

# Platform for Partnerships



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- The idea was first raised by Thailand in 2011.
- Action on the idea was encouraged by the 11MSP.
- 2012 Intersessional Work Programme developed the idea.
  - Opportunities highlighted.
  - Concerns noted
- An invitation to provide input was issued in August 2012.
- The initiative was welcomed by the 12MSP.
- The *Platform* established in 2013 on trial basis.

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Support for mine clearance	Financial assistance	<i>Is your State in a position to provide financial support to other States Parties (directly or indirectly) for mine clearance and related activities? If so, can you summarise your State's approach to providing such support and / or highlight funding priorities? If your State is in a position to provide financial support and it has a mine action policy / strategy, could you provide a copy or indicate where it can be accessed on the internet? Who is the point of contact for those interested in follow-up?</i>
	Expertise	<i>Is your State in a position to provide expertise to other States Parties for mine clearance and related activities? If so, what type of expertise is available and how may one acquire this? Who is the point of contact for those interested in follow-up?</i>
	Equipment / materiel	<i>Is your State in a position to provide equipment, supplies or other materiel to other States Parties for mine clearance and related activities? If so, what type of equipment, supplies or other materiel is available and how may one acquire this? Who is the point of contact for those interested in follow-up?</i>
	Exchange of experience	<i>Is your State in a position to share its experience in implementing Article 5 with other States Parties? If so, how? Does your State have evaluations of its demining programme or aspects of it other documentation containing lessons learned that it is able to share with other States Parties? Who is the point of contact for those interested in follow-up?</i>
Support for victim assistance	Financial assistance	<i>Is your State in a position to provide financial support to other States Parties (directly or indirectly) for victim assistance? If so, can you summarise your State's approach to providing such support and / or highlight funding priorities? If your State is in a position to provide financial support and it has a victim assistance / disability strategy, could you provide a copy or indicate where it can be accessed on the internet? Who is the point of contact for those interested in follow-up?</i>
	Expertise	<i>Is your State in a position to provide expertise to other States Parties for victim assistance-related activities? If so, what type of expertise is available and how may one acquire this? Who is the point of contact for those interested in follow-up?</i>
	Equipment / materiel	<i>Is your State in a position to provide equipment, supplies or other materiel to other States Parties for victim assistance? If so, what type of equipment, supplies or other materiel is available and how may one acquire this? Who is the point of contact for those interested in follow-up?</i>
	Exchange of experience	<i>Is your State in a position to share its experience in activities that contribute to assisting mine victims and other persons with disabilities with other States Parties? If so, how? Does your State have evaluations of its victim assistance efforts or aspects of it other documentation containing lessons learned that it is able to share with other States Parties? Who is the point of contact for those interested in follow-up?</i>

# Mine clearance – assistance

Financial	Expertise	Equipment	Experiences
Australia	Albania	Australia	Albania
Czech Republic	Argentina	Greece	Argentina
Finland	Australia	Indonesia	Czech Republic
Monaco	Czech Republic		Greece
Qatar	Finland		Honduras
	Greece		Indonesia
	Honduras		Monaco
	Indonesia		Serbia
	Monaco		
	Qatar		
	Serbia		
	Sweden		

# Victim assistance – assistance

Financial	Expertise	Equipment	Experiences
Australia	Argentina	Australia	Albania
Czech Republic	Australia	Greece	Australia
Monaco	Greece	Indonesia	Grece
Qatar	Indonesia	Monaco	Indonesia
	Qatar	Qatar	Monaco
	Serbia		Qatar
	Thailand		Serbia
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The screenshot shows the website for the AP Mine Ban Convention. The main navigation menu includes: OVERVIEW AND CONVENTION TEXT, BACKGROUND / STATUS OF THE CONVENTION, STATES PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION, MEETINGS OF THE STATES PARTIES, REVIEW CONFERENCES, INTERSESSIONAL WORK PROGRAMME, COORDINATING COMMITTEE, IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT UNIT, and BULLETIN BOARD. A search bar is located at the top center. On the right side, there are social media icons and a 'RESOURCES' section with links for Resources for States Parties, Platform for Partnerships, EU Council Decision, Press Room, Publications, and Calendar. A 'FOLLOW US' section includes icons for Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram. The main content area features a news article titled 'Meeting in Lima to assess Peru's National Plan for Persons with Disabilities'. The article text states: 'Peru is set to assess the application of Cartagena Action Plan commitments to assist landmine survivors. At a 24-25 April workshop in Lima - sponsored by the European Union - Peru will leverage high-level interest in addressing its landmine challenge to improve the condition of all persons with disabilities including landmine survivors, through a revision of its National Plan for Persons with Disabilities. Peru is one of 28 States Parties of the Convention that has reported a significant number of landmine survivors.' A yellow arrow points from the 'STATES PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION' menu item to the article. Below the article, there is a photo of a meeting and a caption: 'On 2-3 December 1997, representatives of over 100...'. The footer of the page includes the text 'new New perspectives on Peru's National Plan on Equality of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities' and 'new Peru to enhance its commitment to landmine...'. The browser address bar shows 'www.apminebanconvention.org'.

