

# Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining

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#### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **GICHD Innovation Conference 2025**

28-30 October 2025 | LuxExpo The Box, Luxembourg-Kirchberg

The Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) will host the Innovation Conference 2025, a flagship international forum showcasing how innovation can accelerate progress in humanitarian mine action.

## What

- 3-day international conference convening 400+ experts, policymakers, and innovators to discuss pressing issues and new solutions in humanitarian mine action
- TED-style talks on startup innovation and artificial intelligence
- Exhibition of cutting-edge technologies and new ways of working
- Speed pitches and participatory workshops designed to generate fresh solutions
- The GICHD Innovation Award the first-ever award celebrating innovation in mine action
- Participation from the Governments of Switzerland and Luxembourg,

More information and the full conference programme are available on the conference webpage.

## Why

With conflicts and contamination levels at their highest since the Second World War, innovation in mine action is more urgent than ever. Nearly 70 countries — one third of the world — remain affected by landmines, cluster munitions, and other explosive ordnance.

The GICHD Innovation Conference brings together actors who rarely meet — from humanitarian demining organizations and governments to startups, investors, and researchers — to identify practical, scalable solutions that save lives and restore land to communities.

## **Interviews**

Members of the press are invited to attend the conference for interviews and photo opportunities. Journalists are requested to register by sending an email to <a href="mailto:t.kloos@gichd.org">t.kloos@gichd.org</a>

Interviews in Switzerland or by phone can also be coordinated by contacting Laura Collier at <a href="mailto:l.collier@gichd.org">l.collier@gichd.org</a>

## Media contact

For questions about the conferences or interview requests please contact Laura Collier

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