SIDE EVENT INVITATION
Tuesday 6 September – 13.00-14.00
Room XXV

‘Worldwide Investments in Cluster Munitions; a shared responsibility’

Side event by PAX (the Netherlands) and the Cluster Munition Coalition (CMC)

This side event provides an update on the Stop Explosive Investments campaign and presents the findings of the 2016 update of ‘Worldwide investments in cluster munitions; a shared responsibility’ by PAX.

Article 1(1)c of the Convention on Cluster Munitions prohibits assistance in the production of cluster munitions. In 2009, the Cluster Munition Coalition (CMC) launched the Stop Explosive Investments campaign with the aim to curtail the flow of funds to companies that produce these horrific weapons.

A growing number of states consider investments to be prohibited under the convention and to date 10 countries have adopted legislation to prohibit investments in cluster munitions.

The report ‘Worldwide Investments in Cluster Munitions; a shared responsibility’ includes information about which financial institutions are investing in cluster munitions producers, as well as examples of states and financial institutions that prohibit investments in cluster munitions producers.

Chair: Mr. Jeff Abramson (Landmine and Cluster Munition Monitor)

Speakers:

Ms. Megan Burke (Cluster Munition Coalition): will speak about the international Stop Explosive Investments campaign.

Ms. Suzanne Oosterwijk (PAX, the Netherlands): will present the 2016 PAX report findings on worldwide investments in cluster munitions producers as well as examples of states and financial institutions that ban investments in cluster munitions producers.

Ms. Erin Hunt (Mines Action Canada): will speak about the national disinvestment campaign in Canada and recent developments.

Mr. Maarten Broekhof (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands): will speak about the Dutch prohibition on direct and demonstrable investments in cluster munitions producers.

** Lunch will be provided **