



## **Panel Discussion**

### **Aligning donor coordination to support implementation of the Oslo Action Plan**

**Tuesday, 30 June 2020, 17:00 – 18:00 CET**

**Organizers: The Committee on the Enhancement of Cooperation and Assistance  
(Colombia, Germany, Turkey and The United Kingdom)**

### **Background**

International Cooperation and Assistance is a key component of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention. Under Article 6 of the Convention, States Parties in a position to do so shall provide assistance for the care and rehabilitation, and social and economic reintegration, of mine victims, for mine awareness programs, mine clearance and related activities and stockpile destruction. While States are ultimately responsible for implementing the Convention in areas under its jurisdiction or control, the States Parties have understood that the Convention's shared goals can be advanced through enhanced cooperation.

At the Third Review Conference, the States Parties committed to intensify their efforts to complete the Convention's time-bound obligations, to the fullest extent possible, by 2025. The Maputo Action Plan adopted by the States Parties at the Third Review Conference aimed to improve cooperation between States in a position to provide assistance and affected States Parties. At the Fourth Review Conference, the States Parties recommitted to making progress towards this aim by adopting the Oslo Action Plan 2019-2024 as an essential tool toward the fulfilment of this ambition. The Oslo Action Plan includes several actions aimed at enhancing cooperation and assistance in order to meet the Convention's obligations as soon as possible.

The Fourth Review Conference also adopted the Oslo Declaration in which the States Parties agreed to do their utmost "to strengthen partnerships and to sustain and, where necessary, increase resources, assistance, national and international funding."

### **Objective**

The objective of the panel is to stimulate engagement on the actions related to international cooperation and assistance in the Oslo Action Plan and explore how to strengthen cooperation and assistance to ensure that these actions are implemented and real progress is made towards meeting the 2025 ambition of the States Parties. The panel discussion will also assist the Committee on the Enhancement of Cooperation and Assistance in its wider efforts to gather best practices and lessons learned in order to support and assist States Parties in the full implementation of Article 6 of the Convention.

In particular, the panel will look at the following 4 aspects of Cooperation and Assistance:

- National Ownership
- Donor Coordination
- South-South Cooperation
- Gender

## **Format**

Brief 7 - 8 minutes presentations, Q&A session

The panel will begin with introductory remarks by the presenters which will lay the ground for a question and answer session.

Participants are invited to forward questions or comments in advance to: [isu@apminebanconvention.org](mailto:isu@apminebanconvention.org) (please reference the name of the panel in your email) by **25 June**.

## **Panel**

Moderator: **Simon Cleobury**, Deputy Permanent Representative to the Conference on Disarmament, UK Mission to the UN, Geneva

- **Sergio Larraín Barth**, Disarmament Specialist, International Cooperation Unit, Office of the Undersecretary of Defense, Ministry of National Defense of Chile
- **Wolfgang Bindseil**, Implementation of Humanitarian Assistance, Humanitarian Mine Clearance, Regional Programmes, Regional Policy on Humanitarian Assistance and Chair of the Mine Action Support Group
- **Joe Shapiro**, Mine Action Policy and Programme Lead, Conflict, Humanitarian and Security Department, Department for International Development, United Kingdom
- **Jun Yamada**, First Secretary, Defense Attaché, Delegation of Japan to the Conference on Disarmament
- **Diana Esperanza Castillo Castro**, Second Secretary, Permanent Missions of Colombia to the United Nations at Geneva and Gender Focal Point