Methodological Development

- Expert group meeting (2016)
- Pilot studies - 14 countries (2017)
- Regional meetings - Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America (2017-2018)
- Consultations with IAEG-SDG and NSOs (2018)
- Finalized questionnaires (2018)
- Illicit arms flows database (2018)
Illicit Arms Glows Questionnaire (IAFQ)

- Focal Points at the National level
  - 58 countries with FP, including mostly:
    - Law Enforcement Agencies
    - Ministries of Interior
    - Specialized agencies
    - Ministries of Foreign Affairs

- Sources: Administrative data on firearms seizures and tracing procedures

- 46 countries responded
  - As of end of October 2018
Indicator 16.4.2: Proportion of seized, found or surrendered arms whose illicit origin or context has been traced or established by a competent authority in line with international instruments

**ACTION**

- Item uniquely identifiable
  - Actions taken after the apprehension: identification, tracing, further investigations...
  - No action taken yet

- Item not uniquely identifiable
  - Actions taken after the apprehension: further investigations
  - No action taken yet

**OUTCOME**

- Item identified in national registry
  - Tracing procedure of checking foreign registries pending / not concluded
  - Item identified in foreign registry

- Item not recorded in national registry and no foreign registries checked
  - Item illicitly manufactured (no original marking)
  - Item with erased or altered marking²

**ORIGIN ESTABLISHED**

- Illicit use by its legitimate owner
  - Item recorded as “lost” or “stolen”
  - Item recorded as “deactivated”
  - Item recorded as “marked for destruction”
  - Item recorded as “confiscated”
  - Last legal owner identified

- Conclusive information through intelligence
  - No conclusive information on origin²

- Illicit manufacture identified
  - Illicit manufacture not identified

- Circumstances for the altering of marking identified
  - Circumstances for the altering of marking not identified

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1. Only weapons where the marking could not be retrieved must be considered in this category.
2. “No conclusive information on origin” may be because the international tracing procedure did not result in any conclusive information, no intelligence / additional information to allow contextualisation are available, or the investigation is still ongoing.
Finalised the methodology after a comprehensive review process that involved exhaustive consultations with the IAEG-SDG, NSOs and national/international experts.

Created a database of focal points, which facilitated data collection and established a direct line of communication with Member States.

Challenging to develop national statistical systems on firearm trafficking.

Continue to conduct training workshops, as previous ones have produced concrete results and demonstrated considerable improvements.

Plan to undertake outreach activities to improve understanding, enhance alignment, and increase responsiveness.

Aim to continuously refine existing questionnaires and design new tools.
Indicator 16.4.2

Tier III
- Approved indicator

Tier II
- Methodology Developed

Tier I
- Good data coverage