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OPCW CALENDAR FOR MARCH TO DECEMBER 2020

1. The calendar annexed hereto lists events that the OPCW has organised – some in cooperation with one or more Member States – that are to be held from March to December 2020. It also lists the sessions and meetings of the policy-making organs and their subsidiary bodies that are to take place in 2020. It does not include consultations of an informal nature or other activities of the Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”); these are reflected in the OPCW Journal.
2. The calendar is also available on the OPCW website, www.opcw.org, and will be updated periodically.
3. The last column in the calendar indicates which unit of the Technical Secretariat (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) can be contacted about each event listed.

Annex: OPCW Calendar for March to December 2020



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Date	Title	Reference	Location	Secretariat Contact ¹
MARCH				
3-5 March	Ninth Session of the Advisory Board on Education and Outreach	ABEO-8/1, dated 22 August 2019	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	OSP
8-12 March	Basic course on emergency response to chemical incidents for Arabic-speaking Member States	—	Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates	APB
10-13 March	Ninety-Third Session of the Executive Council	Decided at EC-91	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	PMO
17-20 March	Regional general training courses on the Chemical Weapons Convention for National Authorities and stakeholders	—	Quito, Ecuador	IPB
23-25 March	Sub-regional assistance and protection tabletop exercise for States Parties members of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)	—	Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	APB
23-27 March	Basic course on response to chemical attacks or incidents with toxic industrial chemicals for States Parties from the Latin America and Caribbean region	S/1812/2019, dated 18 November 2019	Panama City, Panama	APB

¹ Legend for Division and Branch names:

APB: Assistance and Protection Branch
 BFB: Budget and Finance Branch
 ICB: International Cooperation Branch

IPB: Implementation Support Branch
 OCS: Office of Confidentiality and Security
 OSP: Office of Strategy and Policy

PAB: Public Affairs Branch
 PMO: Secretariat for the Policy-Making Organs

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23 March-3 April	Analytical skills development course for Member States in the Africa region at the Finnish Institute for Verification of the Chemical Weapons Convention	S/1805/2019, dated 21 October 2019	Helsinki, Finland	ICB
30 March-3 April	Swiss Exercise	—	Spiez, Switzerland	APB
APRIL				
14-16 April	Workshop on the role of legislation in addressing current and emerging threats	—	Muscat, Oman	IPB
14-16 April	Seminar on the Chemical Weapons Convention and chemical safety and security management for Member States of the OPCW in the Africa region	S/1834/2020, dated 29 January 2020	Port Louis, Mauritius	ICB
14-17 April	Executive programme on integrated chemicals management	S/1835/2020, dated 31 January 2020	Port Louis, Mauritius	ICB
21-23 April	Annual assistance coordination workshop	—	Samarkand, Uzbekistan	APB
MAY				
4-8 May	Eighth training course on conducting sampling in a highly contaminated environment	S/1831/2020, dated 28 January 2020	Częstochowa, Poland	APB
11-21 May	Live-agent training course for experts	S/1829/2020, dated 24 January 2020	Zemianske Kostol'any, Slovakia	APB
11-22 May	Analytical chemistry course under the OPCW Programme to Strengthen Cooperation with Africa on the Chemical Weapons Convention	S/1823/2020, dated 15 January 2020	Pretoria, South Africa	ICB
12-15 May	Basic analytical chemistry course for women chemists	S/1836/2020, dated 31 January 2020	OPCW Laboratory Rijswijk, the Netherlands	ICB

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13-21 May	Assistance and protection training course for instructors	S/1828/2020, dated 24 January 2020	Lázně Bohdaneč, Czech Republic	APB
18-27 May	Course on chemical emergency response for Russian-speaking first responders	S/1838/2020, dated 3 February 2020	Svetlaya Roshcha, Belarus	APB
25-29 May	Basic course on assistance and protection against chemical weapons	S/1827/2020, dated 22 January 2020	Spiez, Switzerland	APB
27-29 May	Twenty-Second Meeting of the Commission for the Settlement of Disputes Related to Confidentiality	CC-21/1, dated 3 May 2019	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	OCS
JUNE				
1-3 June	Regional meeting of National Authorities from Eastern Europe	—	Warsaw, Poland	IPB
1-12 June	Analytical chemistry course in Spanish for Member States of the OPCW in the Latin America and the Caribbean region	S/1830/2020, dated 24 January 2020	Madrid, Spain	ICB
2-4 June	Article X planning and coordination workshop for States Parties members of the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)	—	Yaoundé, Cameroon	APB
2-5 June	Forty-Eighth Session of the Advisory Body on Administrative and Financial Matters	ABAF-47/1, dated 2 August 2019	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	BFB
3-5 June	Regional meeting of National Authorities from Latin America and the Caribbean	—	Sucre, Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	IPB
8-11 June	Assistance and protection laboratory training for Russian-speaking Member States	—	Almaty, Kazakhstan	APB

