

**Day 1 - Thursday, 23 April**

<b>Registration</b>	<b>8h30-9h00</b>
Welcome and introduction	9h00-9h10
<b>Session 1 - Historical aspects of chemical warfare (1)</b>	<b>9h10-10h20</b>
Moderator Chemical warfare: Legal fictions and deadly realities	Maj D. Warnier
The evolution and limits of chemical weapons law, 1899 – Today	N. Larsson
Gas warfare experience in the Belgian Armed Forces in the Great War	LtKol T. Simoens
The involvement and the role of the French military engineering branch in the fight to gas and the ambient air control	LtKol A. Piernas
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>10h20-10h45</b>
<b>Session 1 - Historical aspects of chemical warfare (2)</b>	<b>10h50-11h50</b>
An Ancient Weapon for Modern Warfare 1939-1940 : Chemical Warfare and the Western Front	K. Gony & M. Duran Kol. O. Lion
The high-risk enterprise of moving chemical warfare agents from Antwerp to the South of France in May 1940	W. Van Opstal & R. Acke
<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>12h00-13h00</b>
<b>Session 1 - Historical aspects of chemical warfare (3)</b>	<b>13h00-14h00</b>
Unconventional Weapons for an Unconventional War: Chemical Research at SOE Station IX and Czechoslovak Contributions	Dr. M. Posch
Syria's Chemical Weapons Program: Strategic Origins, International Responses, and Insights from the Declaration Assessment Process	F. De Craemer
Q&A	
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>14h00-14h20</b>
<b>Session 2 - Gas and collections</b>	<b>14h20-16h00</b>
Moderator	To be determined
From mining to the trenches: gas masks in unbreathable atmospheres (1910s-1920s) <i>A war of the senses. Perception and transcription of the use of combat gases in First World War pictorial works and veteran narratives</i>	C. A. Wanecq S. Smets
Warfare in the museum: how museum objects related to gas are conserved in the War Heritage Institute	Z.-J. Vanganswinkel
Q&A	

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**Day 2 - Friday 24 April**

<b>Registration</b>	<b>8h30-9h00</b>
Welcome and introduction	9h00-9h10
<b>Session 3 - Technical aspects of chemical warfare (1)</b>	<b>9h10-10h00</b>
Moderator	LtKol B. Simoens
TeChBioT: Advancing Field Detection of Low-Volatility CWAs and Biological Threats	Dr. L. F. Velasco
Revealing the Invisible: Detecting Chemical Warfare Agents Through Hyperspectral Imaging	LtKol R. Haelterman
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>10h00-10h25</b>
<b>Session 3 - Technical aspects of chemical warfare (2)</b>	<b>10h30-12h00</b>
OCW discovered in dismantled World War I ammunition in Belgium and the evolution of toxic munitions during the war	S. Volckaert & W. Verhaeghe
CBRNe MUG	Adj. E. Marnef
The Paardenmarkt, a remainder of the First World War on the Belgian coast	Dr. P. Francois
Q & A	
<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>12h00-13h00</b>
<b>Part 4 - nonmaterial aspects of chemical warfare</b>	<b>13h00-14h50</b>
Moderator	To be determined
Compellence at the End of War: Chemical Weapons & Strategic Psychology of Collapse	W. Kowalski
Chemical warfare as a strategic use of norm transgression	Dr. A. van der Meer
Colin Powell's legacy at the United Nations Security Council and the use of gas in Syria	Col BEM E. Kalajzic
Russia's CBRN Modernisation and the Battlefield Use of Chemical Agents in Ukraine (2014–2025)	Dr. J. Van Bladel
Q&A	
<b>Closing arguments</b>	<b>14h50-15h00</b>
<b>Reception and networking moment</b>	<b>15h00-16h00</b>

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