

Vienna Action Plan



At the first Meeting of State Parties (1MSP) in Vienna for the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW), representatives and delegates set out **a framework for implementing the TPNW** and working towards the total elimination of nuclear weapons.

The **Vienna Action Plan details the concrete steps** that countries are taking to implement the Treaty, including:

Universalisation

- States agreed to **establish a working group to advance universalisation**, which will include participation from civil society.
- States decided to **create a Scientific Advisory Group** which will advise and report regularly on nuclear weapons, nuclear weapon risks, humanitarian consequences of nuclear weapons, nuclear disarmament, and related issues.

Towards the elimination of nuclear weapons

- States agreed to establish a working group on the creation of '**Competent International Authority**', which would oversee the dismantling of nuclear weapons and related facilities.
- States agreed to pursue further discussion on designating the body that will be responsible for verifying nuclear disarmament.

Helping people and places harmed by nuclear weapons

- States agreed to establish a working group on **victim assistance, environmental remediation; international cooperation and assistance**.
- States agreed to establish guidelines for **age and gender-specific victim assistance**, and take into account the different needs of people in affected communities, including Indigenous peoples.

Complementarity with NPT and other Instruments

- States agreed the TPNW **builds upon, contributes to and complements** a rich and diverse disarmament and non-proliferation architecture.
- Appointed an informal **coordinator to articulate areas for cooperation between the TPNW and Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT)** and cooperating with other international bodies, such as the IAEA and the CTBTO.

"We will take every path that is open to us, and work persistently to open those that are still closed. We will not rest until the last state has joined the Treaty, the last warhead has been dismantled and destroyed and nuclear weapons have been totally eliminated from the Earth."

- Vienna Declaration of the First Meeting of States Parties