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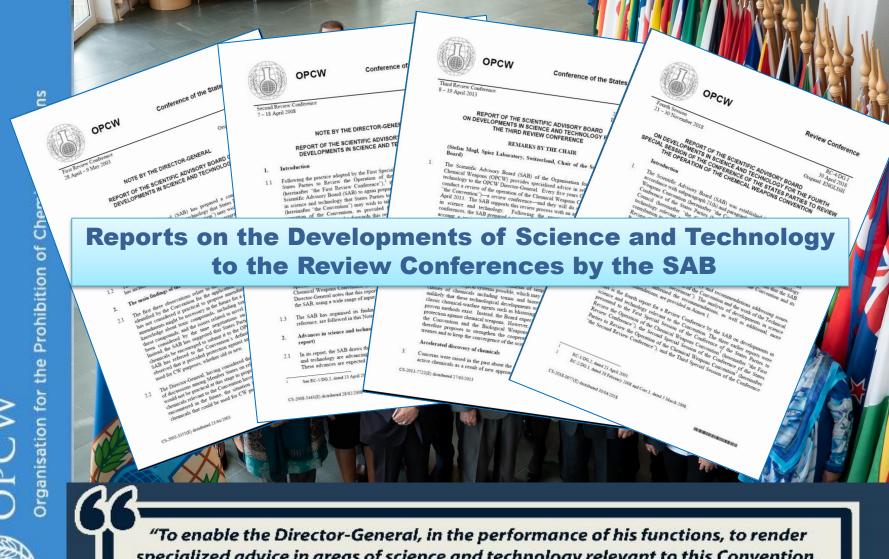


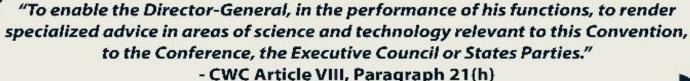


"To enable the Director-General, in the performance of his functions, to render specialized advice in areas of science and technology relevant to this Convention, to the Conference, the Executive Council or States Parties."

- CWC Article VIII, Paragraph 21(h)

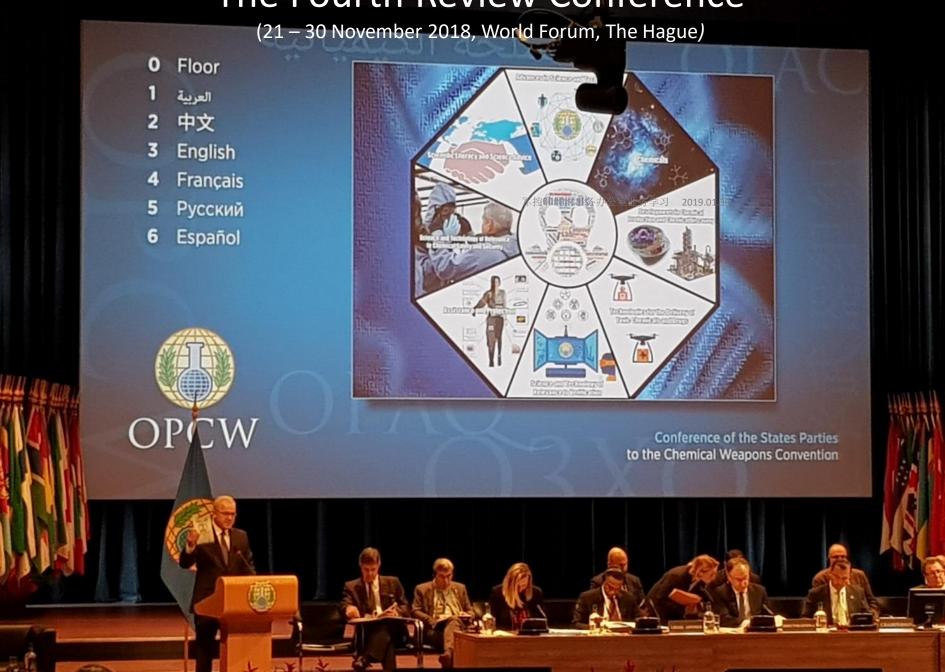
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## The Fourth Review Conference



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(21 – 30 November 2018, World Forum, The Hague)

