



**#NDM-UN 20**

**20<sup>th</sup> International Meeting of National Mine Action  
Programme Directors and United Nations Advisers**

***“Twenty years of mine action: Needs driven, People centred”***

**Agenda**

**Tuesday 7 to Friday 10 February 2017**

***All plenary sessions are held in Room XIX, E-building,  
Palais des Nations, Geneva***

Time	TUESDAY 7 FEBRUARY
09:00- 10:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Bilateral Consultations</i></b>  <i>Coffee will be served outside the plenary room (Room XIX)</i></p>
10:00- 10:30	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Opening Ceremony: Keynote speakers</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Short movie featuring Mr. Daniel Craig, United Nations Global Advocate for the Elimination of Mines and Explosive Hazards</i></p> <p>Mr. Martin Barber, former Director of the United Nations Mine Action Service (<i>video</i>)  Dr Mohammed Haider Reza, former Director of United Nations Mine Action Centre of Afghanistan  Ms. Margaret Arach Orech, founder and Director of the Uganda Landmine Survivor Association</p> <p>Conclusion by Ms. Agnès Marcaillou, Director, United Nations Mine Action Service</p>
10:30- 11:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Official Opening of the Annual Meeting</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(including minute of silence for mine action colleagues lost in line of duty)</i></p> <p>Mr. Michael Møller, Under-Secretary-General, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva  Ms. Agnès Marcaillou, Director, United Nations Mine Action Service</p>
11:00- 11:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:30- 12:45	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Plenary Session One: International Humanitarian Law and Mine Action: Challenges and Progress</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Ambassador Thomas Hajnoczi, Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations in Geneva and Chair of Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p>Ms. Megan Burke, Director, International Campaign to Ban Landmines  Ms. Kathleen Lawand, Head of Arms Unit, International Committee of the Red Cross  Mr. Khaled Rashed, General Director, Directorate of Mine Action, Iraq</p>
13:00- 15:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Lunch / Side events (see page 6 for side event venues)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Enhancing Impact Monitoring</i>  <i>Nigeria +</i>  <i>The way forward for victim assistance: an integrated approach</i></p>
15:00 16:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Plenary Session Two: Mine Action as a Confidence Building Measure in Reconciliation and Peace Processes</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Ambassador Beatriz Londoño-Soto, Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations in Geneva</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p>Nobel Peace co-laureate, Mr. Rae McGrath, founder of MAG and co-founder of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines  Mr. Amarathunga, National Director, Sri Lanka  Ambassador Stefano Toscano, Director, GICHD</p>
18:00	<b>Reception</b> (Serpent Bar, Palais des Nations)

Time	WEDNESDAY 8 FEBRUARY
9:00- 10:00	<i>Bilateral Consultations</i>
10:00- 11:15	<p><b>Plenary Session Three: Mine Action Facilitating and Supporting Stabilization</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Ambassador Henk Cor van der Kwast, Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p>Ambassador Ekkehart Brose, Special Envoy for Crisis Prevention and Stabilization, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Germany</p> <p>Col. Mohamed Turjman, National Director, Libyan Mine Action Centre</p> <p>Mr. Frank Meeussen, Mine Action focal point, Division for Disarmament, Non-Proliferation and Arms Export Control of the European External Action Service</p>
11:15- 11:45	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:45- 13:00	<p><b>Plenary Session Four: Integrating Protection into Humanitarian Mine Action Planning</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Mr. Volker Turk, Assistant High Commissioner for Protection, UNHCR</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p>Ms. Monica Sanchez Bermudez, Global Advisor and Chair of the Housing, Land and Property Area of Responsibility,</p> <p>Ms. Yngvil Foss, Programme Manager Afghanistan, UNMAS</p> <p>Mr. Andrew Wyllie, Chief of Programme Support Branch, OCHA</p>
13:00 - 15:00	<p><i>Lunch / Side events(see page 6 for side event venues)</i></p> <p><i>Mine Action and Displacement</i></p> <p><i>Reciprocal Empowerment: Women and Mine Action</i></p> <p><i>IEDs and the Challenges for Humanitarian Mine Action</i></p>
15:00- 15:30	<p><b>Strategy of the United Nations on Mine Action: Monitoring and Evaluation Update</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Ms. Abigail Hartley, Chair of the IACG-MA</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p>Ms. Maria Vardis, Political Affairs Officer, UNMAS</p> <p>Mr. Hugues Laurence, Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF</p> <p>Mr. Olaf Juergensen, Development and Mine Action Specialist, UNDP</p>
15:30- 16:30	<p><b>Plenary Session Five: Mine Action as an “Accelerator” Towards the SDGs</b></p> <p><b>Co-Chairs:</b> Ambassador Lambertini, Deputy Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations and Mr. Nik Sekhri, Director, Sustainable Development Cluster, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support, United Nations Development Programme</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p>Mr. Shafiq Yousifi, Director, Directorate of Mine Action Coordination (DMAC), Afghanistan</p> <p>Mr. Bounphamith, Deputy Director of the National Regulatory Authority for the UXO/Mine Action Sector in the Lao PDR (NRA)</p> <p>Ambassador Stefano Toscano, Director, GICHD</p>

