



**Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention
Intersessional Meeting
Geneva, 17-20 June 2025
EU key messages on Universalisation**

Madam President,

- The EU expresses its sincere appreciation to you, President, and to your whole team for your leadership in steering the work of the Convention.
- We appreciate the efforts towards Convention's universalisation, including those led by Japan's Presidency, previous presidencies – Cambodia and Germany, the ISU, and the Convention's Special Envoys, His Royal Highness Prince Mired Raad Al-Hussein of Jordan, and Her Royal Highness Princess Astrid of Belgium.
- The EU welcomes ratification of the Treaty by Marshall Islands and the encouraging update just presented by Tonga on its efforts to accede to the Convention.
- On 14 April 2025, the EU adopted Council Decision 2025/781 allocating EUR 2.7 million in support of the Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan 2025-2029 for the implementation of the APMBC. The EU is currently considering further actions in support of State Parties' implementation of their commitments under the APMBC.