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While many States Parties require financial assistance to fulfil their obligations, other types of non-financial assistance – such as material, equipment, expertise, et cetera – are also essential.

In addition, while a minority of States Parties may be in a position to provide financial assistance, many could be in a position to share expertise, equipment and / or experiences as concerns mine clearance and victim assistance.

Initiated by the 2012 Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Resources, Cooperation and Assistance (Albania and Thailand), the Platform for Partnerships is being established as a tool to exchange information on the breadth of available assistance, together with contact details.

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**ASSISTANCE FOR MINE CLEARANCE**

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**EXPERTISE**

**ALBANIA**

Albania has established demining capacities at the levels of team leader, supervisor and deminer. In addition, the Albanian Mines and Munitions Coordination Office (AMMCO) has established capacity in the area quality management for demining operations.

Point of contact: arben.braha(at)ammco.org.al.

**ARGENTINA**

The Republic of Argentina is able to provide the following technical support personnel and delivery of courses as follows: Supervisors to ensure compliance with international mine action standards, mine risk educators, technical staff specialized in stockpile destruction, UXO destruction, logistics, IMSMA management.

Argentina can also provide courses on, joint mine action and Explosive Remnants of War, explosive ordnance destruction, a combined course on mine risk and explosive remnants of war education, Planning and Quality Management in Mine Action and Explosive Remnants of War.

**AUSTRALIA**

The Australian Defence Force (ADF) retains expertise in mine clearance and related activities, as well as equipment used in demining and clearance operations. The ADF exchanges information on a regular basis with the defence establishments of Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and United States as part of the Technical Cooperation Program.

In relation to Explosive Remnants of War (ERW), including land mines, the ADF

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### EXPERIENCES

#### ALBANIA

Albania can share experiences of victim assistance in Albania, particularly through an evaluation carried out by the UNDP. In addition, Handicap International has carried out an evaluation of physical medicine and rehabilitation services in Albania. As well, the Implementation Support Unit is in the process of documenting Albania's good practice as concerns victim assistance.

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#### AUSTRALIA

Australia is in a position to share its experience as a donor to victim assistance and its experience in making the Australian aid program disability inclusive. This experience could be shared with interested stakeholders through presentations to meetings and workshops.

Australia has recently undertaken a mid-term review of its Mine Action Strategy for the Australian aid program and a mid-term review of the *Development for All - Towards Disability-Inclusive Australian Aid Programme*. Both reviews are available on AusAID's website [www.ausaid.gov.au](http://www.ausaid.gov.au).

*Point of contact at AusAID:* Christine Pahlman, [christine.pahlman\(at\)ausaid.gov.au](mailto:christine.pahlman(at)ausaid.gov.au)

#### QATAR

Qatar contributes to the Qatar Red Crescent Society, which can share its experience in the management and planning of victim assistance programmes.

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#### THAILAND

Thailand has experiences to share in emergency response, community-based rehabilitation (CBR), and integrated support for persons with disabilities and their communities. Lessons-learned and best practices on CBR have been compiled by the National Office for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (NEP), which can be shared upon request.

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## Platform for Partnerships – 2014

- Trial phase extended until the Maputo Review Conference.
- Renewed invitation to provide input.
- Platform updated.
- Approximately 1,500 page views since Platform established.
- 142 page views in March 2014.
- A more systematic evaluation required after Maputo.

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