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Review Conference

Fourth Session 21 – 30 November 2018 RC-4/3/Rev.1 30 November 2018 Original: ENGLISH

# CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOURTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES TO REVIEW THE OPERATION OF THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION (FOURTH REVIEW CONFERENCE)

The Chairperson of the Fourth Special Session of the Conference of the States Parties to Review the Operation of the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter "the Fourth Review Conference") issues this report under the general powers of the presiding officer (Rule 50 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the States Parties). Before presenting this report the Chairperson submitted a Draft Informal Report on the Review of the Operation of the Chemical Weapons Convention for the consideration of the Fourth Review Conference. Based on comments received, he concluded that, despite broad consultations and best efforts, consensus could not be achieved. The Review Conference worked on the principle that nothing was agreed until everything was agreed.







Working Together For a World Free of Chemical Weapons

### **Temporary Working Group on Investigative Science and Technology**

Reporting to the Scientific Advisory Board (SAB), the Temporary Working Group (TWG) will in particular consider the following questions:

#### Question 1:

Which methods and capabilities use sciences could usefully be developed a Chemical Weapons Convention-based

#### Question 4:

What are the best practices for the colcuration and storage, and annotation of

#### Question 7:

Which methods are available (or an for the sampling and analysis of a biomedical materials and can be used toxic industrial chemicals relevant Weapons Convention?

#### Question 10:

Do collections of physical objects, sa information for chemical weapons-rel and can they be made available to retrospective review? How might the used to support investigations?



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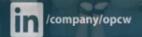
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### **Temporary Working Group on Investigative Science and Technology**



### **OPCW Scientific Advisory Board Workshop**

Chemical Forensics: Capabilities across the field and the potential applications in CWC Implementation

Helsinki Finland, 20-22 June 2016



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### **Areas of focus**

Forensic methods and capabilities

Sampling, detection and analysis

**Provenance** 

Data collection and management

Integrity of scene and evidence collection

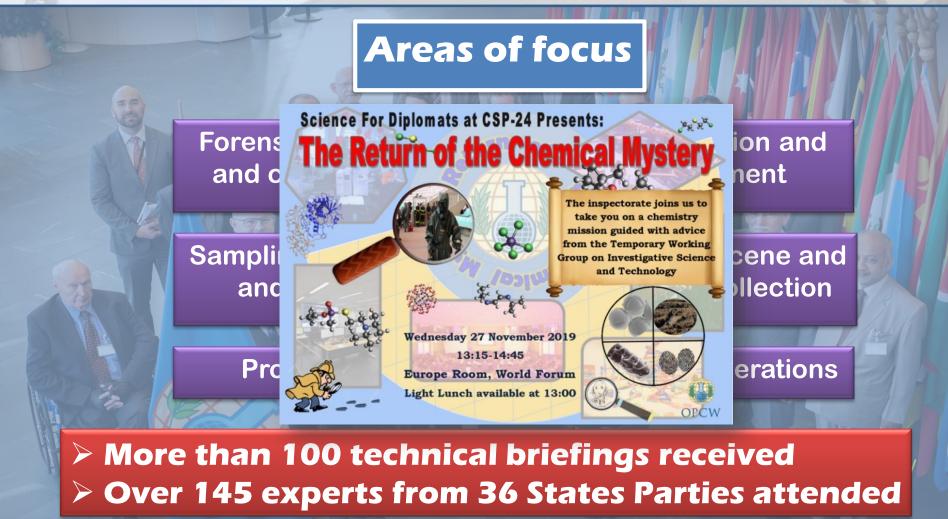
Other considerations

- More than 100 technical briefings received
- > Over 145 experts from 36 States Parties attended



