



# International Day for the Foundation of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons

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# Chemical Safety and Security in a Technologically Evolving World

In May 2016, the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) will hold a conference series and exposition entitled *Chemical Safety and Security in a Technologically Evolving World* to celebrate the first annual International Day for the Foundation of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons. This event will bring together stakeholders from across relevant communities in disarmament, and chemical and technological industry to discuss innovation and a world free of chemical weapons.

The OPCW, which derives its mandate from the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) has successfully served as a multilateral security organisation, working towards a world free of chemical weapons since 1997. To date, the OPCW has 192 Member States who share the collective goal of preventing chemistry from ever again being used for warfare. As the destruction of chemical weapon stockpiles declared by Member States approaches completion, the Organisation looks to build on its successes and act as a vehicle for enhancing global security by promoting peaceful uses of chemistry and by engaging international partners to assess and combat current and future threats.

The Conference will cover three thematic tracks, namely:

- Chemical Safety and Security
- Technology Foresight
- Future Scenarios

The presentations and activities of the conference will provide a forum for engagement on open issues in chemical safety and security, as well as an opportunity to discuss emerging and enabling technologies, so as to identify challenges and opportunities facing chemical disarmament in the near and far future. The exposition will feature companies and organisations with CBRN relevance, as well as new technologies with CBRN applications.

The Technical Secretariat of the OPCW hereby invites you to participate in this three day event, which will be held from 2-4 May 2016, at the Headquarters of the OPCW in The Hague, Netherlands.





# How to Participate

Participants in this event will include:

- Representatives of partner organisations
- Leaders in scientific and technological fields and representatives from the OPCW Designated Laboratories.
- Members of National Authorities, NGOs and CBRNe Centers of Excellence.
- Exhibitors of CBRNe relevant materials and technologies.

## Exposition

The exposition space will be located on the grounds of the OPCW Headquarters in The Hague. Exhibition space is limited and will be allocated on a first-come-first-serve basis. Booths will be approximately 7-9m<sup>2</sup>, and exhibitors are requested to indicate when registering whether they would like to reserve one or two booths. The cost for exhibition space will be €250 per m<sup>2</sup>. Please contact us at [opcwday@opcw.org](mailto:opcwday@opcw.org) to participate in this event as an exhibitor.

## Poster Sessions

This event will additionally include poster sessions, for which participants and exhibitors may prepare posters. The posters are to be displayed in a common area for participant viewing. Poster presentations will be selected through submission of abstracts.

For further information, please contact us at [opcwday@opcw.org](mailto:opcwday@opcw.org) or visit [www.opcwday.org](http://www.opcwday.org)



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