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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 Second Review Conference of the Convention approved the ISU's **6-year work plan and budget** for the period of 2021 to 2026. In addition to the 6-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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