Europe and UNSCR1540

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- France, Germany, Romania, Spain and UK voted to adopt res (on UNSC)
- EU quick to announce support thereafter
- Fitted well with EU 2003 WMD Strategy
- 2006 Council extended support to include helping states outside of the EU meet obligations
- EU financial and technical support delivered within framework of para on asistance

- All EU members submitted 2 national reports by Oct 2012
 - France only member to submit an accompanying action plan
 - hardly any provided updates on ongoing bilateral cooperation (except Finland and France)



- Of 46 states that have offered assistance, 23 are EU MS
- Offers for cooperation differ in level of detail
- Most involve sharing national experiences and training in export controls, physical protection & border security
- Many include G8 GP funds, IAEA NSF, OPCW



EU & 1540 Committee

- 2006 joint action and doubled support in second joint action in 2008 to support Committee's outreach on implementation
- 2004 2012, EU contributed €670,000
- EU provided less € to Committee than to any other multilateral non-prolif org supported by the CFSP budget



- Occasional informal exchanges with 1540 Committee
- No close cooperation
 - Inconsistency between mandates of EU institutions related to nuclear seucirty issues and states' obligations under Resolution 1540
 - Lack of EU coordinating function



CBRN Centers of Excellence

- Launched in 2010
- Budget over €100m
 - One of largest EU assistance programme on nonproliferation
 - Fully funded by Commission, co-implemented by UN Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI)
- 1540 Committee informed of CoE and participated in conferences on Coe
- 'all hazards approach' to CBRN risks
 - Includes accidental and natural causes



Areas for Improvement

- Outreach to non-traditional partners
- Need for a coordinating function within EU (EU Personal Representative on WMD)
 - Given multidimensional approach, need more than one person
- Under/over reporting
- EU's overseas countries and territories (OCTs)