



Chemical Biological Medical Treatment Symposium CBMTS VII

13 - 18 April 2008

SPIEZ LABORATORY, Switzerland



Between 13 and 18 April 2008, the international Chemical and Biological Medical Treatment Symposium (CBMTS VII) will be held at the NBC Centre in Spiez. For the seventh time, an international gathering of leading experts will explore scientific aspects of chemical, biological and radiological (CBR) warfare. This year the conference will also focus on subjects like detection and decontamination, international crisis management, dual-use goods in the production of critical agents as well as recent developments in the emerging fields of bio security and nanotechnology. Furthermore, the CBMTS will continue with its discussions on the topic of CBR terrorism and anti-terrorism matters, and it will consider accidents and incidents across the CBR spectrum. These problems include medical treatment required for CBR

agents, industrial poisonings and emergency management issues from across the response spectrum. The symposium will also include non-proliferation matters concerning NBC weapons and challenges regarding epidemics.

The symposium will take place at the original CBMTS home in Spiez, where the series started back in 1994. Once again it is hosted by SPIEZ LABORATORY, a section of the Swiss Federal Office for Civil Protection, together with Applied Science & Analysis, Inc. (ASA), USA. The Government of Switzerland and the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) are sponsoring the event. Dr. Gianpiero Lupi, Surgeon General of the Swiss Armed Forces, will attend the opening ceremony. The opening lecture will be held by Dr. Brian Davey, Medical Director at the UN.

Approximately 130 leading professionals from approx. 35 countries will attend the CBMTS VII. The congress language will be English. The event will involve five intensive work-days with lectures, poster presentations and discussions, but participants will also be able to informally exchange experiences and personal thoughts. Included in the programme is a group-excursion to a tourist destination, as well as a festive Symposium Dinner.

As co-event organiser and host of the CBMTS series, SPIEZ LABORATORY is once again proud to be able to make a contribution to international cooperation and disarmament efforts.

CBMTS VII at a glance

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