



Improvised Explosive Devices Threat Mitigation: Looking Back to Move Forward

Side Event at the CCW Sixth Review Conference

**16 December 2021
13.15 – 15.00 GVA time**

Agenda

Moderator: Christelle Loupforest, Programme Officer, UNMAS Geneva and Deputy Global Coordinator, MA AoR

Opening remarks: Ilene Cohn, Acting Director, UNMAS

- 1. Political, technical, and financial support provided by States Parties to the UN IED threat mitigation approach and to the UN Mine Action Strategy**
 - Ms. Diana Esperanza Castillo Castro, Coordinator of the IED Group of Experts of the Amended Protocol II to CCW, Colombia
 - Colonel Pascal Levant, Coordinator of the IED Group of Experts of the Amended Protocol II to CCW, France

- 2. Main achievements, challenges and lessons learnt in countries where the UN is supporting or leading IED threat mitigation**
 - Mr. Pablo Parra, Acting Chief of Mine Action Programme, UNMAS Colombia
 - Mr. Jean-Guy Lavoie, Chief of Mine Action Programme, UNMAS Mali

 - Mr. Justin Orin Smith, Head of Policy & Analysis, UNMAS Somalia
 - Mr. Mark Wilkinson, Senior Operations Manager, UNMAS Iraq

- 3. Progress made at the strategic level with the adoption of a UN whole-of-system approach to IED**
 - Ms. Maria Vardis, Team Leader, UNMAS Policy

- 4. Relevant international mine action standards developed in the past five years**



- Mr. Raymond Kemei, Programme Officer, UNMAS Mobile Training Team
- Mr. Hugues Laurence, Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF

5. Q&A and concluding remarks