

**Statement Czech Republic**  
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**AGENDA ITEM [8] – EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES**

Czechia fully aligns itself with the statement delivered by Cyprus on behalf of the European Union and would like to add some remarks in its national capacity.

The OPCW is at a crucial stage where emerging technologies and the AI are reshaping chemical weapons practices. Synthetic biology, artificial intelligence, nanotechnology, quantum technologies and advanced chemical synthesis are transforming the way chemicals are produced, detected, and potentially weaponized.

Czechia underlines the importance of the Secretariat monitoring the developments in emerging technologies with a view to identifying possible opportunities and risks to the implementation of the Convention.

In this context, we welcome the April workshop on artificial intelligence in Republic of Korea and commend Germany, Morocco and China for facilitating similar exchanges on emerging technologies in the past.

OPCW must remain technologically relevant and future-proof. That is why emerging technologies must stay on the top of the OPCW agenda. We greatly value the work and advice of the Scientific Advisory Board and stand ready to continue support its activities in the future.

Thank you Mr. Chairperson.