



Concluding summary following presentations.

There are a number of ideas that have a clear development angle that may allow us to tap into development funding opportunities. We've already done this successfully with the UD grant that SIPRI received exceptionally as a two-year grant. What would we like to propose for next year? The Cluster will have a dedicated Cluster discussion for this (Date TBC).

- The arms procurement issue could be developed further. It was suggested to AMEX to think about and develop further the type of work done by Diego on Brazil with perhaps a regional study of Latin America. This could be an appealing topic for ODA development funding.
- Another theme that came across is the value of the institutional memory at SIPRI and the historical work. It is an increasing rare asset that SIPRI has now and an advantage.
- What can SIPRI add to the international technology discussion? It was mentioned by the Governing Board that SIPRI could contribute to the conceptual discussion. Therefore, it's important that we have this discussion that was touched on during the morning presentations and following discussions. What's emerging in technology? What terms are useful? What terms are not useful? Can we be more precise in our use of terminology?
- Following a discussion Sibylle held with the new Chair of the Working Party on Non-Proliferation (CONOP), a point was made on a noticeable knowledge gap among new and changing diplomats. Many just don't know the basics regarding arms control and it was suggested SIPRI could perhaps provide brief factsheets to help close that knowledge gap. In the past there have been discussions about offering training courses at SIPRI but there may be interest and possible development funding to take this forward.
- The relationship between old and new technology is an area that came out in the discussion. Partly the nuclear programme is addressing this but it is also something that came through in the ET discussion – not to forget established technologies and the impact. Something discussed too in the export control context - when you speak with licensing authorities and customs a problem area highlighted is chemical weapons and nuclear weapons not new technologies. Partly an interaction between the old and new but maintaining a focus too on established technology and keeping people aware of the basics or informed and updated on developments.

Looking at investment flows to which sectors would be interesting and a further link between ET and AMEX work.

- On the conceptual discussion, something to take forward at SSC 2019 is the discussion on what is warfare? What is a weapon? What is the battlefield? How does this impact deterrence? We are advised to think about how we can use the Stockholm Security Conference 2019 (2-3 October) for our purposes.