



## International Security Forum

# Explosive Remnants of War, Human Security and Development

9:00 - 10:30, Tuesday 19 May 2009

### Agenda

Landmines, explosive remnants of war (ERW), and small arms and light weapons (SALW) are all tools of armed violence that negatively affect lives and livelihoods after conflict.

Mine action (i.e. demining, victim assistance, mine risk education and stockpile destruction) can make an effective contribution to programmes focused on armed violence reduction, peace-building, security system reform, and the disarmament, demobilisation and reintegration (DDR) of former combatants.

The panelists will discuss the experiences of mine action organisations in dealing with the legacy of ERW as part of efforts to strengthen human security and promote reconstruction and development. Coming from both the field and headquarters operations, the panelists will offer different perspectives on the challenges facing mine action as a tool for promoting human security and development.

### Moderator

#### **Barbara Haering**

President, Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining

### Panelists

- > **Dr. Mohammad Haider Reza (Mine Action Coordination Center for Afghanistan)**, *The legacy of ERW in Afghanistan and broader human security and development challenges*
- > **Steve Priestly (Mines Advisory Group)**, *From Humanitarian Mine Action to Human Security*
- > **Don MacDonald, (Danish Demining Group)**, *Community Safety: Promoting armed violence reduction and facilitating development*