

The UK Delegation to the Conference on Disarmament and the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) Secretariat invite you to a side event on:

The ATT Voluntary Trust Fund (VTF): supporting national ATT implementation plans (strategies)

Thursday, 16 May 2024

13:15 – 14:45 (CEST)

Virtual side event

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Pursuant to Article 16(3) of the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), the Voluntary Trust Fund (VTF) was established in August 2016 to assist States to implement the ATT. This side event will provide guidance on how to apply and use VTF funding to support national ATT implementation plans (strategies), and present an opportunity for VTF recipient states to share their experience

Panelists include:

- Ambassador Aidan LIDDLE, UK Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva
- Mr. Dumisani DLADLA, Head of the Arms Trade Treaty Secretariat
- Ms. Shelley deBLAIR REMENGESAU, Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Ministry of State, Republic of Palau
- Mr. Wilphred TAYLOR, Programme Officer, Sierra Leone Commission on Arms and Ammunition

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Draft Agenda

1.	13:15 – 13:25	Opening and Introduction	- Chairperson: VTF Selection Committee
2.	13:25 – 13:35	Overview of the VTF status	- ATT Secretariat
3.	13:35 – 13:50	Perspective from a beneficiary State (1)	- Ms. Shelley deBlair Remengesau (Palau)
4.	13:50 – 14:05	Perspective from a beneficiary State (2)	- Mr. Wilphred Samuel Taylor (Sierra Leone)
5.	14:05 – 14:40	Q&A and informal exchange	- All participants
6.	14:40 – 14:45	Closing remarks	- Chairperson: VTF Selection Committee