

LIST OF SPEAKERS FOR UNODA AND IANSA VIRTUAL SEMINAR ON "ENSURING GENDER MAINSTREAMING IN SMALL ARMS CONTROL":



Ivan Contente Marques

IANSA, Managing Director

Ivan Marques is a Brazilian lawyer and a researcher in Human Rights and Citizen Security. Ivan has worked in the President's Office for the Brazilian Federal Government, including the Human Rights Ministry and the Secretariat for Strategic Affairs. He was the Executive Director of the Sou da Paz Institute from 2014-2019. For his contribution to the improvement of Brazilian public security, he was awarded by the President of Brazil with the Public Security National Order of the Merit in 2018.



Magda Coss

Inspiring Girls Mexico, Chair

Magda Coss is a consultant in gender-violence prevention, gender equality, gun violence prevention and communications, with extensive experience in the development of international communication strategies and campaigns. Founder of NGO 24-0 Mexico focused on peace building and promoting policies for civilian disarmament. Author of "Arms Trafficking in Mexico" and other publications that analyze the effects of small arms and gun violence. She has worked as Chief of Staff for the president of the National Institute for Women (Inmujeres) in México from 2019 to 2022. Currently, she is the founder in Mexico and director of Inspiring Girls Mexico – an initiative to empower girls and teens to achieve their dreams.



Laurie Mincieli

UNODA, Political Affairs Officer - Conventional Arms Branch

Laurie Mincieli is a Political Affairs Officer in the UNODA's Conventional Arms Branch, where she oversees a global project on supporting implementation of the Programme of Action on Small Arms and Light Weapons and the gender mainstreaming of small arms control. Prior to this, she worked in UNODA's Office of the High Representative for three years, where she focused on cross-cutting policy issues, including gender and the Secretary-General's disarmament agenda. Her background has focused on multilateral conflict prevention and management and she has also worked for the UN Department of Peacekeeping, think tanks and NGOs prior to joining ODA.



Dragan Božanić

UNDP SEESAC, Gender and Research Project Officer

The focus of Dragan Božanić's current engagement is on increasing the capacities of institutions and other stakeholders in South East Europe to mainstream gender in SALW control through coaching, training, data collection and research, as well as support for policy development and organizational change. Dragan is the author of several SEESAC's research on gender aspects of small arms control and practical tools for the advancement of gender equality in the small arms context. Prior to joining UNDP SEESAC in 2016, he served as Gender Advisor in public administration in the Republic of Serbia.



Anne Akello

MAG International, Global Gender Advisor

Anne Agatha Akello is a Global Gender and Inclusion Advisor with the Mines Advisory Group (MAG). She has over ten years of professional experience in peacebuilding and conflict prevention in Uganda and South Sudan. Most recently, Anne has worked as Gender and Youth Advisor with Conciliation Resources and as a Program Advisor for the German Civil Peace Service in northeastern Uganda, to provide advisory support for a participatory transformation of land conflicts. She is experienced in using constructive dialogues and collaboration to enhance the role of women and other marginalised groups in peacebuilding as well as build their capacity in conflict prevention.



Michal Adamowicz

Disarmament, Non-Proliferation & Arms Export Control Division - European External Action Service (EEAS)

Michal Adamowicz performs duties of an Alternate Chair to COARM (Working Group on Conventional Arms Exports) and is a Policy Officer in charge of SALW in the Disarmament, Non-Proliferation and Arms Export Control Division in the EEAS. Prior to that he served as in the EEAS United States and Canada Division, where he focused on transatlantic security and defence cooperation. Before joining the EEAS, Michal was posted to the Permanent Representation of Poland to the EU and worked on disarmament, non-proliferation, arms export control and counter-terrorism issues. Michal has served as a career diplomat and civil servant in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland.



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