

Informal, Rolling Indicative Schedule for the 2015 BWC Meeting of States Parties: As of 11 December 2015

	Monday 14 December	Tuesday 15 December	Wednesday 16 December	Thursday 17 December	Friday 18 December
9.00-10.00	<p><i>NAM and Others Group meeting (Room XXIV)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p><i>Western Group meeting (Room XXV)</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Let's talk about compliance – measures, methods, and modalities</i></p> <p>The Hamburg Research Group and the Harvard Sussex Program (Room XXIV)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p><i>Steps Toward Effective Biological Security Education</i> University of Bradford (Room XXV)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p><i>NAM and Others Group meeting (Room XXVI)</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Strengthening the UNSGM: an update</i> Switzerland (Room XXIV)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Assessing the Biothreat, Proceeding Safely</i> The Emerging Leaders in Biosecurity Initiative (Room XXV)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p><i>NAM and Others Group meeting (Room XXVI)</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Lessons Learned and Implications of the Ebola Virus Disease Outbreak for the BWC</i> United States of America (Room XXIV)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Side event by France and India on the Proposal for establishment of a database for assistance in the framework of Article VII</i> France and India (Room XXV)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p><i>NAM and Others Group meeting (Room XXVI)</i></p>	<p><i>NAM and Others Group meeting (Room XXIV)</i></p>
10.00-13.00	<p>Opening Session (Room XVIII)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening formalities • Consideration of the report of the Meeting of Experts • General debate 	<p>Working Session 2 (Room XVIII)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrangements for the Eighth Review Conference and its Preparatory Committee in 2016 	<p>Working Session 4 (Room XVIII)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing agenda item: Review of developments in the field of science and technology related to the Convention 	<p>Working Session 6 (Room XVIII)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biennial item: How to strengthen implementation of Article VII, including consideration of detailed procedures and mechanisms for the provision of assistance and cooperation by States Parties 	<p>Working Session 8 (Room XVIII)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress with universalization of the Convention • Annual report of the Implementation Support Unit • Informal consultations on the report of the meeting
13.00-15.00	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Implementation in Action: Contributions of ASEAN Scientists and Scientific Organizations to the BWC</i></p> <p>Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences and US National Academies of Sciences (Room XXIV)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>National implementation of the BWC: development of a culture of compliance among scientists</i> Canada (Room XXIV)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>1925-2015: The Geneva Protocol at 90</i> UNIDIR and France (Room XXV)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Putting Biosafety and Biosecurity under the Microscope: Elements for an International Approach to Reinforce Capabilities and Address Future Risks</i> UNICRI and The Philippines (Room XXIV)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Trends in Science and Technology that Impact the BWC</i> Royal Society and IAP (Room XXV)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Biosafety and Security: Laboratory Procedures and Personnel Ethics in Developing Countries</i> Green Cross International (Room XXIV)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>BTWC BENELUX Peer Review: Lessons learned & presentation of new initiatives by Germany and the US/Canada – Belgium, Germany, France, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and the United States of America</i> (Room XXV)</p>	
15.00-18.00	<p>Working Session 1 (Room XVIII)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General debate • Informal session for NGO statements 	<p>Working Session 3 (Room XVIII)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing agenda item: Cooperation and assistance, with a particular focus on strengthening cooperation and assistance under Article X 	<p>Working session 5 (Room XVIII)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing agenda item: Strengthening national implementation 	<p>Working Session 7 (Room XVIII)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing agenda items and biennial item 	<p>Closing Session (Room XVIII)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of the report of the meeting • Closing of the meeting
18:00	<p><i>Informal consultations (Room XXIV)</i></p>	<p><i>Exhibition and a film on chemical weapons on the Eastern Front of the First World War</i> Latvia – Poland – Russian Federation</p>	<p><i>Exhibition on Historical use of BW during the WW II: Biological Weapons used by Japan on Chinese Territory</i> People's Republic of China</p>		

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