CIVIC, the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, and Norwegian People's Aid to promote respect for international law and accountability. As part of this work,

Control Arms was invited to speak on these issues at the Humanitarian Roundtable in Oslo from 12 to 13 March 2025.

Another example of Control Arms work across different fora was our ongoing efforts to support the Global Framework for Through-life Conventional Ammunition Management. Control Arms participated in the Preparatory Meeting in June 2025. Following this meeting, Raluca Muresan drafted and published a blog on the role of the Framework and outcomes of the June meeting.

On the evening of Monday 8 December 2025, Control Arms hosted a discussion with Josh Paul, Human Rights Activist and former Director of Congressional and Public Affairs for the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs at the United States Department of State. This took place at the “Institute of Arab and Mediterranean Cultures” in Geneva. The discussion was titled, “Conscience and Power: Josh Paul on Arms, Accountability, and Gaza.” The discussion examined the United States’ role in the global arms trade—particularly its transfers to Israel and their impact on Gaza.

Control Arms efforts to support the NGO community focused on sharing our own practical experiences on fundraising and communications. For example, Raluca Muresan shared the experiences of Control Arms in approaching private foundations and the challenges involved during an online discussion organized by the Forum on the Arms Trade on 26 February 2025. With the Forum on the Arms, Control Arms organized an online discussion on navigating the increasingly complicated social media landscape and which platforms to focus on. This discussion took place on 19 November 2025 and was titled “If Not Twitter, Then What?”. Communications experts from Campaign to Stop Killer Robots, ICAN and ICBL kicked off the discussions and spoke about their own experiences on different social media platforms. The key lesson from the discussions was that NGOs need to remain nimble in their choice of social media platforms. For example, BlueSky did not have the uptake that had been anticipated and it was worth revisiting older platforms such as Facebook for reaching out to different audiences. During December, Control Arms convened a meeting with the directors of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, the International Campaign Against Nuclear Weapons, and the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots to discuss strategies for strengthening disarmament and arms control treaties and addressing ongoing challenges to NGO funding. In addition, Control Arms contributed to and joined a coalition-led statement on Ukraine’s suspension of, and withdrawals from, the Mine Ban Treaty. To further support coalition members, Control Arms also hosted an online session on drafting project proposals and preparing applications for UNSCAR funding.

Between the 10 and 16 December 2025, Control Arms carried out a weeklong social media campaign based on the opportunity costs of increased military spending, this was titled: *Military budgets and opportunity costs: how else could the money have been spent?* One post was uploaded each day, across all social media accounts, discussing the expenditure of one of six regions (Latin America, The Middle East, Europe, the USA, Africa, Asia and Oceania). Graphics were created to show the total value of expenditure, then applying the number to other possible actions that could have been taken.

6. The ATT Monitor

The ATT Monitor Report was published in August 2025 at CSP11 and was launched in a side event on 25 August 2025. The report was widely distributed among a broad range of ATT stakeholders and was made publicly available through social media, the ATT Monitor website, and in ATT-related events. The report can be found at the link: <https://attmonitor.org/en/the-2025-report/>, and in pdf form at the link: https://attmonitor.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/ATT_Monitor-Report-2025.pdf.

A summary of the report was produced and translated in English, French, and Spanish. The summaries in different languages were printed, and distributed to attendees of the side event. The summaries can be also found online in the ATT Monitor website, and are accessible at the following links:

- English: https://attmonitor.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/EN-ATT_Summary-2025.pdf
- French: https://attmonitor.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/FR-ATT_Summary-2025-1.pdf
- Spanish: https://attmonitor.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/ES-ATT_Summary-2025.pdf

The side event to launch the 2025 ATT Monitor report featured the presence of Counsellor Andrea Quezada, Coordinator of Disarmament and Humanitarian Affairs from the Mission of Chile and Chair of the Working Group on Transparency and Reporting; Ms. Henriëtte van Gulik, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the Conference on Disarmament; Dr. Andrea Edoardo Varisco, ATT Monitor Project Lead; Ms. Giovanna Maletta, Senior Researcher, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute Dual-Use and Arms Trade Control Programme; Ms. Rachel Stohl, Senior Vice President of Research Programs and Director, Conventional Defense Program, Stimson Center; and Ambassador Carlos Mario Foradori, Permanent Representative of the Argentine Republic to the international organizations in Geneva and President of CSP11. Around 75 participants, including States representatives and officials, attended the event.

The report included a chapter dedicated to parts and components, which analyzed the obligations and implementation challenges of Article 4 of the ATT. The chapter reviewed ATT requirements and how States Parties have implemented Article 4, presented case studies on integration and re-export of parts and components and the use of civilian parts and components in military equipment, and provided policy recommendations to improve interpretation, implementation, and cooperation under the ATT. Numerous bilateral meetings with States Parties in preparation of the report, to provide assistance on reporting and on other aspects of the Treaty, or to discuss the findings of the report were also conducted throughout 2025. These included meetings with representatives from: Australia, Belgium, Chile, Denmark, France, Germany, Ireland, Lesotho, Maldives, the Netherlands, Norway, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom. Additionally, at least nine different delegations, Argentina, Australia, Canada, the European Union, Ireland, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Spain, and the United Kingdom mentioned the work of the ATT Monitor in their statements during the CSP11 cycle (Working Group meetings, Informal Preparatory Meetings, and CSP11).

