

UNIDIR All-Day Event

## Nuclear Weapon Risks Symposium

Monday, 10 April 2017

10h15 – 17h30

Room XVI, Palais des Nations, United Nations Office at Geneva

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Risks surrounding nuclear weapons have gained increasing attention in the international community in recent years. States and experts have expressed concern about the risk of possible detonation resulting from accidents or even deliberate use.

But what does risk mean in the context of nuclear weapons? What are the different scenarios that could result in a nuclear weapon detonation event (intentional or otherwise)? And how can the international community more accurately gauge the underlying risk causes – including technological, military, and political?

For the last nine months, UNIDIR has carried out a project aimed to extend policy understanding of nuclear risk through focused research and engagement, both to detail the risk ‘picture’ and to communicate these findings to the disarmament community. A risk focus might be one in which a wide range of actors – including both nuclear-armed states and non-nuclear-armed states – find common ground on nuclear weapons-related issues.

This event presents the major findings of the project, which will also include a UNIDIR publication available in late April 2017.

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### Keynote Speaker



### Yves Daccord

Director-General, International Committee of the Red Cross

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