



**OPCW**

Organisation for the Prohibition  
of Chemical Weapons

**ASSER**  
INSTITUTE

*Centre for International & European Law*



**Annual OPCW – Asser Training Programme**  
**on Disarmament and Non-Proliferation of Weapons of Mass**  
**Destruction**

The Hague, The Netherlands

Dates: 26 – 30 October 2026

**Day 1 – International Arms Control Law; Non-Proliferation**

Monday, 26 October

09:30 – 10:00	<i>Registration</i>
10:00 – 10:45	<b>Opening and Round of Introductions</b> <b>Keynote Address</b>
10:45 – 11:00	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
11:00 – 12:30	<b>International Arms Control Law</b>
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30 – 15:00	<b>The Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Treaties</b>
15:00 – 15:30	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
15:30 – 17:00	<b>The Future of Nuclear Arms Control and Strategic Stability</b>
18:30	<i>Opening Dinner – TBD</i>

**Day 2 – Nuclear Weapons; Field Visit**

Tuesday, 27 October

09:00–10:30	<b>Nuclear Safeguards</b>
10:30 – 10:45	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>

10:45 – 12:00	<b>Banning the tests: the International Legal Regime for Nuclear Testing</b>
12:00 – 12:45	<i>Lunch</i>
12:45 – 13:15	<i>Transport to the Technical University (TU) Delft Nuclear Research Reactor</i>
13:15 – 17:00	<b>Field Visit: TU-Delft Nuclear Research Reactor</b>
17:00 – 17:30	<i>Transport from TU-Delft Nuclear Research Reactor to the Asser Institute</i>

### **Day 3 – Weapons Governance and Emerging Technologies**

Wednesday, 28 October

09:00 – 10:30	<b>Export Control Regimes</b>
10:30 – 10:45	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
10:45 – 11:45	<b>Simulation Exercise on Export Controls Regimes</b>
11:45 – 12:45	<i>Lunch</i>
12:45 – 14:15	<b>Weapons of Mass Destruction and Emerging Technologies</b>
14:15 – 14:30	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
14:30 – 16:00	<b>The Biological Weapons Convention</b>
16:00 – 16:30	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
16:30 – 18:00	<b>Weapons governance, AI, and Emerging Technologies</b> Speaker TBD

### **Day 4 - Chemical Weapons; Field Visit**

Thursday, 29 October

09:00 – 09:30	<i>Walk from Asser Institute to OPCW</i>
09:30 – 10:30	<b>OPCW and the Chemical Weapons Convention</b>
10:30 – 11:30	<b>Chemical Weapons Demilitarisation: Achievements and Challenges</b>
11:30 – 11:45	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
11:45 – 12:45	<b>National Implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention: Challenges and Opportunities</b>
12:45 – 14:00	<b>Scientific and Technological Developments: Biological and Chemical Disarmament in a Technologically Evolving World</b>
14:00 – 14:45	<i>Travel to the OPCW Centre for Chemistry and Technology (ChemTech)</i>
14:45 – 17:00	<b>Guided Tour of the ChemTech Centre</b>
17:00 – 17:30	<i>Travel from the ChemTech Centre to the Asser Institute</i>

## Day 5 - Current Challenges

Friday, 30 October

09:00 – 09:45	<b>Conventional Weapons and Emerging Technologies</b>
09:45 – 10:00	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
10:00 – 11.30	<b>Non-Proliferation Case Study: The DPRK Nuclear Issue</b>
11:30 – 12:00	<i>Coffee/Tea Break</i>
12:00 – 13:30	<b>WMD Threats and Risks in the Middle East</b>
13:30 – 14:00	<i>Programme Evaluation</i>
14:00 – 15:00	<i>Lunch</i>
15:00 – 16:00	<b>Public Panel Discussion: Topic TBD</b>
16:00 – 17:00	<b>Closing Reception</b>