# Register for the 2021 international Chemical Weapons Demilitarisation conference



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- Runs from 2 to 4 November 2021
- Fully virtual event
- Hear from international experts
- Opportunities to network and work collaboratively

Registration closes on 29 October

After careful consideration, we have decided to hold CWD 2021 virtually on 2 to 4 November 2021 from 12 noon to 2.30pm GMT daily.

# About the conference

The 23rd CWD Conference is organised by Dstl, the science inside UK defence and security, on behalf of the Ministry of Defence. It's a unique opportunity to hear from international experts and to work collaboratively to help achieve a future free from chemical weapons.

The organisers took the unavoidable decision to cancel CWD 2020 due to the worldwide coronavirus pandemic and had hoped to hold CWD 2021 as an in-person conference. However, the emergence of the Delta COVID-19 variant in the UK, along with restrictions on international travel, has resulted in increased uncertainty around holding a major in-person event with an international audience. CWD 2021 will be held virtually, with the intention of returning to physical conferences from CWD 2022, next May.

Our virtual conference programme takes into account the changing demilitarisation landscape, including new threats, technical challenges and the approaching completion of destruction of declared chemical weapons stockpiles.

Its scope will include wider science and technology issues related to the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC), including chemical analysis and forensics.

Sessions will be held from 12 to 2.30pm GMT on 2, 3 and 4 November 2021 and all presentations can be accessed on demand on our virtual platform during, and after, the conference.

# **Key dates**

• Registration closes on 29 October 2021

During the 3 days of presentations, there will be ample opportunity for discussion and networking. The conference is open to anyone with a relevant interest in CWD, and is attended by representatives of governments, industry, academia and the armed forces.

## Why attend CWD 2021

Our conference supports the global effort to eliminate chemical weapons and fosters co-operation through the exchange of information and ideas relating to safe disposal. CWD is the primary international forum for making valuable professional contacts in this field.

- Participate in this unique forum for our community
- Exchange knowledge and expertise
- Network with others in the field
- Meet international experts
- Collaborate with your peers
- Learn about innovative and exciting new solutions
- Share your technical challenges
- Discover and offer fresh thinking, new ideas, different approaches
- Contribute to a future free of chemical weapons

## Register

<u>Register now</u> to join us in demonstrating our shared commitment to eliminating this class of weapons of mass destruction, and discover ways we can overcome the challenges associated with their elimination.

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1. 4 October 2021

Updated conference information

2. 19 August 2021

CWD 2021 is now to be held in November as a virtual event, with an early bird discount for registrations before 10 September 2021.

#### 3. 2 March 2021

The conference has been rescheduled to September 2021 and the deadlines for abstract submission and registration have been extended.

#### 4. 21 December 2020

Updated conference information

### 5. 16 November 2020

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