Though you can provide external access to Cisco Unified MeetingPlace web conferences by simply opening ports in your firewall, we do not recommend this option because it lacks security. Alternately, Cisco Unified MeetingPlace Web Conferencing supports a segmented meeting access configuration that allow you to provide external access to your users while maintaining network security.

See the following sections:

- About Firewalls
- How to Configure Secure Sockets Layer
- About Segmented Meeting Access for Web Conferencing
- How to Configure the SMA-2S Deployment