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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

**ONLINE FORUM ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF CHEMISTRY
27 APRIL 2022**

Purpose of the forum

1. The Technical Secretariat of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) wishes to inform Member States that it is organising an online forum on the peaceful uses of chemistry, which is aimed at raising awareness and enhancing knowledge and understanding on chemical safety and security management, with a particular focus on advancing chemical security and related best practices. The forum will take place on 27 April 2022.
2. The forum is intended for chemists, chemical engineers, and other relevant professionals from government and international and regional organisations, as well as representatives from academia and industry with leadership responsibilities related to the implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter “the Convention”).
3. The overall objective of the forum is to create a platform for sharing lessons learned and best practices in chemical security management, in addition to learning about the policies adopted by Member States to foster international cooperation for chemical security management. The forum is also aimed at raising awareness of chemical security capacity-building programmes for future generations.
4. The forum will accommodate 60 participants from Member States whose economies are either developing or in transition.

Basic structure of the forum

5. The forum will begin with an introduction to the Convention and its relevance to chemical safety and security. It will include a discussion on lessons learned and best practices in chemical security management and touch upon international cooperation efforts in the field of chemical activities for purposes not prohibited under the Convention.

Eligibility requirements and selection procedure

6. Applications will be carefully screened based on the criteria specified in paragraph 2 above. Only selected participants will be contacted by the Secretariat.



7. All forum activities will be conducted in English, and no interpretation services of any kind will be provided. Participants are therefore expected to have a good command of the English language, both written and oral.
8. Nominations of female candidates are strongly encouraged.

Application procedure

9. Interested candidates are invited to submit their applications through Eventus, the OPCW event management system (<https://apps.opcw.org/eventus>). Applicants must first create an account and then register for the event. Only applicants who, for technical reasons, are unable to submit their applications online via Eventus are requested to complete and send the endorsement and application forms (attached as Annexes 1 and 2 to this Note) as an email attachment (icb.events@opcw.org), with the reference “Online Forum on Peaceful Uses of Chemistry” in the subject line of the message.
10. Only nominations endorsed by the National Authority or Permanent Representation of the applicant’s country to the OPCW will be considered. The endorsement form (Annex 1), together with an up-to-date curriculum vitae, must be uploaded when submitting applications online.
11. Completed applications should be submitted to the Secretariat **no later than Friday, 18 March 2022**. Additional information may be obtained from the International Cooperation Branch of the International Cooperation and Assistance Division. The contact person is Mr Saurabh Bhandari, Programme Officer (Tel: +31 (0)70 416 3489; Email: saurabh.bhandari@opcw.org or icb.events@opcw.org).

Annexes:

- Annex 1: Endorsement Form
Annex 2: Application Form

Annex 1**ONLINE FORUM ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF CHEMISTRY
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OR PERMANENT REPRESENTATION**

This form must be duly signed, sealed, and uploaded when submitting the application electronically (<https://apps.opcw.org/eventus>)

I, _____, Head/Chief Coordinator of the National Authority/Permanent Representation of the State Party of _____, on behalf of the Government of _____, hereby endorse the nomination of Mr/Ms _____, holding the position/designation of _____ in the Office/Division/Branch of _____, as indicated in the online registration form, for participation in the “Online Forum on the Peaceful Uses of Chemistry”, to be held on 27 April 2022.

I also certify that the above candidate fulfils all the requirements mentioned in the invitation note.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Designation: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

Official seal of the organisation:

Annex 2

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APPLICATION FORM

Applications including the completed form, together with a detailed curriculum vitae and an endorsement from the National Authority or the Permanent Representation of the applicant's country to the OPCW, should be received by the Secretariat **no later than 18 March 2022** and should be addressed to:

The Director, International Cooperation and Assistance Division, OPCW
Johan de Wittlaan 32, 2517 JR The Hague, the Netherlands
Email: icb.events@opcw.org

Please type or use BLOCK LETTERS

Family name*			
First name(s)*			
Date of birth	Day	Month	Year
Citizenship			
Gender**	Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Female <input type="checkbox"/>	
Areas of expertise			
Employer			
Contact address (Please do not give a post-office box number)	Street		
	Number	Postcode	
	City		
	Country		
Email address			
Telephone numbers, including country and city codes	Home		
	Work		
	Mobile		
Have you previously participated in a course of this kind?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
	If so, when and where?		
Applicant's signature: _____	Date: _____		

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* Please give the first and family names exactly as they appear in the nominee's passport.
** For this and all like items, please tick the appropriate box.