



# UN Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific

*...strengthening peace and security through disarmament*



The **UN Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific (UNRCPD)** assists countries in Asia and the Pacific in achieving their peace, security and disarmament goals, through provision of substantive support; coordination of activities at the subregional, regional and international levels; and information sharing on global and regional activities.

**UNRCPD** works in close partnership with regional and sub-regional organisations, as well as with other United Nations entities and civil society organisations. The Centre focuses its activities in three main areas: providing capacity building and technical assistance, creating and participating in dialogue fora, and engaging in outreach and advocacy on disarmament and arms control issues.



**UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon**  
*'I would like to call on all Asia-Pacific States to work closely with the Regional Centre in strengthening the capacity of governments and civil society to achieve disarmament goals.'*

*Message for the opening of the Centre in Kathmandu, August 2008*

Pursuant to UNGA Resolution A/42/39D, the Centre is mandated to provide, on request, substantive support for initiatives and other activities, mutually agreed upon by the Member States of the Asia-Pacific region, for the implementation of measures for peace and disarmament, and to coordinate the implementation of regional activities in Asia and the Pacific. The United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament became operational in 1989 and was relocated from New York to Kathmandu, Nepal, in August 2008. UNRCPD is part of the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs.

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## AREAS OF ASSISTANCE

- ☀ Promote the **universalisation** and provide **substantive support** for the full implementation of global disarmament, arms control and non-proliferation treaties and norms
- ☀ Assist States to effectively implement the provisions of the **UN Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects (PoA)** to combat illicit small arms and light weapons, including the provision of technical assistance and training courses
- ☀ In cooperation with the Secretariat of the **Arms Trade Treaty (ATT)**, provide support to Member States in their accession to and implementation of the **ATT**
- ☀ Promote **dialogue and confidence-building** on global and regional issues related to disarmament, arms control and non-proliferation, including through the organisation of conferences, workshops and seminars
- ☀ Assist States in strengthening their capacity to fully implement **UN Security Council Resolution 1540 (2014)**
- ☀ **Peace and disarmament education** to meet post-conflict challenges for Asia and the Pacific

## RECENT ACTIVITIES

- ☀ 25th United Nations Conference on Disarmament Issues, Hiroshima, Japan
- ☀ National Roundtable Discussion on the ATT, Indonesia
- ☀ Technical and legal assistance project to support the implementation of the PoA and the ATT, Maldives
- ☀ Workshop on Capacity Building for the PoA and the ATT, Bangladesh
- ☀ Contribution to UNITAR Hiroshima Training Programme on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation for South-East Asian Countries
- ☀ Peace and Disarmament Education Programme Project with the Ministry of Education of Nepal

## DONORS



## The 43 countries covered by the UNRCPD mandate

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