



QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

2021 2nd Quarter

Highlights

(1 April – 30 June 2021)

SAVE THE DATE: CCM Second Review Conference Part Two



Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the first part of the 2nd Review Conference of the Convention (2RC Part 1) was held virtually on 25-27 November 2020 and the second part, which is planned to be held in hybrid format, has had to be postponed repeatedly until holding such a meeting is possible. Following the recent resumption of in-person conferencing activities at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, States Parties have agreed for the 2RC Part 2 to take place on **20-21 September 2021**.

On 18 June 2021, 2RC President, Ambassador Félix Baumann of Switzerland, held a virtual briefing to provide an update on the process in the lead up to the 2RC Part 2. While he had hoped to conclude the Review Conference before the summer holidays, various logistical obstacles had rendered that option unfeasible.



After consultation with the CCM Coordination Committee, Ambassador Baumann concluded that the most realistic option would be to convene the second part of the 2RC during the week originally foreseen for the 10th Meeting of States Parties (10MSP) in September 2021. A room has been reserved for the conference that would allow for at least one participant per delegation physically in the room supplemented by webcasting services with interpretation into all six official languages of the United Nations.

Update on deadline extension requests

As a result of the postponement of the 2RC Part 2, the extension requests of Lebanon and Chile under CCM Article 4 were granted by silence procedure on 23 April and 25 May 2021, respectively. This was ahead of their respective Convention deadlines of 1 May 2021 and 1 June 2021.

With the 10MSP now foreseen to take place in September 2022, States Parties not on track to comply with their obligations by their Convention deadlines falling prior to that, are required to submit their extension requests to the 2RC President for them to be considered at the 2RC Part 2. In this regard, Chile and Mauritania submitted their Article 4 extension requests, the first for Mauritania and second for Chile. The Article 4 Analysis Group is currently evaluating and finalizing the reports for both extension requests. The requests have been uploaded and made available on the [CCM website](#).

2020 annual report early bird medallists by region

Medal	Africa	Americas	Asia-Pacific	Europe
	 Zambia	 Saint Kitts & Nevis	 Lebanon	 Monaco
	 Côte d'Ivoire	 Nicaragua	 Iraq	 Liechtenstein
	 Mauritius	 Guatemala	 Laos	 Holy See

To acknowledge the timely submission and broaden the base of the annual report medal recipients, medals have also been awarded to regional early birds. The first three 2020 annual reports received by region are shown in the table above. All 12 States Parties awarded regional medals provided their reports well ahead of the deadline of 30 April 2021, thus setting a good example to all States Parties.

The submission of an annual report is a **legal obligation** as well as an important transparency and confidence building measure among States Parties to the Convention. It is also an important tool to monitor progress in implementation. Only 55 out of the expected 100 annual reports covering the year 2020 have been submitted. States Parties that have not done so are reminded to submit their outstanding reports as soon as possible.

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