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STAKEHOLDERSHIP IN BTWC IMPLEMENTATION
EXPERIENCES FROM THE PAST

- **Foreign Ministry often locus of BTWC activity**
  + For international contacts (demarches, assistance activities)
  + No contacts with stakeholders within the country

- **Single desk officer responsible for all disarmament treaties, as well as other international organisational affairs**
  + Hierarchical workflow
  + Few lateral contacts with other ministries

- **No knowledge of relevant activities taking place on territory**
  + Key stakeholders (e.g., industry) unaware of regulatory updates
  + Government departments unaware of professional associations

- **Stakeholder communities unaware of BTWC**
  + Often activities in the margins of BW prevention
  + BW / terrorism with BW not an area of interest in light of other societal challenges
  + Stakeholder interest needed to be identified and then nurtured
NURTURING STAKEHOLDERSHIP

- Multi-dimensional activity
  - Hierarchical work flows within ministries
  - Lateral contacts among ministries & agencies
    - Highest political decision-making levels
    - Lateral administrative collaboration

- Information
  - Building legitimacy among stakeholder communities
  - Multi-sectorial stakeholder input for implementation actions
    - Issue identification
    - Best practical solutions taking interests all concerned into account
    - Common action for promulgation AND implementation of legislation

- International partnership
  - (Inter-)Regional or bilateral international assistance options
  - Mediation via ISU
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