



CENTRE FOR SECURITY COOPERATION



CROATIAN MINE ACTION CENTRE

Seminar on the implementation of Ottawa Convention, Information Technology (IT) in Mine Action:

**“The recent Demining Processes – National and Regional Approach, new Challenges”**

*Co-organized with  
Croatian Mine Action Centre*

19-22 October 2009, RACVIAC, Rakitje, Stari hrast 53, 10437 Bestovje, Croatia.

The purpose of this seminar is to present some of the IT solutions in mine action community and encourage discussion on how to further advance IT in mine action even more in order to solve the mine problem.

The objectives of the seminar are:

- To provide the participants with information on some of the IT solutions in mine action.
- To improve contacts between representatives of national and international organizations as well as other countries dealing with the mine action.
- To provide the opportunity for talks on about the challenges they face and the way ahead.
- To give a full picture of the latest geographic information systems by presenting some of the latest modern technological achievements in this field.

Time	Event	Location
<b>Monday, 19 October 2009</b>		
18:00 - 19:00	Lecturers Meeting (Preliminary Meeting)	Library
19.00 - 21.30	<b>Welcome Buffet Dinner</b> (Dress: Jacket and Tie)	Club Barbara RACVIAC
<b>Tuesday, 20 October 2009</b>		
09.00 - 09.45	<b>Seminar Opening - Welcome Address</b> <b>Speakers:</b> <i>Subsequently, each seminar participant will have a “thirty-second opportunity” to introduce her / himself to the audience and to highlight personal experiences in Ottawa Convention issues as well as to formulate expectations from the seminar.</i>	Seminar room 310
09.45 - 10.15	Group Photograph, subsequently Coffee Break	
10.15 - 11.00	<b>Topic: Information Systems</b> (mine information systems, geographic information systems) <b>Possible speakers<sup>1</sup>:</b> Croatian Mine Action Centre, GEOFOTO	Seminar room 310
11.00 - 11.10	Break	
11.10 - 11.55	<b>Topic: Information Management</b> <b>Possible speakers:</b> UN/United Nations Mine Action Service, Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining.	Seminar room 310
11:55 – 12:05	Break	

<sup>1</sup> Speakers will be announced at the beginning of the seminar.

12:05 - 12:50	<b>Topic: Database Design (mine victims database, QC database, demining operations database, MRE database)</b>  <b>Possible speakers:</b> Croatian Mine Action Centre, Bosnia& Herzegovina Mine Action Centre	Seminar room 310
12.50 - 14.00	Lunch	Restaurant
14.00 - 14.45	<b>Topic: Database Design (mine victims database, QC database, demining operations database, MRE database)</b>  <b>Possible speakers:</b> Center for Testing, Development and Training CROMAC/CTDT, Serbian Mine Action Center	Seminar room 310
14.45 - 15.15	Coffee Break	
15.15 - 16.00	<b>Topic: Implementation Support (means of support and sources)</b>  <b>Possible speakers:</b> Office of the European Mission to Croatia, Norwegian Embassy.	Seminar room 310
17.00 - 18.00	Dinner	Restaurant

**Wednesday, 21 October 2009**

09.00 - 12.00	<b>Visit to Geofoto Ltd. (Buzinski prilaz 28, Zagreb)</b>	
12.45 - 14.00	Lunch	Restaurant
14.00 - 14.45	<b>RACVIAC Presentation</b>	Seminar room 310
14.45 - 15.15	Coffee Break	
15.15 - 16.00	<b>Topic: Regional Cooperation and Assistance (introducing Information Technology solutions and experiences to other countries with mine problem)</b>  <b>Possible speakers:</b> International Trust Fund for Demining & Victims, Assistance, Regional Center for Underwater Demining, Albanian Mine Action Center in Albania.	Seminar room 310
16.30 - 19.15	<b>Guided Sightseeing tour of Zagreb</b>	
19.30 - 20.30	Dinner	Restaurant

**Thursday, 22 October 2009**

09.00 - 09.45	<b>Topic: MEDIA</b> (The role of media in communication technology support to mine action) <b>AND WWW.</b> ( use of the “world wide web” for cooperation, raising funds, promotion of Ottawa convention etc.)  <b>Possible speaker:</b> Croatian Mine Action Centre	Seminar room 310
09:45 - 10.15	Coffee Break	
10:15-11:00	<b>Topic: Mine Risk Education and Information Technology</b> (MRE activities supported by IT- interactive lectures, materials, networking)  <b>Possible speaker:</b> Croatian Mine Action Centre	Seminar room 310
11:00-11:10	<b>Break</b>	

11.10 - 12.40	<p><b>Elaboration of seminar Conclusions –</b>  <i>All the participants and lecturers are expected to contribute substantially to the seminar conclusions, which will be an essential part of the seminar report to be compiled by the Course Director. The seminar report, indicating the way ahead, will be made available to all participants within a few days after the seminar through the RACVIAC website and shall serve all as a means of communication on the subject matter.</i></p> <p><b>Seminar Closing Ceremony</b></p>	Seminar room 310
12.50 - 14.00	Lunch, subsequently Departure	Restaurant