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NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT

OPCW CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2021

1. The calendar annexed hereto lists events organised by the OPCW in the period from October to December 2021. It also includes sessions and meetings of the policy-making organs and their subsidiary bodies. It does not include consultations of an informal nature or other activities of the Executive Council; these are reflected in the OPCW weekly Journal.
2. In light of the restrictions posed by the COVID-19 pandemic and in line with the measures adopted by the OPCW Host Country Government, the Technical Secretariat (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) is regularly reviewing the feasibility of the planned events and their delivery formats. This may require further updating of this list as conditions evolve. The Secretariat is committed to resuming the in-person format of delivery as soon as conditions permit, while actively pursuing the provision of capacity-building support through alternative means in the form of remote online sessions.
3. The calendar is also available on the OPCW website (www.opcw.org) and will be updated periodically.

Annex: OPCW Calendar for October to December 2021



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Date	Title	Reference	Location/modality	Secretariat Contact ¹
OCTOBER				
4 – 8 October	Workshop on chemical supply chain: regional road transport safety and security management	—	Virtual meeting, with support from Malaysia	ICB
4 – 13 October	Basic analytical chemistry course for women chemists	—	Virtual meeting	ICB
4 – 14 October	Online course for analytical chemists from laboratories supporting customs services	—	Virtual meeting	ICB
4 – 15 October	Basic Proficiency Tests training course	—	Virtual meeting	ICB
4 – 17 October	Third edition: virtual course on emergency management tools – WISER and ERG – for first responders of Member States in the Latin America and the Caribbean region	—	Virtual meeting	APB
4 October – 3 December	OPCW-IUPAC safety training programme e-learning course for Member States in the Latin America and the Caribbean region	S/1969/2021, dated 14 July 2021	Virtual meeting	ICB
5 – 8 October	Ninety-Eighth Session of the Executive Council	EC-94/4, dated 9 July 2020	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands, and online streaming	PMO

¹ Legend for Division and Branch names:

APB: Assistance and Protection 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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11 – 15 October	Basic assistance and protection course for first responders in Asia	—	Virtual meeting, with support from the Republic of Korea	APB
11 – 24 October	Second edition: online course on detection, identification, and sampling of chemical warfare agents (CWAs) and toxic industrial chemicals (TICs) for first responders of States Parties in Latin America and the Caribbean	—	Virtual meeting	APB
12 October	Online lessons learned workshop on introduction of Chemical Weapons Convention-related training for national customs training institutions of States Parties in Latin America and the Caribbean	—	Virtual meeting	IPB
12 & 13 October	Eighth annual meeting of representatives of chemical industry and National Authorities of States Parties to the Chemical Weapons Convention	S/1980/2021, dated 5 August 2021	Virtual meeting	IPB
13 – 15 October	Twenty-Third Meeting of the Commission for the Settlement of Disputes Related to Confidentiality	—	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	OCS
16 – 21 October	Training course in French on legislative and regulatory issues on chemical security	—	Virtual meeting	IPB
18 October – 5 November	Associate Programme 2021	—	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, The Netherlands, and various other locations	ICB

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NOVEMBER				
8 – 12 November	Third edition of a virtual basic course on decontamination of chemical warfare agents (CWAs) and toxic industrial chemicals (TICs) for first responders of States Parties in Latin America and the Caribbean	—	Virtual meeting, with support from Argentina	APB
10 – 12 November	Assistance and protection online course for instructors	—	Virtual meeting, with support from the Czech Republic	APB
15 November	Meeting of the Steering Committee of the OPCW Africa Programme	—	Virtual meeting	ICA
15 – 19 November	Thirty-Third Session of the Scientific Advisory Board	SAB-32/1, dated 17 June 2021	OPCW Headquarters, The Hague, the Netherlands	OSP
15 – 19 November	Zoning and safety checkpoints; Reconnaissance; Sampling—online training course for Russian-speaking first responders	—	Virtual meeting	APB
15 – 28 November	Module 1 – course on assistance and protection in deterrence and prevention on the use of chemical weapons & toxic industrial chemicals, from a law enforcement officers first responders' perspective (Modules 2 & 3 to be held in 2022)	—	Virtual meeting	APB
22 November – 3 December	Analytical chemistry course in Spanish for Member States of the OPCW in the Latin America and the Caribbean region	S/1975/2021, dated 21 July 2021	Virtual meeting	ICB
23 – 25 November	Virtual course on assistance and protection against chemical warfare agents (CWAs) and toxic industrial chemicals (TICs) for first responders of Portuguese-speaking States Parties	—	Virtual meeting	APB
23 – 26 November	Twenty-Third Annual Meeting of National Authorities	S/1972/2021, dated 16 July 2021	Virtual meeting	IPB

Date	Title	Reference	Location/modality	Secretariat Contact ¹
29 November – 3 December	Twenty-Sixth Session of the Conference of the States Parties	C-22/5*, dated 1 December 2017	World Forum, The Hague, the Netherlands, and online streaming	PMO
29 November – 3 December	Online basic-plus training course on assistance and protection against chemical weapons and emergency response to chemical incidents	—	Virtual meeting, with support from Malaysia	APB
29 November – 3 December	First online basic course on assistance and protection for female armed forces personnel of States Parties of the OPCW constituting the Inter-American Defense Board	—	Virtual meeting	APB
DECEMBER				
6 – 10 December	Analytical skills development course	S/1978/2021, dated 30 July 2021	Virtual meeting, in collaboration with India	ICB
7 – 10 December	Decontamination of personnel and victims – online training course for Russian-speaking first responders	—	Virtual meeting	APB
8 – 10 December	Training course for representatives of customs training institutions from Africa on the transfers regime of the Chemical Weapons Convention	S/1984/2021, dated 24 August 2021	Virtual meeting	IPB
8 – 14 December	Training course in Spanish on legislative and regulatory issues in chemical security for States Parties in Latin America and the Caribbean	—	Virtual meeting	IPB
13 – 26 December	Basic virtual course on assistance and protection against chemical warfare agents (CWAs) and toxic industrial chemicals (TICs) for first responders of States Parties in Latin America and the Caribbean	—	Virtual meeting, with support from Costa Rica	APB

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