

The Implementation Support Unit of the Convention on Cluster Munitions (ISU-CCM)

The Convention on Cluster Munitions is a humanitarian imperative-driven legal instrument which prohibits all use, production, transfer and stockpiling of cluster munitions. In addition, it establishes a framework for cooperation and assistance to ensure adequate assistance to survivors and their communities, clearance of contaminated areas, risk reduction education and destruction of stockpiles.

Mandate

Established in May 2015, the ISU's main objective is to support States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) on the implementation of the Convention.

More specifically, the ISU is mandated by States Parties to undertake the following tasks in accordance with the decision taken by States Parties at the First Review Conference in September 2015 and pursuant to the priorities established through the Dubrovnik Action Plan:

- Provide technical support and advice to the Presidency in all aspects of its role and mandate in leading the work of the Convention;
- Provide support to all States Parties through the Convention's implementation machinery and the thematic working groups;
- Provide advice and technical support to individual States
 Parties through the development of a resource base of
 relevant expertise and practices on the implementation of the
 Convention:
- Prepare for and keep records of formal and informal meetings under the Convention and other relevant knowledge products, expertise and information pertaining to the implementation of the Convention;
- Facilitate communication amongst States Parties and other relevant actors, cooperate and coordinate amongst these and maintain public relations including efforts to promote universalization and other work of the Convention;
- Support the CCM Sponsorship Programme which facilitates a diverse and broad-based regional participation in CCM formal meetings;
- Serve as an interface between the States Parties and the international community on issues related to the implementation of the CCM.

Hosting agreement

The ISU is an independent entity which is hosted by the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) in accordance with the Hosting Agreement reached between the States Parties and the GICHD in 2014.

Work plan

The First Review Conference of the Convention approved the ISU's 5-year work plan and budget for the period of 2016 to 2020. In addition to the 5-year work plan, more detailed annual plans can be found on the Convention's website.

Finances

The ISU is financed through annual and multi-year contributions made by States Parties. Additionally, voluntary contributions can be made, either in a financial or in-kind form, by States Parties and other stakeholders.

For more information

Resources are available on the Convention's website: www.clusterconvention.org

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