

Draft Programme (as of 10 February 2009)

ASEM Seminar on New Technologies for Demining and Human Security

First Day 5th March 2009

9.00-9.30 Registration

Morning Session

9.30-10.00 Welcome from Regione Puglia local authorities

10.00-10.15 Opening and Introduction by Min. Enzo Angeloni, Deputy Director General of Asia Department at the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

10.15-10.45 Presentation by H.E. Chum Bun Rong, Secretary General of the Cambodian Mine Action Authority

10.45-11.00 Coffee break

11.00-11.30 Presentation by Mr. Erik Tollefsen, Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD), on Technology in Humanitarian demining

11.30-12.00 Presentation by Mr. Noel Mulliner, UN Mine Action Service (UNMAS), (title of presentation TBC)

12.00-12.45 Open debate

13.00-14.00 Lunch

Afternoon Session

14.30-15.00 Presentation by EU Commission (title of presentation TBC)

15.00-15.30 Presentation by Dr. Emanuela Cepolina, Snail Aid - Technology for Development / IMEC Genova University, on Appropriate technologies in humanitarian demining: potential impact of participatory re-designed agricultural machines and tools.

15.30-16.30 Open debate

19.30-22.00 Social dinner for all delegates

Second Day 6th March 2009

Morning Session

9.30-10.00 Presentation by Franciska Borry, ITEP Secretariat, on The International Test and Evaluation Program for Humanitarian Demining (ITEP) and its role in the deployment of new technologies.

10.00-10.30 Presentation by Mr. Yann Yvinec, from Royal Military Academy of Belgium and President of the working group that developed the CEN Workshop Agreement CWA 14747-2, on Soil properties and performance of metal detectors and ground penetrating radars - CEN Workshop Agreement CWA 14747-2

10.30-11.00 Presentation by Dr. Arnold Schoolderman, TNO Defence, Security and Safety, Netherlands, on the Use of magnets in manual demining operations

11.00-11.15 Coffee break

11.15-11.45 Presentation by Dr. Giuseppe Schiavello, Campagna Italiana contro le Mine on Mine Action and the human value of technical interventions.

11.45-12.15 Presentation by Italian expert Gen. Fernando Termentini on Mine threat: a procedural challenge.

12.15-12.45 Open debate

13.00-14.00 Lunch

Afternoon Session

14.30-16.00 Demonstrations of new technologies by different leading companies in the field of demining.