



The Worth of the Arms Trade Treaty? Let's debate!

Friday, 02 December 2016 12:00 - 13:30
GCSP Room P4-444, Maison de la paix, Pétale 4
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Adoption in 2013, entry into force in 2014, conferences of state parties in 2015 and 2016, and a legal commentary published in 2016. The Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), the first treaty to regulate the conventional arms trade, has an impressive record. But so what? And why should we care?

The authors of the recently published ATT commentary will take part in a presidential-style debate on a range of issues about the treaty and its implementation. The debaters are:

Andrew Clapham, Law Professor at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies
Gilles Giacca, Legal Advisor at the Arms Unit of the International Committee of the Red Cross
Sarah Parker, Policy Support Officer at the Arms Trade Treaty Secretariat
Stuart Casey-Maslen, Honorary Professor at the University of Pretoria

The debate will be moderated by **Tobias Vestner**, Cluster Leader within the Security and Law Programme of the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP). He will put his own testing questions to the debaters in addition to soliciting questions from the audience. **Marie-Gaëlle Robles**, Counselor at the Permanent Representation of France to the Conference on Disarmament, will give her closing remarks in conclusion of the event.