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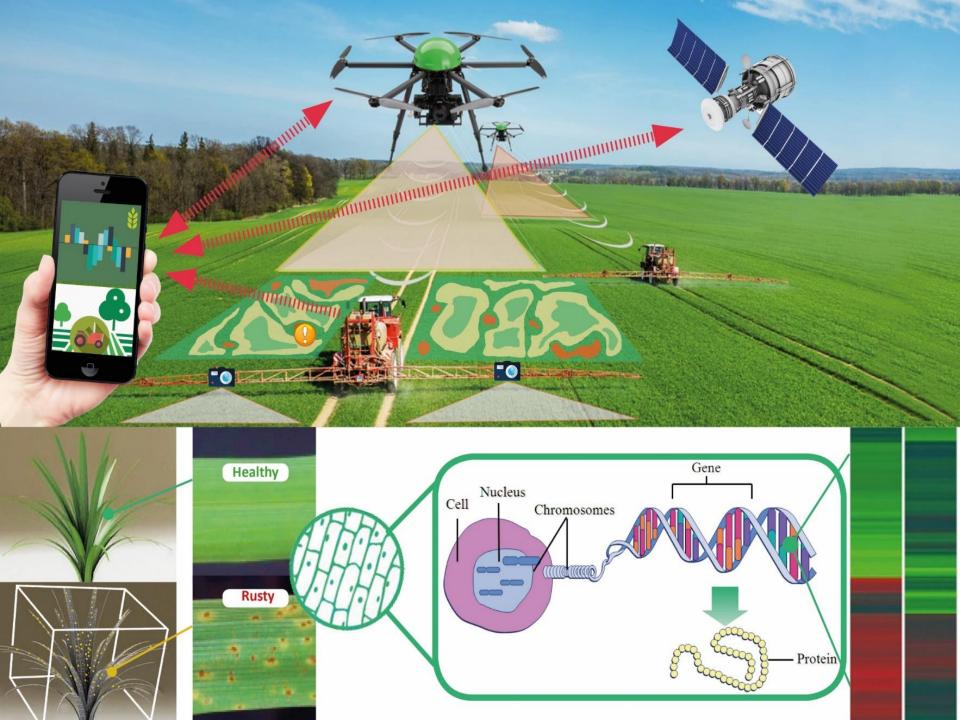
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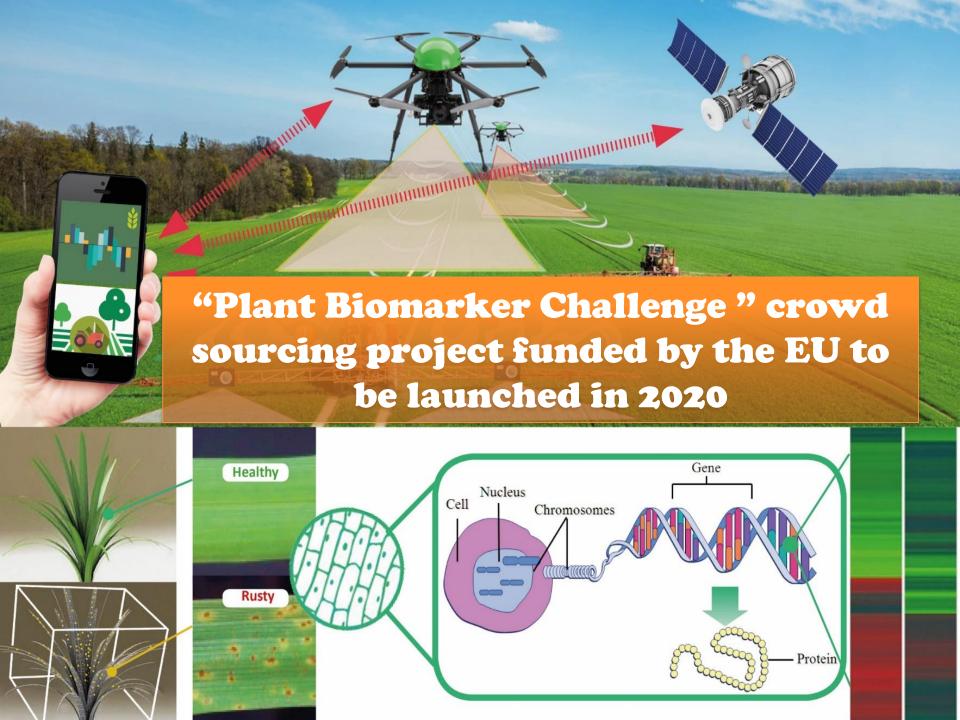
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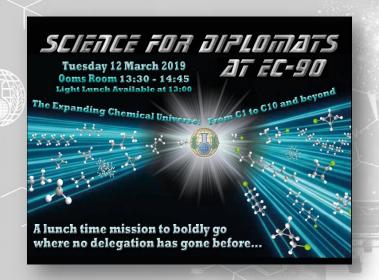
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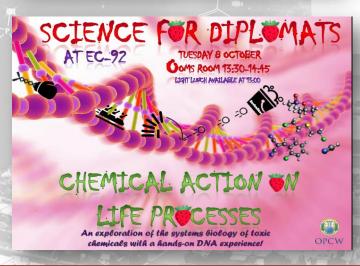




