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Sixth Conference of the States Parties

May 24, 2024

Washington, D.C. (Hybrid format)

DRAFT AGENDA/SCHEDULE OF THE

SIXTH CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES TO THE CIFTA

(Agreed at the Preparatory Meeting held on 30 April 2024)

*Friday, May 24, 2024*

*Local time at OAS Headquarters (EDT)*

9:05 – 9:30 Registration of Delegates and logging on to the OAS virtual platform

9:30 – 9:40 OPENING CEREMONY

Place: *Simon Bolivar Room, Main Building (MNB), OAS*[[1]](#footnote-1)

1. Remarks by Ambassador Luz Elena Baños Rivas, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the OAS

9:40 – 10:00 INTRODUCTORY SESSION

1. Election of Officers of the Sixth Conference of Parties
   * 1. Chair
     2. Vice Chair
2. Consideration and adoption of the draft agenda/schedule the Sixth Conference of Parties

FIRST PLENARY SESSION:

10:00 – 11:00 4. Hemispheric Study on Illicit Trafficking in Arms and Ammunition

* + - * 1. Launch of the Hemispheric Study Methodology, including the proposed Revised CIFTA Questionnaire - Pier Angelli De Luca, Manager of the Arms and Ammunition Control Assistance Program (PACAM), DPS/OAS, and Karen Bozicovich, Chief of the Information and Knowledge Section, DPS/OAS
        2. Trends and Threats in Arms and Ammunition Trafficking: Results of the Analytical Study with Experts - Cecilia Farfán, Researcher and Consultant, DPS/OAS
        3. Next Steps: Implementation of the Methodology for Revision of the CIFTA Questionnaire - Pier Angelli De Luca, Manager of the Arms and Ammunition Control Assistance Program (PACAM), DPS/OAS
        4. Dialogue among participants, States Parties, and Non-Parties

11:00 – 11:10 Break

11:10 – 12:10 5. Panel: Links between the illicit manufacture, sale and trafficking of firearms, ammunition, explosives and other related materials and the multiple expressions of national and transnational organized crime

Moderator: Mr. Caio Pelim, Police Specialist, Department Against Transnational Organized Crime - OAS

1. Dr. Cecilia Farfán, Specialist of Center for US-Mexican Studies / University of California San Diego)
2. Mr. Flavio Márcio Albergaria, Silva, Delegate of the Federal Police of Brazil
3. Romain Le Cour, Senior Expert, Global Initiative against Transnational Organized Crime (GI-TOC)
4. Dialogue among participants, States Parties, and Non-Parties

12:10 – 13:10 6. Panel: Activities of Arms Manufacturers, Exporters, and Private Dealers and Their Effects on Human Rights

Moderator: Mauricio Zapata, Director for International Crime Prevention, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico

1. Fadia Ibrahim, Director of Privileges and Immunities Litigation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico
2. Jon Lowy, President and Founder, Global Action on Gun Violence) (*TBD*)
3. Leon Castellanos, Full-time Investigator, [Asser Institute for International and European Law](https://www.asser.nl/), the Hague, Netherlands
4. Dialogue between participants, States parties, and non-parties

13:10 - 14:30 Break

SECOND PLEARY SESSION

14:30 - 15:30 7. Panel: Opportunities to maximize results and generate synergies with other international, regional, and subregional agencies, mechanisms and processes

Moderator: Ivan Marques, Secretary for Multidimensional Security of the OAS

1. United Nations Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All its Aspects (PoA) - Amb. Maritza Chan, Chair of the Fourth Review Conference (RevCon4) on the UN PoA (*TBC)*
2. Global Framework for Through-life Conventional Ammunition Management – Ivor Fung, Chief of the Conventional Arms Section of the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs UNODA
3. Arms and Ammunition Control Assistance Program (PACAM) - Pier Angelli De Luca, PACAM Program Manager and Specialist, DPS/OAS

15:30 – 16:00 8. Adoption of the Recommendations of the Fifth Conference of States Parties to the CIFTA

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16:00 – 16:10 9. Other business

16:10 – 16:30 CLOSING CEREMONY

* Remarks by the Chair
* Remarks by Ivan Marques, Secretary for Multidimensional Security of the OAS

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1. . This meeting will be held in person in the Simon Bolivar Room, with the possibility of participating virtually in accordance with the "Recommendations on Procedures for Face-to-Face Meetings with Virtual Participation of the Permanent Council" (document [CP/INF.](http://scm.oas.org/doc_public/spanish/HIST_22/CP45816s03.docx)[9344/22](http://scm.oas.org/doc_public/ENGLISH/HIST_22/CP45816E03.docx)). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)