



Protecting Civilians in Urban Warfare: Towards a political declaration to address the humanitarian harm arising from the use of explosive weapons in populated areas

6 – 8 April, 2022

Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland

Information for Participants

DATE AND VENUE

1. A round of consultations on the draft Political Declaration to address the humanitarian harm arising from the use of explosive weapons in populated areas (EWIPA) is scheduled to take place on 6, 7 and 8 April 2022, in **Conference Room XVIII** at the Palais des Nations ([map](#)), Geneva, Switzerland.
2. The consultations are scheduled to be held in person, **daily from 10AM to 1PM and from 3PM to 6PM.**
3. The consultations will be **livestreamed** and can be accessed through either of the following two links:
 - a. [Livestream - Department of Foreign Affairs \(dfa.ie\)](#)
 - b. [IrishForeignMinistry - YouTube](#)
4. Simultaneous interpretation into the six official UN languages will be provided in the main conference room, but the livestream will only be available in English.

REGISTRATION

1. All participants who will be physically present at the Palais des Nations for the meeting, including those who already have the UN grounds pass, are required to register on the [EWIPA Consultations page on Indico \(available at <https://indico.un.org/event/1000854/>\)](#), in line with UNOG's COVID-19 tracing measures.
 - a. A detailed [user guide](#) on the Indico registration is available for reference. For technical questions, such as the non-receipt of confirmation of the account creation or non-receipt of the QR code, please contact directly support.accreditation@un.org or aaron.laine@dfa.ie



- b. Participants who already have an Indico account can register directly for the meeting after logging in.
 - c. Participants who do not yet have an Indico account, need to **first create a new account**. An automated message confirming the account creation will be sent to the registrant by the system.
 - d. Once the account is created, the participant needs to register for the Consultations in a second step.
 - e. Once your application has been approved, you will receive a UN Event Pass via e-mail. Security badges can be collected (with a valid photo ID) from the Pass and Identification Unit at the Pregny Gate of the Palais des Nations. Participants are advised to come to the Pregny Gate well in advance to allow enough time for security checks. Only participants approved for in-person participation will receive a UN Event Pass.
2. Those who wish to follow the proceedings through one of the livestream links provided above, need not register. Please note, these livestream links provide for the opportunity to follow the consultations but do not allow for participation.

COVID-19 MEASURES

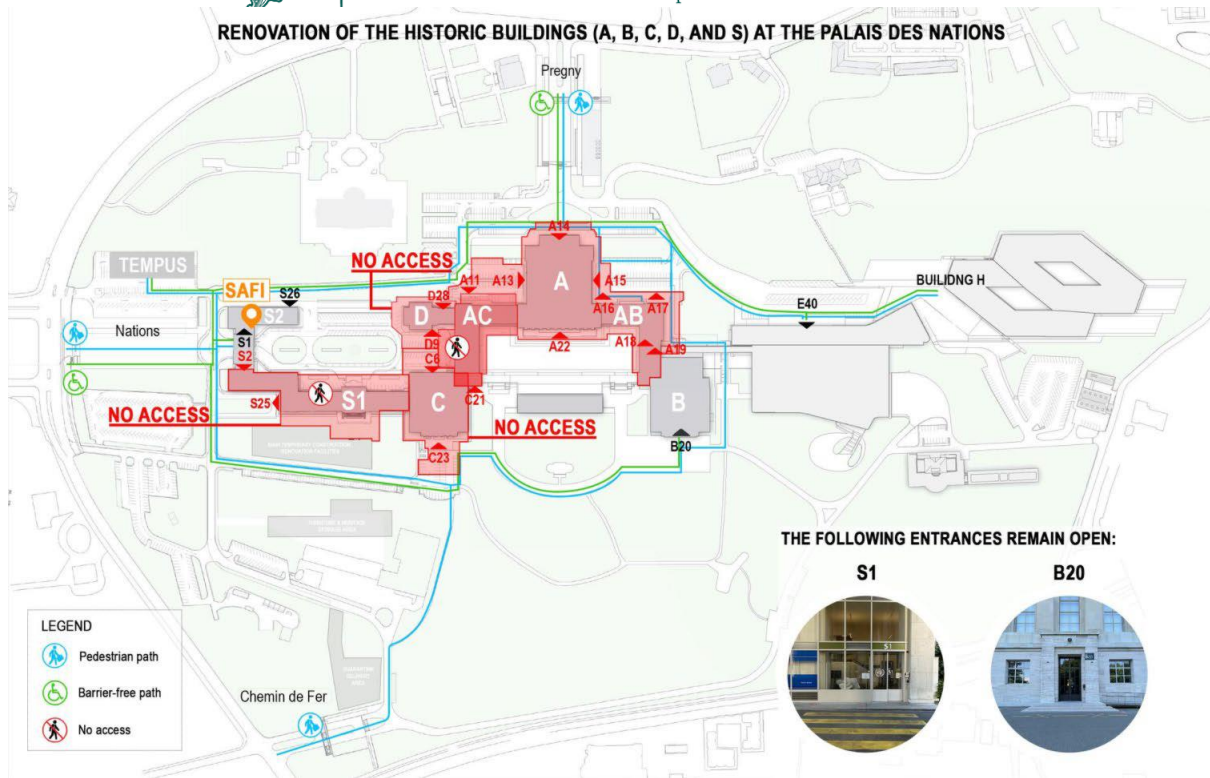
1. Participants are encouraged to read carefully information on the UNOG response to COVID-19, available at <https://www.ungeneva.org/en/covid-19>
2. Limits on numbers of participants in UNOG Conference Rooms are set to be lifted on April 4th, allowing for all seats to be used during the Consultations.
3. Inside the conference rooms, the requirement to wear masks at all times – except when taking the floor to speak – is retained, as is the prohibition of the consumption of food and drinks.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

1. The Palais des Nations is currently undergoing major renovations under the Strategic Heritage Plan and much of the building is therefore currently inaccessible. The map below shows the sections of the Palais which are closed and also shows the temporary routes to access the E Building from the Nations and Pregny gates. More information is available at <https://www.ungeneva.org/en/about/map/circulation>



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- Additional practical information covering access for people with disabilities, public transport, parking and taxis is available at <https://www.ungeneva.org/en/practical-information/delegates>

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