



The Cartagena Summit on a Mine-Free World

A Shared Commitment • Cartagena / Colombia • 29 November - 4 December / 2009

CARTAGENA SUMMIT SIDE EVENTS

SUNDAY 29 NOVEMBER

06:00 – 16:00

Visita de reconocimiento en el contexto de las víctimas. Hosted by Handicap International.
Location: Carmen de Bolivar (Pre-registration required.)

Delegates are invited to talk with Colombian survivors and learn about the cultural history and the evolution of the internal conflict in Montes de Maria. They will visit of the Hospital Nuestra Senora del Carmen and discuss the role of institutions in the rehabilitation of landmine survivors. Mine risk education initiatives will also be presented. For more information: dp@handicap.org.co

07:00 – 15:00

Sembrarte en Portonaito. Hosted by the Centro Integral de Rehabilitación de Colombia (CIREC).
Location: Islas del Rosario (Pre-registration required.)

In Portonaito, participants will have an unforgettable experience sampling the rehabilitation and leadership process being performed with children and young people with disabilities. They will have the opportunity to sail, kayak, rappel, watch the sea or simply have a powerful conversation with survivors. This activity has a purpose: sharing new and more efficient ways to live daily life thereby contributing to the achievement of psychosocial rehabilitation. For more information: ojedas@cirec.org

07:30 – 15:30

Dive with us! Hosted by the Centro Integral de Rehabilitación de Colombia (CIREC). Location: Islas del Rosario (Pre-registration required.)

Participants will join landmine survivors in enjoying the unique experience of diving at Islas del Rosario. This innovative activity for the psychosocial rehabilitation of landmine survivors and other persons with disabilities puts them in a completely new environment, provides them with tools for life, and also the likelihood of changing their paradigm regarding their disability, in communion with the biodiversity and the marine beauty of Colombia. For more information: ojedas@cirec.org

08:00 – 12:00

CARTAGENA 5K – the Race for Mine-Free World. Hosted by Colombia. Location: Inside Cartagena's old city.

The "Cartagena 5K" race is part of the "More Sports, Less Landmines" strategy designed and promoted by Colombia's Presidential Programme for Comprehensive Action against Anti-personnel Mines. This strategy promotes the participation of persons with disabilities in sports events as part of a comprehensive strategy for rehabilitation and social inclusion. The race also aims to involve Cartagena's citizens in the fight against anti-personnel mines and to promote the rights of persons

with disabilities. *Cartagena Summit* participants are invited to join landmine survivors and other persons with disabilities in a fascinating race that will run along the city walls of Cartagena. For more information: nathaliecastro@presidencia.gov.co

18:00 – 22:30

Cartagena Summit on a Mine-Free World: Opening ceremony. Hosted by Colombia. Location: Getsemani Auditorio followed by Plaza de la Aduana.

The *Cartagena Summit's* opening ceremony will feature two dance companies that have been invited by Colombia to delight the audience with three pieces of inclusive dance. Both companies promote the participation of persons with disabilities in dance, and provide opportunities for inclusion for Colombians with physical, sensory or cognitive disabilities. Dancing allows people to understand their bodies and generate social inclusion dynamics. Furthermore, dancing allows awareness and increasing reflection on discourses related to body, ability and disability. At 19:30, Colombia will offer dinner and drinks at Plaza de la Aduana. For more information: julianachavez@presidencia.gov.co

MONDAY 30 NOVEMBER

13:00 – 15:00

Briefing on Landmine Monitor. Hosted by the ICBL. Location: Salon Pegasus.

At this event, the major global findings of the Landmine Monitor Report 2009, Landmine Monitor's 11th annual report, will be presented. For more information: jackie@icbl.org

Maintaining momentum: extraordinary successes of mine action and challenges in resource mobilization. Hosted by the UN Mine Action Team. Location: Comisión 1.

UN officials and other panelists will refer to challenges for mine action, including funding, at an event that will also serve to launch the UN's 2010 Portfolio of Mine Action Projects. The Portfolio provides a snapshot of global mine action projects and requirements in more than 30 countries, territories and peacekeeping missions. The Portfolio is a resource for donors, policy-makers and service providers. This year's launch is an opportunity for high-level stakeholders to share their views and take stock of the sector's impressive successes, but also to put some thought into the challenges ahead. For more information: buckleya@un.org

Building partnerships for sustainable mine action: meeting of the Resource Utilisation Contact Group. Hosted by Norway. Location: Comisión 2

Many States Parties with obligations to assist victims and to clear mined areas report that lack of resources is a major obstacle to achieve their targets. How can the partnerships underpinning the Convention be reshaped into strategic frameworks for ensuring predictable and sustainable mine action programmes? Presentations on this matter will be made by States Parties and international and non-governmental organisations. For more information: ingunn.vatne@mfa.no

Good practices in socio-economic inclusion. Hosted by Handicap International. Location: Comisión 3

Based on the research conducted by HI on good practices for the economic inclusion of persons with disabilities and on HI field work on socio-economic inclusion in Colombia and Afghanistan, this workshop aims to sensitise practitioners, NGOs, diplomats and funding agencies on good practices and lessons learned on socio-economic inclusion and initiate active partnership among the participants. HI will present both the results of an October 2009 workshop in Afghanistan on "training for micro finance actors and civil society in order to promote access to credit and other financial tools for people with disabilities" and, from a Colombian victim point of view, the Colombian experience on socio-economic inclusion. For more information: hbernard@handicap-international.org or cgosselin@handicap-international.org

Overcoming victimhood. Hosted by Survivor Corps and the Centro Integral de Rehabilitación de Colombia (CIREC). Location: Comisión 4

Victims in many countries remain in a state of victimhood, waiting for reparation and frequently experiencing additional victimisation caused by a lack of understanding of their condition, by stigmatisation or by difficulty in moving on with their lives. This roundtable discussion will feature survivors who have overcome or are in the process of overcoming their situation as victims, experts in the field of victim assistance and policy makers discussing the theme of overcoming victimhood. Experiences from around the world will be shared with special attention given to the Colombian context, key issues identified, and potential future actions proposed. For more information: tleibowitz@survivorcorps.org

18:30 – 20:30

Cartagena Summit President's Reception. Hosted by Norway. Location: El Centro de Formación de la Cooperación Española (Claustro de Santo Domingo)

All delegates are invited to a reception hosted by the President of the Second Review Conference, Ambassador Susan Eckey of Norway. For more information: ingunn.vatne@mfa.no

18:30-21:30

Competition of Latin American videos related to the landmine issue. Hosted by Handicap International and GTO-14 (Grupo de Trabajo Ottawa). Locations: Plaza de la Proclamación, Plaza San Diego and Plaza Santa Teresa.

Several candidates will present their videos in various locations inside Cartagena's old city. The winners will be announced on 3 December. For more information: czc@handicap.org.co or dp@handicap.org.co

TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER

13:00 – 15:00

Albania: Successful completion of Article 5 obligations. Hosted by DanChurchAid, the International Trust Fund and the Albanian Mine Action Executive. Location: Salon Pegasus.

At this event, achievements, challenges and lessons learned will be presented from the perspective of the Albanian Mine Action Executive, International Trust Fund for Demining and Mine Victims Assistance and DanChurchAid in clearance completion of Albania. At the Cartagena Summit Albania will declare that it has fulfilled obligations under the Article 5 of the Convention, having been one of the first significantly contaminated countries that has done so before its deadline. For more information: EVV@dca.dk

Meeting of the Linking Mine Action and Development Contact Group. Hosted by Canada. Location: Comisión 1.

The Linking Mine Action and Development Contact Group is open to all States Parties and organisations involved in efforts to assist affected developing countries to adhere to the norms of the Convention in a manner which is also developmental. Each meeting presents topics of interest to participants which, it is hoped, will integrate mine action with ongoing agricultural, economic or social development initiatives and provide additional incentive for donor support. In addition, updates are provided on issues of interest such as land release. For more information: anne.woodbridge@accidca.gc.ca

What Is Gender Sensitive Mine Action? Good Practices and Lessons Learned from Field Programmes. Hosted by the UN Mine Action Team, the ICBL and the Swiss Campaign to Ban Landmines. Location: Comisión 2.

The event will focus on practical examples from the field illustrating how gender mainstreaming benefits mine action. UN field practitioners will provide operational and inter-agency coordination perspectives while non-governmental organisations will provide an implementing perspective with

practical examples from field programmes. References will be made to relevant legal instruments and resolutions. For more information: russog@un.org or a.calza-bini@scbl-gender.ch

Promoting inclusion in humanitarian development. Hosted by Switzerland. Location: Comisión 3

Since the Nairobi Summit, the concept of *inclusive development* has been highlighted as an appropriate mechanism to ensure that landmine victims and other persons with disabilities have access to the same opportunities in life — for healthcare, social services, a life-sustaining income, education and participation in the community — as every other sector of their community. This event aims to increase understanding of this concept. For more information: thea.ruggia@eda.admin.ch

Victim assistance partnerships. Hosted by Japan and Association of Aid and Relief. Location: Comisión 4.

This event focuses on the importance of formulating partnerships among individuals, corporations, governmental and non-governmental organisations in Japan in the field of victim assistance. Based on the experience gained in this field since the entry into force of the Convention, prospects for advancing victim assistance will be discussed. For more information: chisa.sato@mofa.go.jp.

18:00 – 18:45

Launch of the exhibition "Impact". Sponsored by the UN Mine Action Team. Location: Claustro de la Animas (in front of Salon Pegasus)

"Impact" is a unique mine action art exhibition featuring work by ten Cambodian artists. With funding provided by the UNDP, ten artists were given the opportunity to meet with people living on mined and cleared land, as well as survivors of mine accidents, deminers and others working in the mine action sector. Months in the making, the exhibition highlights the ongoing crisis involving landmines in Cambodia as well as the successes achieved in mine eradication over more than a decade. This launch event will feature a *vin d'honneur*. For more information: buckleya@un.org

18:30 – 21:30

Competition of Latin American videos related to the landmine issue. Hosted by Handicap International and GTO-14 (Grupo de Trabajo Ottawa). Locations: Plaza de la Proclamación, Plaza San Diego and Plaza Santa Teresa.

Several candidates will present their videos in various locations inside Cartagena's old city. The winners will be announced on 3 December. For more information: czc@handicap.org.co or dp@handicap.org.co

19:00 – 21:00

Reception hosted by the President and Director of the GICHD. Location: Hilton Cartagena Hotel

The GICHD will warmly welcome all delegates to its regular annual reception, hosted by the President of the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining, Dr Barbara Haering and the Director of the GICHD, Ambassador Stephan Husy. This will be an opportunity to meet fellow delegates, and continue the week's discussions, a relaxed setting. For more information: s.rihs-aeby@gichd.org

WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER

08:00 – 09:30

Successful experiences in the care and rehabilitation of children and young victims of landmines in Colombia. Hosted by the Centro Integral de Rehabilitación de Colombia (CIREC) and Religions for Peace. Location: Hotel Santa Teresa (Pre-registration required.)

This workshop will explore CIREC's successful practice in rehabilitation/integration and illustrate that religion and religious leaders have much to offer a holistic healing process and social reintegration. The faith community and place of worship is often a centrepiece in societies and an ideal place to develop programmes and actions that give support to survivors. Helping women, men, girls and boys with disabilities to claim their rights and become active citizens is one of the most powerful ways that

religious leaders and communities can improve the lives of survivors. This event will include survivors and representatives of CIREC, as well religious leaders from Africa and Asia. For more information: gbeszterczey@gmail.com or apytlak@religionsforpeace.org

13:00 – 15:00

Briefing on the Convention on Cluster Munitions. Hosted by the Cluster Munition Coalition, Colombia and the Lao PDR. Location: Salon Pegasus.

This side event will update delegations on global efforts to promote the swift entry into force and universal adherence to the 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions. States are invited to provide an update on their efforts to sign, ratify or take national steps to implement the Convention. The Cluster Munition Coalition, the UN and the ICRC will also provide an update on their work on the Convention. For more information: thomas@stopclustermunitions.org

The USA and Landmines. Hosted by the US Campaign to Ban Landmines. Location: Comisión 1.

This event will explore the US position on anti-personnel landmines. A range of speakers will discuss the status of US policy, including actions that can be taken to urge the Obama Administration to join the Convention. For more information: wareham@hrw.org

Contracting in mine action. Hosted by the GICHD. Location: Comisión 2.

A substantial amount of donor contributions to mine action is now spent on contracting commercial entities, NGOs and public sector operators to conduct demining and other mine action related activities. The difference between contracting in mine action and in other industries is that it is often harder to define the end product in terms of exact area, quality and the number of square metres. As there appears to be limited contracting experience within some sections of the mine action community, the GICHD has produced "A Guide to Contracting in Mine Action". The Guide is intended to assist national directors and staff of mine action programmes understand the principles of good contracting processes and procedures and provide practical examples. This event will be the official launch of the Guide and will include a brief description of the main topics covered in it. For more information: i.mansfield@gichd.org

Ensuring access to social services for persons with disabilities in the Middle East. Hosted by Handicap International (HI) and Christoffel Blindenmission (CBM). Location: Comisión 3.

The "Making it Work: From good practice to good policy" initiative looks at collecting data and developing advocacy tools for persons with disabilities, including landmine survivors. It also aims at linking international legal instruments such as the Convention and new international standards on the rights of persons with disabilities for the effective implementation of humanitarian assistance. As part of this effort, Switzerland is sponsoring HI and CBM in carrying out the Disability Monitoring Initiative-Middle East, which is part of the international Making it Work programme, in support of local, national and regional capacity building for persons with disabilities. This event aims to introduce this approach to the States Parties. For more information: pvermeulen@handicap-international.ch

Land release and the International Mine Action Standards. Hosted by Norwegian People's Aid. Location: Comisión 4.

The UN's new International Mine Action Standards (IMAS) that incorporate the land release methods developed over the last few years are being adopted. These global standards can contribute to implementing Article 5 of the Convention in a more efficient and effective way. For this to happen all stakeholders must understand and apply IMAS 8.20-22, and it is especially important that national authorities use this framework to develop new strategies and plans. This workshop will attempt to gather stakeholders, including national authorities, donors and operators, to discuss how best to implement the new standards. For more information: atlek@npaid.org

18:30 – 21:30

Competition of Latin American videos related to the landmine issue. Hosted by Handicap International and GTO-14 (Grupo de Trabajo Ottawa). Locations: Plaza de la Proclamación, Plaza San Diego and Plaza Santa Teresa.

Several candidates will present their videos in various locations inside Cartagena's old city. The winners will be announced on 3 December. For more information: czc@handicap.org.co or dp@handicap.org.co

18:30 – 22:00

“Rumble in Cartagena” Quad Rugby Match. Hosted by Survivor Corps, the ICBL, the CMC and Fundacion Arcangeles. Location: Colegio Salesianos

December 3 marks the anniversary of the signing of both the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention and the Convention on Cluster Munitions as well as International Day of Persons with Disabilities. On the eve of this day, a celebratory event will take place that weaves a memorable sports game with words by key figures in promoting victim assistance and the rights of persons with disabilities. After the game, spectators will have the chance to have a hands-on experience with quad rugby. They will be encouraged to jump in the chairs and have a friendly game with the athletes. The exhibition will end with a cocktail and live music. For more information: olivia@icbl.org

19:00 – 21:00

Star of Hope. Hosted by the Centro Integral de Rehabilitación de Colombia (CIREC). Location: Hotel Santa Teresa (Pre-registration required)

The Star of Hope is a gala evening awarding persons with disabilities who have shown great achievements as well as entities working on the inclusion of persons with disabilities. For more information: ojedas@cirec.org

THURSDAY 3 DECEMBER

13:00 – 15:00

The Middle East and North Africa: 10 years of mine action. Hosted by Protection: Location: Salon Pegasus.

This briefing/debate is intended to discuss efforts in mine action in the Middle East and North Africa in the last 10 years, challenges, lessons learned, opportunities and the future of mine action in the region. For more information: asorour@mena-protection.org

Meeting of the Universalization Contact Group. Hosted by Canada. Location: Comisión 1.

The Universalization Contact Group is open to all States Parties and organisations that are involved in efforts to promote the ratification and accession to the Convention by those 39 States that have not yet accepted the Convention. Meeting participants will be asked to provide updates on universalization efforts undertaken since the last meeting of the Contact Group and to share information on efforts planned for 2010. For more information: john.macbride@international.gc.ca

The Ottawa Convention and the Geneva Declaration on Armed Violence and Development. Hosted by the Philippines. Location: Comisión 2.

This event aims to familiarise delegates with the Geneva Declaration on Armed Violence and Development (GDAVD) and to highlight the common thrusts and aims of the AP Mine Ban Convention and the GDAVD processes. The event also aims to create synergies between and among landmine and AVD experts and advocates, with a view towards helping to establish a broader global community of practice for disarmament. Delegates will be briefed on the upcoming and planned AVD regional and special meetings in Oslo, the Caribbean, the Middle East and Asia-Pacific. For more information: domingojs23@yahoo.com

Presentation of the conference report, “Integral Mine Action in Colombia”. Hosted by the Geneva Call. Location: Comisión 3.

On 13-14 August 2009, the Geneva Call and Colombia organised a conference in Bogota with the participation of 120 representatives from national authorities, international organisations and affected communities from south eastern Colombia. The Conference discussed how to respond concretely to mine action needs in the conflict zones where local communities live, specifically the indigenous and

afro-Colombian communities. Recommendations made by conference participants will be discussed during this event. For more information: mbalci@genevacall.org

Meeting of the Article 7 Contact Group. Hosted by Belgium. Location: Comisión 4.

The Article 7 Contact Group is open to all States Parties and organisations that are involved in efforts to promote compliance with the Convention's transparency reporting provisions. Meeting participants will be asked to provide updates on efforts undertaken since the last meeting of the Contact Group and to coordinate efforts for 2010. For more information: Philippe.Bronchain@diplobel.fed.be

All the voices. Hosted by Fundación Mi Sangre. Location: Getsemani Auditorio.

Colombian singer Juanes will lead an open discussion with Colombian survivors about their stories of life and hope. This will be an opportunity for the audience to understand the reality of a vulnerable population whose voice is not always heard. For more information: ccock@fundaiconmisangre.org

18:30 – 21:30

Competition of Latin American videos related to the landmine issue. Hosted by Handicap International and GTO-14 (Grupo de Trabajo Ottawa). Locations: Plaza de la Aduana.

The three winners of the video competition will be announced. For more information: czc@handicap.org.co or dp@handicap.org.co

19:00 – 21:30

Colombia: Culture and Traditions. Hosted by Colombia. Location: La esplanada de banderas (outside of the conference centre)

The Colombian Government will offer to all delegates a taste of Colombian culture and traditions. This festival will feature typical food, music, flowers and dance, providing delegates with a chance to experience the traditional richness of the host country. For more information: anadiaz@presidencia.gov.co

FRIDAY 4 DECEMBER

13:00 – 15:00

Perspective for a Latin America free of landmines: next steps. Hosted by various ICBL Latin American members. Location: Salon Pegasus.

This event will identify practical measures to be taken towards full implementation of the Convention in Latin America, in the framework of the *Cartagena Action Plan*. Measures to be discussed will include field actions as well as policy recommendations and national plans of action on humanitarian demining, victim assistance and transparency. For more information: piadevoto@gmail.com

Involving young people in human rights campaigns: opportunities and challenges. Hosted by the Italian Campaign to Ban Landmines and Moviment per la Pau. Location: Comisión 1.

Through the results and lessons learned from their work with young women and men, the Italian Campaign to Ban Landmines will share strategies and methodologies to improve the involvement of young people in human rights campaigns. For more information: t.ambrosini@campagnamine.org

Rwanda's road from conflict to peace. Hosted by the Mines Awareness Trust. Location: Comisión 2.

This event will showcase a short film highlighting Rwanda's road from conflict to peace with emphasis on the role of demining in support of a lasting peace in Rwanda and featuring the success of the Rwandan National Demining Programme. For more information: ben@minesawareness.org

Universalisation of the Ottawa and Oslo Conventions in the Asia Pacific region. Hosted by Japan and the Japanese Campaign to Ban Landmines. Location: Comisión 3.

The event aims to share experiences and lessons learned from promoting the universalization of the Ottawa Convention in the Asia Pacific region and to work towards further promotion of the Ottawa and Oslo Conventions. For more information: chisa.sato@mofa.go.jp

Visit to the REI Foundation Rehabilitation Centre. Hosted by Colombia. Location: Fundación REI (Pre-registration required.)

Delegates are invited to visit the “Fundación REI” Rehabilitation Centre that provides physical and psychological rehabilitation as well as other services through an interdisciplinary approach aimed at promoting the self-sufficiency of persons with disabilities, including mine survivors. Delegates will also have the opportunity to see a display set up in the grounds of the centre which shows the experience of Colombian organisations working with and for mine survivors in other parts of the country. To register for this activity or for more information: hildafierro@presidencia.gov.co

Information as of 4 November 2009.