<b>Time</b>	<b>THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY</b>
<b>09:00-10:00</b>	<b><i>Bilateral Consultations</i></b>
<b>10:00-11:30</b>	<p><b>Plenary Session Six: Mine Action Innovations (Methodologies and Technologies)</b></p> <p><b>Co-Chairs:</b> Ms. Tammy Hall, Head of Strategies and Standards, GICHD Mr. Thuch Ly, Secretary General, Cambodian Mine Action and Victim Assistance Authority (CMAA)</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b> Mr. Karl Dhaene, Deputy Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations, (<i>on IEDD Standards</i>) Mr. Paul Heslop, Chief of Programmes, UNMAS (<i>on UNMAS Innovations in Middle East</i>) Ms. Judy Grayson, UNICEF (<i>on Results Framework for Integrated Mine Action</i>) Mr. Elias Papaioannou, London Business School (<i>on Quantifying Economic Impact of Mine Action</i>) Mr. Olivier Cottray, Head of Information Management, GICHD (<i>on IMSMA Core Technology Workshop Video</i>) Ms. Camille Wallen, Global Monitoring and Evaluation Manager, HALO (<i>on Mobile technologies</i>)</p>
<b>11:30 – 12:00</b>	<b><i>Coffee Break</i></b>
<b>12:00 - 13:00</b>	<p><b>Plenary Session Seven: Community-Based Approaches for Effective Action</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Mr. Andrés Franco, Deputy Director for Private Sector Engagement, Private Fundraising and Partnerships Division, UNICEF</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b> Ambassador Staffan Tillander, Director of Rule of Law &amp; Security Institutions Group, United Nations Mission in Somalia Ms. Asma Hamadi, Civil Society Representative, Libya Mr. U Myo Set Aung, Director of the Department of Social Welfare, Myanmar</p>
<b>13:00-15:00</b>	<p><b><i>Lunch / Side events(see page 6 for side event venues)</i></b></p> <p><b><i>20 years of IMAS</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Intercultural Communication and Mine Action</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Measures for Effective Implementation of Community Based Demining</i></b></p>
<b>15:00-16:30</b>	<b><i>Bilateral Consultations</i></b>

<b>Time</b>	<b>FRIDAY 10 FEBRUARY</b>
<b>09:00- 10:00</b>	<b><i>Bilateral Consultations</i></b>
<b>10:00 – 11:15</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Plenary Session Eight: The Challenges of Completion</b></p> <p><b>Co- Chairs:</b> Dr. Vincent Choffat, Policy and Military Adviser at the Permanent Mission of Switzerland and Mr. Nik Sekhran, Director, Sustainable Development Cluster, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support, United Nations Development Programme</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p>Ambassador Michael Biontino, Permanent Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Conference on Disarmament Mr. Ly Thuch, Secretary General, Cambodia Mine Action Authority Mr. Adriano Goncalves, Advisor, Angola National Intersectoral Commission for Demining and Humanitarian Assistance Mr. Mkhulili Ncube, Director, Zimbabwe Mine Action Centre</p>
<b>11:15 – 11:45</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>11:45 12:30</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Plenary Session Nine: 20 Years of Mine Action</b> <b>(Open Mic – with advance sign-up at NDM helpdesk)</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Ms. Agnès Marcaillou, Director, United Nations Mine Action Service</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Featuring special guests:</b></p> <p>Mr. Jean-Baptiste Richardier, co-Founder of Handicap International and Mr. Mike Wooldridge OBE, former BBC Foreign Correspondent</p>
<b>12:30 - 13:00</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Conclusion and Closing</b></p> <p>Mr. Michael Møller, Under-Secretary-General, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva</p> <p>Ms. Agnès Marcaillou, Director, United Nations Mine Action Service</p>

## Side Events

Time	Title	Venue	Organizer
	<b>TUESDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2017</b>		
13:00-15:00	Enhancing Impact Monitoring	<i>Room XXIII</i>	<i>MAG, HALO, NPA</i>
13:00-15:00	Nigeria +	<i>Room XXIV</i>	<i>UNICEF</i>
13:00-15:00	The Way Forward for Victim Assistance: an integrated approach	<i>Room XXV</i>	<i>Handicap International</i>
	<b>WEDNESDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2017</b>		
13:00-15:00	Reciprocal Empowerment: Women and Mine Action	<i>Room XXIII</i>	<i>Gender and Mine Action Programme</i>
13:00-15:00	Mine Action and Displacement	<i>Room XXIV</i>	<i>Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations</i>
13:00-15:00	IEDs and the Challenges for Humanitarian Mine Action	<i>Room XXV</i>	<i>MAG and HALO</i>
	<b>THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2017</b>		
13:00-15:00	20 years of International Standards for Humanitarian Demining	<i>Room XXIII</i>	<i>UNMAS and GICHD</i>
13:00-15:00	Intercultural Communication and Mine Action: the case of the UNMAS Programme in Sudan	<i>Room XXIV</i>	<i>UNMAS Sudan</i>
13:00-15:00	Measures for Effective Implementation of Community Based Demining	<i>Room XXV</i>	<i>Directorate for Mine Action Coordination, Afghanistan</i>

## Additional Meetings

Time	Item	Organizer	Venue
	<b>TUESDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2017</b>		
17:00-18:00	NGO Forum	UNMAS NY	Room XXIII
Commencing 18:00	Welcome Reception	UNMAS GVA	Serpent Bar, Palais des Nations
	<b>WEDNESDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2017</b>		
16:30-17:30	International Mine Risk Education Forum	UNICEF	Room XXIV
16:30-18:30	Briefing on the Selection of Contractors	UNOPS	Room XXV
	<b>THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2017</b>		
15:00 – 17:00	EECCA Terminology workshop	GICHD	Room XXIV
15:00 – 18:00	Monitoring & Evaluation Consultations	IACG-MA	Room XXV