



WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY AUDIT

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Introduction:

The Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention Implementation Support Unit (ISU) seeks an individual or company to audit the Convention's website (www.apminebanconvention.org) with a view to delivering recommendations on how an overhauled version of the website would be generally on par with international web accessibility standards.

Deliverable:

An individual or company contracted to carry out the audit will deliver, by 30 September, a written report that contains the following:

- A summary of international web accessibility standards,
- An evaluation of how the Convention's website complies / fails to comply with international web accessibility standards, taking into account a broad range of users,
- Recommendations that the ISU may wish to take into account in overhauling the Convention's website to ensure that it can be as accessible / barrier-free as possible.

Procedure:

Those interested in offering their services to the Implementation Support Unit to deliver what is being requested should send an expression of interest to w.mcdermott@apminebanconvention.org by 15 September outlining the following:

- The individual or company's qualifications to carry out the audit,
- The individual or company's proposed approach to carrying out the audit,
- The individual or company's cost for carrying out the audit and delivering the report.

Note that should the ISU proceed in contracting an individual who is a self-employed worker registered in Switzerland, or in a country of the European Union or the EFTA, the individual in question will be asked to provide documentation that demonstrates her or his self-employed worker status.

Background:

The ISU is the secretariat to the 1997 Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction. The ISU is mandated to support the States Parties to the Convention, in particular by doing the following:

- Supporting the Convention's implementation machinery and office holders,
- Providing advice and technical support to individual States Parties on the implementation and universalization of the Convention,

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- Communicating and providing information about the Convention,
- Keeping records of formal and informal meetings under the Convention, and
- Liaising and coordinating with relevant international organisations that participate in the work of the Convention.

In the fulfilment of aspects of this mandate, the ISU maintains the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention's website as a tool for communication, disseminating information to a variety of audiences, and as an information portal. As part of the ISU's commitment to accessibility for all, the ISU aims to see that the Convention's website can be as accessible / barrier-free as possible.

The effort to audit the Convention's website from the point of view of accessibility is being funded by the European Union through a 2012 EU Council Decision in support of the Convention, which the ISU is implementing.