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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:

- Assist the President and the President-Designate in all aspects
 of the Presidency; support the Coordinators in their tasks;
 prepare, support and follow up on tasks derived from decisions
 taken at formal and informal meetings of the Convention;
- Offer advice and support to States Parties on the implementation of the Convention;
- Develop and maintain a resource base of relevant technical expertise and practices, upon request, and provide States Parties with such resources;
- Facilitate communication among States Parties and other relevant actors, cooperate and coordinate amongst these and maintain public relations, including efforts to promote the universalization of the Convention;
- **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;
- Manage the Sponsorship Programme in collaboration with the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) by providing guidance, input and support as necessary;
- **Serve as an interface** between 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

Get in touch with the ISU team members if you have queries or need additional information: **info@cmconvention.org**