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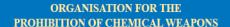








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#### THE "SCIENCE FOR DIPLOMATS" ANNEX ON CHEMICALS

A user friendly and scientifically annotated version of the Chemical Weapons Convention Annex on Chemicals



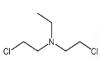


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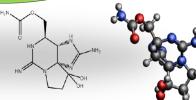
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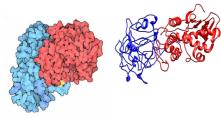


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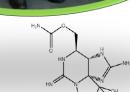
Ricin is a protein composed of toxic (A-chain) and cell-targeting (B-chain) subunits, illustrated in red (A-chain) and blue (B-chain) in the structure on the left. The right structure is an interactive ribbon model of the ricin molecule.8

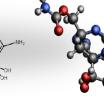






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# **Engagement with the BWC Communities**

















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# BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION

#### Meeting of Experts 2

Review of Developments in the Field of Science and Technology Related to the Convention



31 July, 2 August 2019 Room XX, Palais des Nations





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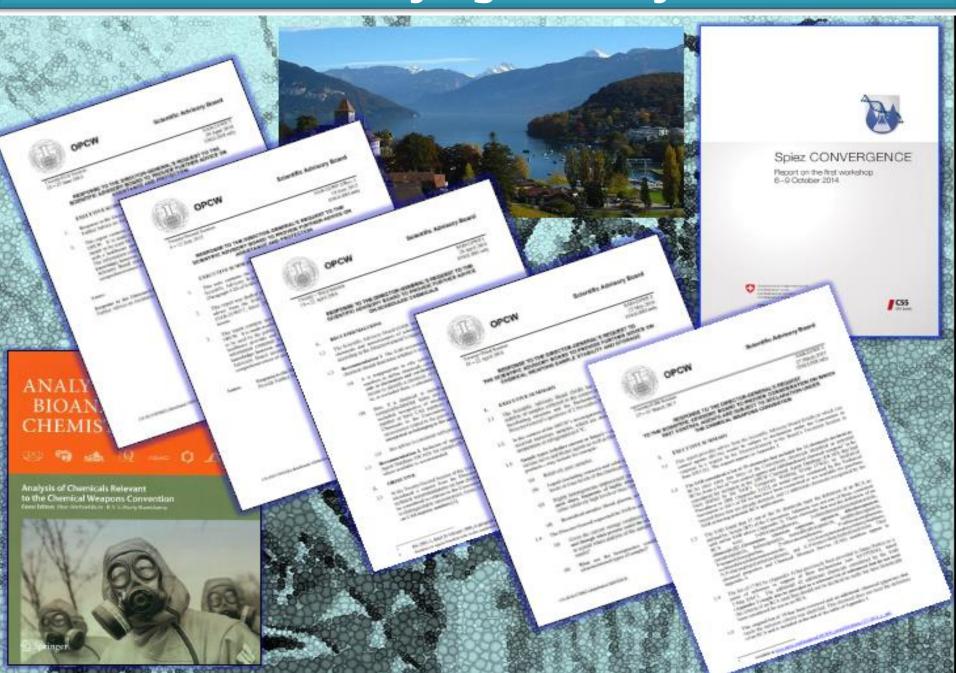


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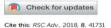
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Advice from the Scientific Advisory Board of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons on riot control agents in connection to the Chemical Weapons Convention†

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Advice on assistance and protection provided by the Scientific Advisory Board of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons: Part 1. On medical care and treatment of injuries from nerve agents



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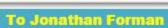












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