Following the successful launch of the 2025 ATT Monitor Report at CSP11, the ATT Monitor participated in the UN General Assembly First Committee in New York and in an online event on ‘Ten Years of Arms Trade Treaty Transparency’, organized in the margins of the UN General Assembly First Committee on 13 November 2025. The ATT Monitor presented its work, including findings from the 2025 ATT Monitor Report and from the updated data in the ATT Monitor Arms Transfer Dashboard. The event featured the presence of Ambassador Robert in den Bosch, Ambassador-at-large for Disarmament Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands; Ms. Claudia Garcia, Political Affairs Officer, Conventional Arms, United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs; Mr. Tom Nijs, Policy Officer, Arms Trade Treaty Secretariat; Dr. Andrea Edoardo Varisco, ATT Monitor Project Lead, and Ms. Rachel Stohl, Senior Vice President of Research Programs and Director, Conventional Defense Program, Stimson Center. 85 people joined the event online and more have watched the YouTube recording.

In 2025, the ATT Monitor team also conducted an ATT Monitor readership survey to ensure that the ATT Monitor report remains a useful, and used, resource to monitor and enhance ATT implementation. The survey collected responses from 21 different stakeholders, mostly affiliated with civil society (62%) and governments (33%). More than 85% of the respondents stated that they read the ATT Monitor report ‘often’ or ‘sometimes’. 85,7% of government respondents considered the ATT Monitor report very useful (57%) or useful (28,6%) for their work on arms control, disarmament matters and the ATT. More than 52% of the respondents said that the country profiles, a section of the report that also provides suggestions on how to

improve national reporting practices, were ‘very useful’. This percentage is higher among governments’ respondents: 85,7% of them considered the information in the Country Profiles very useful (57%) or useful (28,6%) and relevant to their work. The majority of respondents indicated that they often or sometimes ‘look for information in the ATT Monitor reports’, ‘refer the ATT Monitor findings in their work’, and ‘share the report with colleagues’. 20 respondents provided a response from 1 to 10 to the question ‘How likely is it that you would recommend the ATT Monitor work with your colleagues?’ totaling an average score for the 20 responses of 9.1/10.

2026 ATT Monitor Report

The production of the 2026 ATT Monitor Report began in December 2025 with a meeting of the Editorial team held online on 11 December 2025, and the first stage of the analysis of the 2024 ATT annual reports submitted to the ATT Secretariat by States Parties by 1 February 2026. This analysis will form the basis of the country profiles section of the 2026 Report. The production of the 2026 ATT Monitor Report is in line with the annual schedule for publication and launch of the report at CSP12 in August 2026.

ATT Monitor Arms Transfers Dashboard

In 2024, the ATT Monitor team launched and presented the ATT Monitor Arms Transfers Dashboard, a new resource that provides information on arms transfers reported publicly by States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty in their annual reports. Information on the launch of the Dashboard and the related activities conducted in 2024 are included in the 2024 Interim Narrative Report.

In February 2025, the ATT Monitor presented the ATT Monitor Arms Transfers Dashboard to the Working Group on Transparency and Reporting. The presentation received positive feedback by several delegations (including Canada) and directly contributed to discussions on transparency in the working group. In Autumn 2025, the ATT Monitor updated the ATT Monitor Arms Transfers Dashboard with the latest data from the 2023 ATT Annual Reports, which were analyzed and presented in the ATT Monitor 2025 Annual Report and in related outreach events (see section on 2025 ATT Monitor Report).

Other activities of the ATT Monitor

The ATT Monitor continued to provide vital information to assist states in fulfilling their ATT obligations in 2025.

In February 2025, during the ATT Working Group meetings, the ATT Monitor prepared and distributed to the attendees of the Working Group meetings a factsheet on States Parties’ initial report submissions entitled: ‘Reference Table on States Parties’ Initial Report Submissions: Informing Treaty Implementation Discussions’. The factsheet supported delegations’ discussions during the Working Group meetings, and it is now available on the ATT Monitor website at this link: <https://attmonitor.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Initial-reports-table.pdf>.

In April 2025, Dr. Andrea Edoardo Varisco, the ATT Monitor Project Lead, participated in the Constructive Dialogue on Firearms organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and made a presentation on ‘Strengthening the prevention of illicit arms transfers: Synergies between the Arms Trade Treaty and the Firearms Protocol’.

In May 2025, the ATT Monitor organized, in partnership with the Stimson Center, an online clinic on ATT national reporting, which offered guidance and insights to States Parties on how to successfully fulfill ATT initial and annual reporting requirements. The event was attended by around 40 attendees and supported initial and annual reporting before the ATT Secretariat’s annual report deadline.