



Fifth Plenary Meeting of the Montreux Document Forum

Geneva, 2 September 2019

Palais des Nations, Room IX

Session 1: Open to all States, international organisations, civil society, and invited industry representatives

14.00-14:15 **1. Welcome and introduction by the Co-Chairs of the MDF**

Ambassador Nathalie Marti, Directorate of International Law, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland

Dr. Cordula Droege, Chief Legal Officer, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

14:15-14:45 **2. Keynote speech: Contemporary Use of PMSCs in Armed Conflicts – Market for Force, Trends, and Conflict Dynamics**

Dr. Ulrich Petersohn, Senior Lecturer and Associate Professor in International Politics, University of Liverpool, Department of Politics

14:45–16:10 **3. The Regulation of Private Military and Security Companies in** the Maritime Context: Challenges and Good Practices

- Replacing public security by private security? The impact and sustainability of the use of PMSCs in the maritime sector Jon Huggins, Consultant for international agencies, governments, and industry
- The interaction between shipmaster, crew and private security guards on board: A practical point of view *Mark Gray, Managing Director, MNG Maritime Ltd*

16:10-16:30 Coffee Break

Session 2: open to all MD participating States and international organisations only

16:30-16:50 4. Report of the Chairs of the Working Groups

- Working group on the International Code of Conduct Association United States of America
- Working Group on the use of private military and security companies in maritime security *Portugal*

16:50-17:40 5. Discussion of Next Steps / Yearly Planning

- Follow-up to 2018/2019 MDF regional outreach (OAS, CARICOM, and SICA)
- Possible MDF regional meeting in 2020
- Ensuring sustainability of the MDF and strengthening implementation support
- Election of Chairs of the Working Groups

17:40-17:55 6. Any Other Business

- Exploring synergies between the Montreux Document and other intergovernmental processes on the regulation of PMSCs
- 17:55-18:00 **7. Conclusions**