

# NGOs/Civil Society and Effective Practices in Co- ordination to implement UNSCR 1540

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# Relevant Actors

- State is still the most important and central actor
- Shift taking place from multilateral bodies to international organisations
- Increasing relevance of Non-Governmental Entities
- Divide between the old export control countries and new export control countries
- Divide within old export control countries

# Relevant Non-Governmental Entities

- Research Institutes
- Think Tanks
- Awareness Groups and organisations
  - Profit and non-profit making
- Universities and their departments
- Industry and Business Associations
- Coalition of NGOs
- International NGOs
- Media
- Individuals

# Coordination

1. With national government
2. With international and regional organisations
3. With industry
4. Within national Non-Governmental Entities
5. With International Non-Governmental Entities and Non-Governmental Entities of other countries

# Coordination with national government

- *Continued primacy to government*
- *Second Opinion: Legislation making and Regulatory feedback*
- *Capacity building*
- *Public education: Easing government's burden*
- *Monitoring*
- *Exchange of information*

# Coordination with Industry

- Bridge between industry and government
- Articulating genuine grievances without becoming its lobbyist
- Discussing issues in the non-governmental policy making forums to arrive at a decision on a complex issue
- Assisting industry in compliance
- Watchdog

# Coordination with Domestic NGEs

- Networking among entities specialising in different issue areas
- Strengthening each other's capacity
- Developing a single forum or institution
- Mobilisation of resources and Optimal use of resources
- Creating a public space for interactions
- Helping to Connect each other to outside entities working on the same area

# With International NGEs and NGEs of other countries

- Extension of public space
- Sharing of Experience
- Review of existing international mechanisms
- New and emerging challenges
- Consensus building
- Public education
- Capacity building of and new countries through NGEs or coalition of NGEs of acceptable countries

# With international and regional organisations

- Regional Organisations which are active or effective or could be activated need to be focused on
- Exchange of customised materials for different stakeholders for different issues
- Balancing between feedback and awareness
- An interactive workshop
- Greater involvement of media

# In sum

- Multilayered Coordination
- A harmonious coordination among the government and its different agencies, civil society groups, and international and regional organisations
- Flow of information from all the relevant actors
- International networking of national consortium
- Periodic review of existing practices
- Transition from Best Practices to Appropriate and Effective Practices