



# 73rd Session of the General Assembly First Committee Side Events

2018 indicative schedule\*

**26 October**

Conference Room 7  
1:15-2:30 pm

**Programme of Action on Small Arms and Light Weapons: what's next?**

Permanent Mission of France with International Action Network on Small Arms  
(contact: [rose.welsch@iansa.org](mailto:rose.welsch@iansa.org))

**26 October**

Conference Room A  
1:15-2:30 pm

**Understanding the trade in small arms and light weapons on the dark web**

Office for Disarmament Affairs (contact: [gohg@un.org](mailto:gohg@un.org))

**29 October**

Conference Room A  
1:15-2:30 pm

**Nuclear Weapons Ban Monitor 2018**

Permanent Missions of Austria, Ireland and New Zealand with  
International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (contact: [katy.donnelly@mfat.govt.nz](mailto:katy.donnelly@mfat.govt.nz))

**30 October**

Conference Room 8  
1:15-2:30 pm

**Building Momentum for the Entry into Force of the  
Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons  
~ featuring survivors from the Hiroshima Atomic Bombing ~**

Permanent Missions of Austria and Mexico with Peace Boat  
(contact: [esanchezk@sre.gob.mx](mailto:esanchezk@sre.gob.mx) and [info@peaceboat-us.org](mailto:info@peaceboat-us.org))

**30 October**

Conference Room 7  
1:15-2:30 pm

**Challenges for the Governance of Synthetic Biology and Implications for  
UN Security Council resolution 1540 (2004)**

Permanent Missions of Plurinational State of Bolivia and Sweden (contact: [mzambranat@gmail.com](mailto:mzambranat@gmail.com))

**31 October**

Secretariat Building  
Floor 27, Room 2727FC  
1:15-2:45 pm

**Establishing effective verification measures to support future nuclear disarmament**

Office for Disarmament Affairs and VERTIC (contact: [king6@un.org](mailto:king6@un.org))

**5 November**

Conference Room 7  
1:15-2:30 pm

**Transparency Commitments on Arms Transfers and Military Budgets:  
Tools for Conflict Prevention**

Office for Disarmament Affairs (contact: [evora@un.org](mailto:evora@un.org))

\* This schedule comprises the information received by UNODA as of close of business 25 October 2018. The list will be updated on a regular basis at <https://bit.ly/2QoPxx0>. Member States and NGOs that wish to add their events to this list can contact Diane Barnes at [diane.barnes@un.org](mailto:diane.barnes@un.org).



**Completed Side Events:****9 October**

Conference Room 4 Disarmament to Save Humanity: Toward a World Free of Nuclear Weapons  
1:15-2:30 pm Office for Disarmament Affairs (contact: holbach@un.org)

Conference Room 7 Militarization of the Occupied Crimea  
1:15-2:30 pm Permanent Mission of Ukraine (contact: veronika.taradai@mfa.gov.ua)

Conference Room 11 The future of the multilateral nuclear disarmament process  
1:15-2:45 pm Permanent Mission of Brazil and Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs  
(contact: pechristiansen@pugwash.org)

**10 October**

German House Negative Security Assurances  
1:15-2:45 pm Permanent Mission of Germany (contact: pol-hosp4-vn@newy.auswaertiges-amt.de)

**11 October**

Conference Room 4 Briefing on the 2018 U.S. Nuclear Posture Review  
1:15-2:30 pm Permanent Mission of the United States of America (contact: bravacjo@state.gov)

**12 October**

Conference Room 11 The Hague Code of Conduct: Tools and challenges to address ballistic missile proliferation today  
12:45-2:30 pm **RSVP** Permanent Mission of Sweden (contact: e.maitre@frstrategie.org)

Conference Room 9 Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) universalization: Asia-Pacific region  
1:15-2:30 pm Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka and CCM Implementation Support Unit  
(contact: s.mweemba@cmconvention.org)

**15 October**

Conference Room A The Application of International Law in Cyberspace: State of Play  
1:15-2:30 pm Permanent Missions of Austria, Estonia, Mexico and the European Union with the  
EU Institute for Security Studies (contact: george-wilhelm.gallhofer@bmeia.gv.at)

Conference Room 4 Securing our common future: Promoting gender-responsive disarmament and security  
1:15-2:30 pm Permanent Missions of Ireland and Namibia with UNIDIR and  
Office for Disarmament Affairs (contact: renata.hessmannalacqua@un.org)

Conference Room 4 Screening of the film "Where the Wind Blew"  
6:00-8:00 pm Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan and Office for Disarmament Affairs  
(contact: kuatbekov85@gmail.com and claudia.garcia-guiza@un.org)

**16 October**

Conference Room E To Safeguard Future Generations: Multi-Faith Responses to the Threat of Nuclear Weapons  
11:30-1:00 pm Permanent Missions of Austria, Nigeria and Thailand with  
NGO Committee on Disarmament, Peace and Security (contact: george-wilhelm.gallhofer@bmeia.gv.at)

Conference Room 4 Nuclear Risk Reduction  
1:15-2:30 pm UNIDIR and Office for Disarmament Affairs (contact: john.borrie@un.org)

**17 October**

Conference Room 12 Joint briefing on the NPT review cycle by the Chairs of the 2017, 2018 and 2019 sessions of the PrepCom  
1:15-2:45 pm Permanent Missions of Netherlands, Malaysia and Poland  
(contacts: stella.kaburis@minbuza.nl, amirhamzah@kln.gov.my and tomasz.tokarski@msz.gov.pl)

