

**United Nations Regional Best and Promising Practices Seminar
on Armed Violence Reduction and Prevention for South and Southeast Asia**

Kathmandu, Nepal

16 – 18 March 2011

AGENDA

16 March (Wednesday)

08:30-09:00 **Registration**

09:00-09:45 **Opening Session**

Chair: Mr. Roman Hunger, Special Coordinator, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific (UNRCPD)

Opening remarks

Mr. Taijiro Kimura, Director, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific (UNRCPD)

Hon. Barsaman Pun, Minister for Peace and Reconstruction of Nepal

Mr. Michael Brown, Head of Peacebuilding and Recovery Unit,

UNDP Nepal Country Office

H.E. Mr. Thomas Gass, Ambassador of Switzerland to Nepal



09:45-13:00

Session I: Armed Violence Reduction and Prevention

09:45-1100

Introduction to the thematic

Chair: Mr. Roman Hunger, UNRCPD

Speakers:

Armed Violence – an introduction (screening of the short documentary “*Faces of violence: A non-fiction story*”)

Mr. Robert Muggah, Research Director, Small Arms Survey

Existing initiatives/recent political developments

Mr. Luigi De Martino, Coordinator, Geneva Declaration Secretariat

Mapping armed violence interventions: Key findings and lessons from the OECD-DAC study

Mr. Robert Muggah, Small Arms Survey

Armed Violence Prevention Programming AVPP

Mr. Zachary Taylor, Programme Specialist, Armed Violence Prevention, Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery, UNDP

Discussion

11:00-11:15

Coffee Break

11:15-13:00

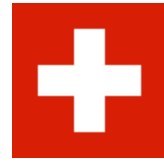
Continuation of Session I

Monitoring and Measuring: Developing the evidence base for armed violence reduction interventions

Mr. Zachary Taylor, BCPR, UNDP

National Presentations

Col Thikamporn Chulilung, Director, International Security Cooperation Division, Ministry of Defence, Thailand



Col Dickson Hermoso, Chief, Armed Forces of the Philippines Peace
Process Office, Philippines

Mr. Saed Abdul Bashir Sadaat, Member of UN Department, Ministry of
Foreign Affairs, Afghanistan

Prof. Swaran Singh, Chairperson, Center for International Politics,
Organisation and Disarmament, Jawaharlal Nehru University
New Delhi, India

Discussion

13:00-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-17:30 **Session II: Youth and Armed Violence**

14:00-15:15 **Panel Discussion: Youth and Armed Violence**

Chair: Mr. Roman Hunger, UNRCPD

Speakers:

Mr. Robert Muggah, Small Arms Survey

Mr. Ron Pouwels, Regional Adviser Child Protection, UNICEF Regional
Office for South Asia

Mr. Syed Tamjid ur Rahman, Changemaker, Bangladesh

Discussion

15:15-15:30 Coffee break

15:30-17:00 **Parallel Working Groups: Youth and Armed Violence**

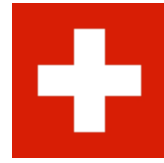
17:00-17:30 **Plenary Session: Youth and Armed Violence**

Chair: Mr. Roman Hunger, UNRCPD

Presentation of the working group outcomes

Discussion

18:30-20:00 **Welcoming Reception**



17 March (Thursday)

09:00-13:00 **Session III: Gender and Armed Violence**

09:00-10:30 **Panel Discussion: Gender and Armed Violence**

Chair: Mr. Roman Hunger, UNRCPD

Speakers:

Ms. Smita Mitra, Program Assistant, UN WOMEN South Asia Sub
Regional Office, New Delhi

Ms. Kasumi Nishigaya, Senior Gender Advisor, UNDP Nepal

Ms. Shobha Gautam, Institute of Human Rights Communication Nepal
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Discussion

10:30-10:45 Coffee Break

10:45-12:15 **Parallel Working Groups: Gender and Armed Violence**

12:15-13:00 **Plenary Session: Gender and Armed Violence**

Chair: Mr. Roman Hunger, UNRCPD

Presentation of the working group outcomes

Discussion

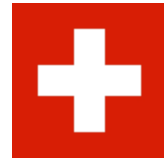
13:00-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-17:30 **Session IV: Urban and Rural Armed Violence**

14:00-15:30 **Panel Discussion: Urban and Rural Armed Violence**

Chair: Mr. Sudhir Bhattarai, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Nepal

Mr. Luigi De Martino, Geneva Declaration Secretariat



Mr. Alfredo Ferrariz Lubang, Regional Representative, Nonviolence
International Thailand

Case Study: Urban and Rural Armed Violence in Nepal

Mr. Subodh Ghimire, Superintendent, Nepal Police

Discussion

15:30-15:45 Coffee Break

15:45-17:00 **Parallel Working Groups: Urban and Rural Armed Violence**

17:00-17:30 **Plenary Session: Urban and Rural Armed Violence**

Chair: Mr. Sudhir Bhattarai, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Nepal

Presentation of the working group outcomes

Discussion

18 March (Friday)

09:00-13:00 **Session V: Cooperation and Assistance in Armed Violence Reduction
Programming**

09:00-10:30 **Panel Discussion: Cooperation and Assistance in Armed Violence
Reduction Programming**

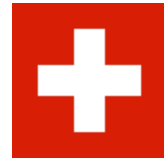
Chair: Mr. Roman Hunger, UNRCPD

Speakers:

**Cross-border trafficking – linkages between arms and drug
trafficking**

Ms. Cristina Albertin, Representative, UNODC Regional Office for South
Asia

Mr. Raghavan Kuppaswamy, Project Officer – Drug Law Enforcement,
UNODC Regional Office for South Asia



Regional Cooperation

Ms. Ilona Szabo de Carvalho, Project Associate, Quaker United Nations Office

Mr. Ronnie Delsy, Researcher, Nordic Institute of Asian Studies

Mr. Pratap Parameswaran, Head of Political Cooperation Division, ASEAN Secretariat

Discussion

10:30-10:45

Coffee Break

10:45-12:00

Parallel Working Groups: Cooperation and Assistance in Armed Violence Reduction Programming

12:15-13:00

Plenary Session: Cooperation and Assistance in Armed Violence Reduction Programming

Chair: Mr. Roman Hunger, UNRCPD

Presentation of the working group outcomes

Discussion

13:00-14:00

Lunch Break

14:00-15:00

Session VI: Follow-up

Chair: Mr. Siro Beltrametti, Switzerland

Elements, Priorities for Armed Violence Reduction and Prevention best practices – Roadmap for further actions

Mr. Luigi De Martino, Geneva Declaration Secretariat

Mr. Zachary Taylor, UNDP/BCPR

Mr. Robert Muggah, Small Arms Survey

Mr. Roman Hunger, UNRCPD

Col Pinnapola Pad Kahapola, Army Physical Training School, Sri Lanka



15:00-15:15 Coffee Break

15:15-16:00 **Session VI continuation**

16:00-16:30 **Closing Session**

Chair: Mr. Roman Hunger, UNRCPD

Closing remarks

Mr. Sudhir Bhattarai, Under Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Nepal

Mr. Siro Beltrametti, Deputy Head Multilateral Peace Policy Section,
Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland

Mr. Taijiro Kimura, Director, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace
and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific