

25TH

INTERNATIONAL MEETING OF

MINE ACTION

NATIONAL DIRECTORS AND UNITED NATIONS ADVISERS

PLENARIES

Provisional as of May 12 2022

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All times in CEST Geneva (UTC+2)	23 June	24 June
	08.00-09.45 Registration	08.00-09.45 Networking/Coffee
	10.00-10.45 Opening session PLENARY I - Mine Action and the Humanitarian Development Peace Nexus	10.00-11.15 PLENARY IV - Small Innovations, Big Wins in EORE
	10.45-12.00 Networking/Coffee	11.15-14.20 Networking/Coffee
	12.00-12.30 SIDE EVENTS* / (lunchtime)	11.15-14.20 SIDE EVENTS* / (lunchtime)
	12.30-14.20 PLENARY II - Maximizing Information Management: Lessons, Challenges and Prospects	14.30-15.45 PLENARY V - Mine Action Financing in Times of Uncertainty: Opportunities and Challenges
	14.30-15.45 Networking/Coffee	15.45-16.15 Closing Ceremony
	15.45-16.15 PLENARY III - On the Right Track? Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in Mine Action	
	16.15-17.30 Reception	
	17.30-19.00	

*Detailed program of side events will be distributed separately

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Thursday, 23 June 2022

PLENARY I: Mine Action and the Humanitarian Development Peace Nexus

This panel takes a broad look at the catalytic role of Mine Action in different contexts where the HDP approach is applied. It will offer observations and reflections on how Mine Action serves as an enabler of humanitarian aid, development processes as well as an enabler of peace. The panelists will discuss how Mine Action programming can promote nexus approaches in crisis and post-crisis contexts and how MA can provide a bridge role across the different nexus actors and forums. The discussion will zoom in on ways in which Mine Action can be tailored to specific national contexts and needs as well as the underlying conditions that are necessary for Mine Action to be effective in the HDP nexus. Other areas covered will include ways to measure impacts and progress and insights on how to ensure robust exit strategies that allow national institutions to address outstanding challenges.

PLENARY II: Maximizing Information Management: Lessons, Challenges & Prospects

Whether using cutting edge technology or rudimentary tools, all mine action programmes manage information in some format. The digital tools available to the sector have become dramatically more capable. But the pace of adopting these tools and, more importantly, how well they align with operations has varied. This session aims to share experiences and good practices among national authorities as they mature their information management systems and structures. The panel will take a broad look at the motivation for information management, offering observations and reflections on the promise, potential and pitfalls of information management. Attendees will be challenged to consider a whole-of-organization approach to unlock the value of information management to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of mine action operations.

PLENARY III: On the Right Track? Equality, Diversity & Inclusion in Mine Action

The focus of this session is to reflect on the goals set in NDM-UN24 and continue the conversation around successes and challenges faced. The previous session focused on promoting racial equity in the mine action sector and implementing measures to ensure a more diverse workforce in mine action. The mine action sector should stay focused on fighting racism and inequality, while broadening our scope through an intersectional lens to include disability and gender to the dialogue. Discussions may also speak to lessons learned from gender mainstreaming and disability inclusion and their applicability to racial equality, diversity, and inclusion. Together speakers will champion the successes made and highlight the room for growth throughout the mine action sector.

Friday, 24 June 2022

PLENARY IV: Small Innovations, Big Wins in EORE

65% of respondents selected EORE as the most and second most important technical/operational issue in the NDM survey. Innovative approaches also scored highly among respondents. The agenda planning team noted EORE had not been a plenary topic in 2021, 2020 or even in 2019 and that it is a crucial pillar of mine action that national directors can and should engage in.

The plenary will cover new technologies used in EORE as well as behavioral change measurement and integration of EORE into other sectors. It will also feature disability inclusion (another subject highlighted in survey feedback as important) in EORE that will be complimentary to the EDI plenary.

PLENARY V: Mine Action Financing in Times of Uncertainty: Opportunities & Challenges

This session will invite leading mine action donors to present their mine action strategies and priority setting methods as well as to inform participants of resource mobilization opportunities and ways to align donor and mine action programme priorities. The panelists will also reflect on opportunities for identifying and accessing funding streams other than those of a purely humanitarian nature, e.g. stabilization and peacebuilding and draw attention to trust funds such as the Peacebuilding Fund which is operational in many mine affected countries.

