Side Events

* As of 18 November 2016

**Sunday 27 November 2016**

**07:00 | Field visit to Arica and Parinacota (XV Region)**

Hosted by the Government of Chile — Meeting point at the Sheraton Hotel — Pre-registration required.

Chile will stage a field visit to mined areas and post-clearance sites in Arica and Parinacota. The region is located approximately 2,000 kilometres north of Santiago. Participating delegates will depart from the meeting point at 07:00 and return around 18:30.

**11:00 | “Una explosión sorda y grave, no muy lejos” – the landmine project exhibition**

**Location:** Museo de Arte Contemporáneo MAC Quinta Normal — Avenida Matucana 464 — Santiago (Metro stop: Quinta Normal).

**Contact:** borderagency.collective@gmail.com

A group of Chilean artists explore the relation between new media and contemporary landscapes. For this art installation, created by the Border Agency collective, photographers explore the view beyond the San Pedro de Atacama minefields. The collective is a multidisciplinary art group researching the notion of landscape, territory and identity, and their limits. Free to get in. Museum opens Tuesday through Sunday from 11:00 to 19:00 and to 18:00 on Sundays.

**Monday 28 November 2016**

**13:00 | Landmine Monitor 2016 briefing**

Hosted by the International Campaign to Ban Landmines (ICBL)

**Room:** Pedro De Valdivia (B)

**Contact:** elea@icblcmc.org

Leading civil society experts will share the major findings of Landmine Monitor 2016. The event will detail global and national developments in landmine ban policy, survey, and clearance of landmines and other explosive remnants of war, support for mine action, casualties and victim assistance.
Monday 28 November 2016 (continues)

18:45 | 15MSP Opening Reception

Hosted by H.E. Heraldo Muñoz, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Chile
Room: Carpa Bohío, Sheraton Hotel
Contact: diproconfirmacion@minrel.gob.cl

The 15MSP President is hosting a welcome reception for delegates attending the Fifteenth Meeting of the States Parties in Santiago.

Tuesday 29 November 2016

09:00 | Minas Antipersonal: La Mirada Humana / Anti-Personnel Mines: The Human perspective

Hosted by Seguridad Humana en Latinoamérica y el Caribe, SEHLAC
Room: El Quixote
Contact: piadevoto@gmail.com

Representatives from El Salvador, Colombia and Chile will provide a reflective look on the daily life challenges faced by landmine victims.

13:00 | Launch of the 2016 Clearing the Mines Report
Hosted by Norwegian People's Aid
Room: Pedro De Valdivia (B)
Contact: lucyp@npaid.org

This event will feature HALO Trust, the Mines Advisory Group (MAG), and Norwegian People’s Aid (NPA) as they launch the ‘Clearing the Mines Report’. With a discussion on the progress in landmine survey, clearance and implementation of Article 5 of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention.

13:00 | Guidance for States on an Integrated Approach to Victim Assistance, and Victim Assistance Reporting
Hosted by the Coordinators on Victim Assistance, and Cooperation and Assistance of the Convention on Cluster Munitions, together with the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention Victim Assistance Committee
Room: Pedro De Valdivia (C)
Contact: hugh.watson@dfat.gov.au

This event will launch two new publications with the aim to provide cross-cutting guidance to States in the implementation of victim assistance obligations under the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention, the Convention on Cluster Munitions and Protocol V of the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (CCW).
Tuesday 29 November 2016 (continues)

18:00 | Colombia: An example of peacebuilding in the territory
Hosted by the Colombian National Authority on Mine Action (DAICMA) and Norwegian People's Aid (NPA) — Room: Sheraton Hotel Lobby
Contact: jorger@unops.org or vanessaf@npaid.org

Inauguration of the photography exhibition by award-winner photographer Giovanni Diffidenti featuring demining pilot projects and peace initiatives taking place in the Orejón and Santa Helena areas of Colombia; followed by a reception.

Wednesday 30 November 2016

13:00 | Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) and improvised landmines
Hosted by the Mines Advisory Group (MAG) and the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD)
Room: Pedro De Valdivia (B)
Contact: p.rapillard@gichd.org or chris.loughran@maginternational.org

The mine action community has been addressing threats from improvised landmines since the early days of humanitarian demining. This event will explore current operational and policy challenges and will provide an opportunity for discussion on various solutions in relation to improvised landmines.

13:00 | Cambodia’s Mine Action Program: Let’s finish the job
Hosted by the Cambodian Mine Action and Victim Assistance Authority (CMAA)
Room: Pedro De Valdivia (C)
Contact: touch.pheap@cmaa.gov.kh

This event will provide an update on Cambodia’s mine action program, key achievements, remaining challenges and what is required to finish the job by 2025.

13:00 | Presentation of the study, 'Land Mines and Spatial Development'
Hosted by Handicap International
Room: El Quixote
Contact: g.chiovelli@london.edu

‘Land Mines and Spatial Development’, is a study conducted by The London Business School and Brown University with a specific focus on Mozambique. The authors explore the economic consequences of demining for both the affected districts and to the Mozambican economy as a whole. Results reveal positive impacts of land mine removal on aggregate economic development.
Thursday 1 December 2016

13:00 | Mine Action Innovation in the Middle East
Hosted by the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD)
Room: Pedro De Valdivia (B)
Contact: g.rhodes@gichd.org

This side event draws on the experience of actors in the Middle East region in dealing with multiple challenges for the implementation of mine action activities and poor security environments. These challenges test the ability to maintain recognised standards, stretch opportunities to deliver quality training of field staff, and restrict traditional monitoring and evaluation of projects. This event will present a series of innovative tools and approaches that are in use today, or under development, to deliver solutions for mine action activities under these conditions.

13:00 | SENADIS: Human Rights and the CRPD
Hosted by the Chilean National Service of Persons with Disabilities (SENADIS) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile
Room: Pedro De Valdivia (C)
Contact: cpinto@senadis.cl or sdelpino@sedanis.cl

This side event will feature Professor Maria Soledad Cisternas, President of the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities who will discuss the relationship between international human rights law and the work of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).