SIDE EVENT TO BMS8

YOUTH INCLUSION AND PARTICIPATION IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS

FRIDAY 1 JULY 2022
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Young people are disproportionately affected by armed violence, both directly as victims and through their association with armed groups or armed forces. Therefore, it is important to develop and integrate a gendered approach to the impact and control of SALW in national, regional and international action plans and instruments, and to create more space and programs for youth in which they can play a key role.

As such, youth-led initiatives will be at the center of this side event. Recommendations to support the participation of youth-led organisations, and promote the exchange of initiatives and good practices contributing to a culture of peace will be discussed, as well as how support can be provided for effective coalition-building between organisations and across regions.

SPEAKERS

- **SHIVANI SOMAIYA**, Humanium Metal youth representative
- **CAROLINE ASKER**, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden Department for Disarmament, Non-proliferation and Export Control
- **DR. AYMAN OKAIL**, Coalition for Limitation of Armaments
- **NOURHAN MOUSTAFA**, MAAT for Peace, Development & Human Rights
- **BIANCA PABOTOY**, Center for Peace Education—Miriam College
- **MONIQUE HANSEN**, Gun Free South Africa
- **NAOMI EKPOKI**, Youth Champion for Disarmament
- **WALTER MURCIA**, United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (UNLIREC)
- **MICHAL ADAMOWICZ**, Disarmament, Non-Proliferation & Arms Export Control European External Action Service

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