



Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention
Intersessional meetings | 7-8 June 2018
Side Events

Thursday 7 June, 2018

13:00 – 15:00

Guidelines on Gender and Diversity-Responsive Victim Assistance in Mine Action

Host: Delegation of Italy to the Conference on Disarmament (Geneva) and the Gender and Mine Action Programme (GMAP)

The side event will mark the launch of a set of guidelines developed by the Gender and Mine Action Programme, with Italian funding and in collaboration with Humanity and Inclusion, on integrating gender- and diversity-sensitive approaches to victim assistance. The guidelines are intended as a practical resource for donor and recipient States as well as operators in the mine action and broader disability sectors.

Room: B

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13:00 – 15:00

Abandoned Improvised Mines in Afghanistan: gaining access and consent

Host: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

Representatives from Halo Trust, UNMAS & DMAC will, during a panel discussion, shed light on the problematic Abandoned Improvised Mines (AIMs) situation in Afghanistan. Also, a video connection will be established with community members in Kandahar (Afghanistan). Through Q&A the AIM-related issues, challenges, possible approaches and solutions will be discussed. A specific focus will be on the importance of building community networks and relations in negotiating access for the implementation on the ground.

Room: C1

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13:00 – 15:00

Visualization of standardized data through global dashboards for mine action

Host: Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining

Demonstration of how standardizing a common set of data requirements from mine action programs will ensure programs abilities to fulfil reporting obligations and let us analyse mine action data on a global level. Discussion on global level information requirements and data sensitivity for mine action

Room: Jura Room, (8th Floor)

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Friday 8 June, 2018

13:00-15:00

Sudan eastern states free from known landmine contamination

Host: UNMAS Sudan and Sudan National Mine Action Centre

Sudan recently completed clearance of mine clearance operation in Kassala, Gedaref and Red Sea states, also known as eastern states of Sudan. The event and celebration will mark the achievement of first bench mark for Sudan towards becoming Ottawa complaint and completion. The participants will also receive first-hand information from senior government officials and current donors to UNMAS in Sudan in regards impact of this major achievement and its role in humanitarian-development and peace Nexus.

Room: B

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13:00 – 14:00

Achieving National Ownership: the case of Afghanistan

Host: The Directorate of Mine Action Coordination (DMAC) of the State Ministry for Disaster Management and Humanitarian Affairs

To mark the conclusion of a UN managed mine action programme in Afghanistan and to celebrate the achievements made by all stakeholders during that time, we ask that participants join us for an event that reflects on the past support to the Directorate of Mine Action Coordination in Afghanistan (DMAC) and future leadership of the mine action programme of Afghanistan by the DMAC; the journey towards achieving national ownership.

Room: C1

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14:00 – 15:00

Victim assistance in the context of peace and development

Host: Landmine Monitor (ICBL)

This panel side event will discuss contemporary approaches to victim assistance through the lenses of Landmine Monitor reporting, experiences from affected states and peace building. In particular it will spotlight victim assistance within the scope of the Afghan Civilian Assistance Programme, providing short and long-term assistance. Interlinking mine action programming with planning for inclusive sustainable development involves learning from and contributing to SDG Goal 16: Peace, justice and strong institutions and the UN Women, Peace and Security Agenda. Victim assistance can draw from, and be included in, areas such as broader provisions for conflict victims, settlement processes, peace agreements, and similar transitional justice frames.

Room: C1

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