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9-11 June	Eighteenth regional meeting of National Authorities of States Parties in Africa	S/1841/2020, dated 14 February 2020	Lomé, Togo	IPB
15-19 June	Course for analytical chemists from laboratories supporting customs services	S/1837/2020, dated 31 January 2020	OPCW Laboratory Rijswijk, the Netherlands	ICB
22-24 June	Advanced course in chemical safety and security management	—	Lima, Peru	ICB
23-25 June	Regional meeting of National Authorities from Asia	—	Phnom Penh, Cambodia	IPB
29 June-3 July	Basic assistance and protection course for first responders in Asia	—	Seoul, Republic of Korea	APB
JULY				
7-10 July	Ninety-Fourth Session of the Executive Council	Decided at EC-91	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	PMO
13 & 14 July	Symposium on women in chemistry	—	Bali, Indonesia	ICB
21-23 July	Lessons learned workshop on training of trainers for French-speaking Member States	—	Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire	IPB
24 July-25 September	Associate Programme 2020	S/1801/2019, dated 11 October 2019	Various locations in the Netherlands and elsewhere	ICB
28-31 July	Forty-Ninth Session of the Advisory Body on Administrative and Financial Matters	ABAF-47/1, dated 2 August 2019	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	BFB
AUGUST				
11-14 August	Training of trainers for customs training academies	—	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	IPB

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17-28 August	Assistance and protection training for instructors from African States Parties	—	Tshwane, South Africa	APB
25-28 August	Regional general training courses on the Chemical Weapons Convention for National Authorities and stakeholders	—	Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire	IPB
SEPTEMBER				
8-10 September	Sub-regional stakeholders forum on national implementation	—	Lusaka, Zambia	IPB
14-18 September	Scene management/Sampling and Analysis in contaminated environments	—	Algiers, Algeria	APB
20 September	The Hague International Open Day	—	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	PAB
21-25 September	Two parallel courses: Wuppertal annual course on loss prevention and safety promotion in the chemical process industries	S/1804/2019, dated 16 October 2019	Wuppertal, Germany	ICB
22-24 September	Seminar on the Chemical Weapons Convention and chemical safety and security management for Member States in Eastern Europe	—	Zagreb, Croatia	ICB
28 September-2 October	The Asser Institute's Eleventh Annual Training Programme on Disarmament and Non-proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction in a Changing World	—	The Hague, the Netherlands	PAB
OCTOBER				
4-8 October	International course on medical aspects of assistance and protection against chemical weapons	—	Teheran, Islamic Republic of Iran	APB
6-9 October	Ninety-Fifth Session of the Executive Council	Decided at EC-91	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	PMO
19-30 October	Laboratory skills course	—	Zemianske Kostol'any, Slovakia	APB

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26-30 October	Swiss laboratory course	—	Spiez, Switzerland	APB
27-29 October	Education training on chemical safety and security for youth	—	Nairobi, Kenya	ICB
NOVEMBER				
3-5 November	Twenty-Second Annual Meeting of National Authorities	—	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	IPB
9-13 November	International exercise on assistance and protection	—	Islamabad, Pakistan	APB
9-13 November	Medical course on chemical casualties management for Member States in the Latin America and the Caribbean region	—	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	APB
30 November-4 December	Twenty-Fifth Session of the Conference of the States Parties	C-22/5*, dated 1 December 2017	World Forum, The Hague, the Netherlands	PMO
DECEMBER				
15 & 16 December	Workshop on national implementation framework	—	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	IPB

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