Conference Room 8 Retaining Meaningful Human Control of Weapons Systems  
1:00-2:25 pm Permanent Mission of Austria and Campaign to Stop Killer Robots (contact: wareham@hrw.org)

Conference Room 7 Preventing the Diversion of Arms and Ammunition  
1:15-2:45 pm Permanent Missions of France and Mexico with Control Arms  
(contact: raluca.muresan@controlarms.org)

**18 October**

Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan, 305 E 47th St. Consolidating and Enhancing Cooperation among Nuclear- Weapon-Free Zones  
12:30-2:30 pm Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan and Office for Disarmament Affairs  
(contact: kuatbekov85@gmail.com or claudia.garcia-guiza@un.org)

Conference Room 4 Evidence of Absence: Verifying Removal of Nuclear Weapons  
1:15-2:30 pm UNIDIR (contact: wilfred.wan@un.org)

Conference Room A Strengthening the Protection of Civilians from the Use of Explosive Weapons in Populated Areas  
1:15-2:45 pm Permanent Missions of Austria, Chile and Ireland with the  
International Network on Explosive Weapons (INEW) (contact: george-wilhelm.gallhofer@bmeia.gv.at)

**Completed Side Events:****19 October**

- Conference Room A  
1:15-2:30 pm  
Nuclear Security and Nuclear Disarmament  
UNIDIR (contact: pavel.podvig@un.org)
- Conference Room 11  
1:15-2:45 pm  
How to Use the Arms Trade Treaty to Address Gender-Based Violence  
Permanent Missions of Ireland and Sweden with Control Arms  
(contact: raluca.muresan@controlarms.org)

**22 October**

- Conference Room 4  
1:15-2:30 pm  
Addressing the International Security Implications of S&T – innovations and combinations  
UNIDIR and Office for Disarmament Affairs (contact: king6@un.org)
- Conference Room E  
1:15-2:30 pm  
Security Beyond Earth: Celebrating 15 Years of the Space Security Index  
Permanent Mission of Canada (contact: simon.collard-wexler@international.gc.ca)
- German House  
1:15-2:45 pm  
ATT Voluntary Trust Fund  
Permanent Mission of Germany and Arms Trade Treaty Secretariat  
(contact: pol-hosp4-vn@newy.auswaertiges-amt.de)
- Conference Room 7  
1:15-2:45 pm  
Supporting and sustaining peace: mainstreaming weapons and ammunition management in support of United Nations peace operations  
**RSVP** Permanent Mission of the Netherlands and Office for Disarmament Affairs  
(contact: prizeman@un.org)
- Conference Room A  
1:15-2:45 pm  
Preventing Terrorists from Acquiring Weapons  
Permanent Missions of Australia, Egypt and Germany with CTED, ODA, UNIDIR and UNODC  
(contact: nivedita.mathukumar@un.org)

**23 October**

- Conference Room E  
1:15-2:45 pm  
Report back from Arms Trade Treaty Conference of States Parties 2018 and Prospects for CSP 2019  
Permanent Missions of Japan and Latvia with Control Arms (contact: raluca.muresan@controlarms.org)

**24 October**

- Conference Room A  
8:30-9:45 am  
The Expanding Use of Armed UAVs and the Need for International Standards  
Permanent Missions of Germany and the Netherlands with UNIDIR, PAX and Stimson Center  
(contact: george.woodhams@un.org)
- Conference Room 7  
1:15-2:30 pm  
From Tiger Reef to Panda Warrior: The Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism (GICNT)  
**RSVP** Permanent Mission of Finland (contact: sanomat.yke@formin.fi)
- German House  
1:15-2:45 pm  
High-level event on “Disarmament that Saves Lives”  
Permanent Mission of Germany and Office for Disarmament Affairs  
(contact: pol-hosp4-vn@newy.auswaertiges-amt.de)

**25 October**

- Conference Room 11  
1:15-2:45 pm  
A new ambition to counter Improvised Explosive Devices  
Permanent Mission of France (contact: myriam.haillet@diplomatie.gouv.fr)
- Conference Room A  
1:15-2:30 pm  
Data-Driven Protection and Arms Control: How Civilian Casualty Recording and Civilian Harm Tracking Can Strengthen the Protection of Civilians and Arms Control  
Permanent Mission of Austria (contact: george-wilhelm.gallhofer@bmeia.gv.at)
- Conference Room E  
1:15-2:30 pm  
Strengthening the role of the Regional Centres in the context of the SG’s Disarmament Agenda  
Office for Disarmament Affairs (contact: charles.ovink@un.org)
- Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, 666 3rd Ave.  
1:15-2:45 pm  
Presentation of the ATT Monitor Annual Report 2018  
Permanent Missions of Australia and the Netherlands with Control Arms  
(contact: raluca.muresan@controlarms.org)
- Permanent Mission of Canada, 885 2nd Ave.  
1:15-3:00 pm  
Beyond the Buzz: Gender in Arms Control  
**RSVP** Permanent Mission of Canada and Small Arms Survey  
(contact: boris.colinas@smallarmssurvey.org)
- IPI, 777 UN Plaza  
Floor 12  
6:00-7:30 pm  
Examining the Role of Conventional Arms Control in Preventing Conflicts and Building Peace  
International Peace Institute and UNIDIR (contact: sebastian.wilkin@un.org)