

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**  
**Twenty-Sixth Annual Meeting of National Authorities**  
*The Hague, The Netherlands, 20 – 22 November 2024*

**Tuesday, 19 November 2024**

14:00 – 17:30 Pre- registration of participants (OPCW Lobby)

**DAY 1: Wednesday, 20 November 2024**

08:30 – 09:30 Registration of participants (OPCW Lobby)

09:30 - 09:45 **Opening Address by the Director-General of the OPCW**

09:45 - 10:00 **Group Photo and Administrative Announcements**

**SECRETARIAT UPDATES**

10:00 – 10:30 **Presentation: Updates on capacity-development activities of the International Cooperation and Assistance (ICA) Division, OPCW-Technical Secretariat (TS)**

*Q&A*

10:30 – 10:50 *Coffee Break*

10:50 - 11:10 **Presentation: Highlights of science- and policy-related developments by the OPCW-TS**

*Q&A*

11:10 – 11:30 **Presentation: Updates from Declarations by the OPCW-TS**

11:30 – 11:50 **Presentation: New hardware for Inspection by the OPCW-TS**

11:50 – 12:00 *Q&A*

12:00 – 12:10 **Presentation: Implementation of Article VII – Status by the OPCW-TS**

12:10 – 12:20 **Presentation: Indicative Guidelines for Safe and Secure Transport of Hazardous Chemicals by Road by the OPCW-TS**

12:20 – 12:30 *Q&A*

12:30 – 14:00 *Lunch Break*

14:00 – 15:00 *Administrative matters (for sponsored participants only, RM 003 and RM 001)*

*Bilateral Meetings with relevant Secretariat staff/other States Parties*

*Note: to be requested in advance*

15:00 – 15:15 *Coffee Break*

**REGIONAL GROUP MEETINGS**

15:15 – 17:30

- **Africa** (*Ieper Room*)
- **Asia** (*Training Room B11*)
- **Eastern Europe** (*Room O11*)
- **Latin America and the Caribbean** (*Ooms Room*)
- **Western Europe and Others** (*Training Room B33*)

17:30 – 19:30 **Reception at the OPCW Delegates' lounge, hosted by the Director-General of the OPCW**

**DAY 2: Thursday, 21 November 2024**

09:00 - 09:30 *Administrative matters (for sponsored participants only, RM 003 and RM 001)*

09:30 - 09:35 **Summary of Day 1**

09:35 – 10:20 **Presentation: Rapporteurs' feedback from Regional Group Meetings**

10:20 – 10:35 *Coffee Break*

**THEMATIC SESSION 1: CWC Comprehensive Implementing Legislation**

10:35 – 10:45 **Presentation: Advancing CWC National Implementing Legislation by the OPCW-TS**

*Q&A*

10:45 – 11:20 **Panel discussion: CWC Implementing Legislation: Challenges and Progress**

- *3 Member States*

*Q&A*

11:20 – 11:35 **Presentation: Parliamentarians' Role in the Adoption of CWC implementation**

- *Inter-Parliamentarian Union*

11:35 – 11:40 *Q&A*

11:40 – 12:00 **Presentation: Global Trade, Environmental Governance and Sustainable Development Goals**

- *Expert presentation*

12:00 – 12:30	<b>Panel discussion: OPCW’s contribution to Advancing Global Peace, Security and Sustainable Development</b> - 2 Member States, OPCW-TS, and Expert
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch Break</i>
<b>THEMATIC SESSION 2: CUSTOMS AND THE CWC</b>	
14:00 – 14:10	<b>Presentation: Customs authorities’ role in CWC implementation by the OPCW-TS</b>
14:10 – 14:25	<b>Presentation: The CWC transfers regime for scheduled chemicals: current trends and challenges</b> - <i>World Customs Organization</i>
14:25 – 14:40	<b>Presentation: CWC and UNSC Resolution 1540: Strengthening the Role of Customs in Non-Proliferation</b> - <i>United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs</i>
14:40 – 14:50	<i>Q&amp;A</i>
14:50 – 15:20	<b>Panel discussion: Customs as a key stakeholder in CWC implementation</b> - 3 Member States and International Organisation
15:20 – 15:35	<i>Coffee Break</i>
<b>THEMATIC SESSION 3: CHEMICAL SECURITY LEGISLATION</b>	
15:35 – 15:50	<b>Presentation: Understanding the current chemical security threat landscape</b> - <i>INTERPOL</i>
15:50– 16:00	<b>Presentation: Legislative Frameworks on Chemical Security by the OPCW-TS</b>
16:00 – 16:35	<b>Panel Discussion: Chemical Security Legislation: Challenges and Best practices</b> - 3 Member States
16:35- 17:30	<b>Group Exercises with the participation of all Member States on the following topics:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Challenges regarding CWC implementing legislation</li> <li>• Developing country-specific Chemical Security Legislation</li> <li>• Cooperating with Customs Authorities in CWC implementation</li> <li>• Transfer Discrepancies -Facilitating information collection through legislative measures</li> </ul>
<b>DAY 3: Friday, 22 November 2024</b>	
09:00 - 09:05	<b>Summary of Day 2</b>
09:05 – 09:35	<b>Presentation: Rapporteurs’ feedback from Group Exercise</b> - 4 Member States
<b>THEMATIC SESSION 4: TRANSFER DISCREPANCIES</b>	
09:35 – 10:00	<b>Presentation: Overview and Updates on Scheduled Chemicals and Transfer Discrepancies by the OPCW-TS</b>
10:00 – 10:40	<b>Panel discussion: Member States experiences dealing with Transfer Discrepancies</b> - 4 Member States
10:40– 10:50	<i>Q&amp;A</i>
10:50 – 11:05	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:05 – 11:15	<b>Presentation: Recent developments regarding the Mentorship/Partnership Programme by the OPCW-TS</b>
11:15– 11:35	<b>Presentation: Mentorship/Partnership Programme: Lessons learned and experiences</b> - 4 Member States
11:35 – 11:45	<i>Q&amp;A</i>
11:45 – 12:00	<b>Presentation: Highlights and Updates on the CWC and Artificial Intelligence following the OPCW Global Conference in Morocco by the OPCW-TS</b>
12:00 – 13:30	<i>Lunch Break</i>
13:30 – 13:40	<i>Administrative matters (for sponsored participants only, RM 003 and RM 001)</i>
13:40 – 14:00	<b>Presentation by the Co-facilitators of Informal Consultations on Engaging Civil Society</b>
14:00 – 14:15	<b>Presentation: Enhancing Geographical Representation in the OPCW Technical Secretariat</b>
14:15 – 14:25	<b>Open plenary: Reflections, actions, and way forward by the OPCW-TS</b>
14:25 – 14:35	<b>Closing remarks by the Deputy Director-General</b>
14:35 – 17:30	<b>Bilateral meetings -with relevant Secretariat staff/other States Parties</b>

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