

Women, Disarmament, Non-Proliferation and Arms Control



Our Approach

Integrate a **gender perspective** into policies, programs and actions in the fight against trafficking and misuse of small arms.

Promote **equitable representation of women** in all decision-making processes in disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control, as well as **strengthen their technical capacities**.

Link **frameworks for the care and prevention of violence against women** with firearms control measures.

Encourage the **convergence of international agendas** on arms control; women, peace and security; and sustainable development.

With the support of:



Beneficiaries



Facts

14 Latin American and Caribbean States are among the 25 countries in the world with the highest femicide rate (the largest amount committed with firearms).

High levels of **violence against women, the proliferation and easy access to firearms** exacerbate the lethality towards women and girls.

UN GA Resolution 65/69 recognizes the specific contribution of women in the fields of disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control. Currently, women in the region are under-represented in these areas.

Our contribution

Gender focus in all areas of technical and political-legal assistance

Training of the security and justice sector on gender perspective in the investigation of crimes committed with firearms

Training of more than **3,250** women in combating illicit arms trafficking and non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction since 2015

Promotion of women in the region as **'Forces of Change'** by facilitating spaces for participation and making their contribution to the Disarmament Agenda visible



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UNLIREC – headquartered in Lima, Peru – forms part of the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA). Its mandate is to strengthen the capacity of Member States to achieve sustainable peace and security through disarmament, conventional arms and ammunition control, and the non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. UNLIREC also provides technical assistance in line with international good practices and standards.

