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Subject: Consultative Meeting of Policy-Decision Makers on the Establishment of a National Strategy for Education and Training in Radiation, Transport and Waste Safety, Vienna, Austria, from 16 to 17 December 2015

Dear National Liaison Officer,

I am pleased to invite you to send nominations of suitable candidates to participate in the above-mentioned meeting under the framework of TC Project RER/9/109 – Strengthening Education and Training Infrastructure, and Building Competence in Radiation Safety. The purpose of the meeting and related information are outlined in the attached Prospectus.

For candidates who are selected by the IAEA, the IAEA will cover the cost of return international travel from the home country to Vienna, Austria and provide Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) for the duration of the meeting in line with IAEA rules and procedures.

Please submit nominations to the IAEA online through the Technical Cooperation Department's InTouch system (<http://intouch.iaea.org>). Only if this is not possible, nominations may be submitted on the Nomination Form for Meeting/Workshop available on the IAEA website: <http://www.iaea.org/technicalcooperation/How-to-take-part/In-meetings-WS/index.html>. Completed forms should be endorsed by relevant national authorities and sent to the Programme Management Officer for this project, Ms Mayumi Yamamoto (IAEA Official Fax: +43-1-26007 or E-Mail Official.Mail@iaea.org), through the official channels, i.e. the designated National Liaison Office for IAEA matters, not later than 18 September 2015.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Krause

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Enclosures: Prospectus

International Atomic Energy Agency

Consultative Meeting of Policy-Decision Makers on the establishment of a National Strategy for Education and Training in Radiation, Transport and Waste Safety

PROSPECTUS

Project Number & Title:	RAF/9/048; RAS/9/066; RER/9/109 - Strengthening Education and Training Infrastructures and Building Competence in Radiation Safety. RLA/9/075 - Strengthening National Infrastructure for End-Users to Comply with Regulations and Radiological Protection Requirements.
Place (City, Country):	Vienna, Austria
Dates:	16 - 17 December 2015
Deadline for Nominations:	18 September 2015
Organizers:	The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
Host Country Organizer:	Mr Andrea Luciani International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Wagramerstrasse 5, PO Box 100, 1400 Vienna, Austria, IAEA Official Fax (+43-1-26007) E-Mail (Official.Mail@iaea.org)
Language:	English (interpretation provided in Arabic, French, Russian, Spanish)
Purpose:	The purpose of the meeting is to follow up with <i>policy-decision makers</i> on the initiatives taken by Member States to establish a National Strategy for Education and Training in Radiation, Transport and Waste Safety, in order to build sustainable infrastructures and capabilities, in accordance with the IAEA Strategic Approach ¹ and as encouraged by the IAEA General Conference ² .
Expected Output(s):	1) Commitment of participating Member States on the development of a National Strategy for Education and Training in Radiation, Transport and Waste Safety. 2) Experience shared among Member States on initiatives taken, challenges, faced and solutions rendered to establish the national strategy. 3) Awareness raised on the need of: addressing sustainability when building competence in radiation protection and safety; optimizing national resources complementary to IAEA's assistance; planning human resource development on basis of the actual training needs.
Scope and Nature:	The meeting will be organized in plenary sessions. Experts will provide presentations on the IAEA requirements and policy documents addressing the need for establishing policies and strategies in radiation safety, particularly for building competence.

¹ 2010/Note 44

² GC(58)/RES/10, para 93; GC(57)/RES/9, para 90; GC(56)/RES/9, para 65; GC(55)/RES/9, para 67; GC(54)/RES/7, para 55; GC(53)/RES/10, para 67;

Representatives from Member States that made relevant achievements towards the establishment of a National Strategy for Education and Training in Radiation, Transport and Waste Safety will share their experience and provide overviews of the challenges and solutions.

Background Information:

According to the IAEA “Strategic Approach to Education and Training in radiation, transport and waste safety (2011-2020)” (note 44 to the Board, September 2010) Member States are expected to establish sustainable education and training infrastructures to achieve the desired level of competence. The sustainability will be ensured through the development and implementation of national strategies to strengthen education and training in radiation, transport and waste safety, considering the needs at national level and optimizing the available resources across all the Member States.

During 2012-2014, 20 meetings were held in Arabic, English, French, Russian and Spanish under the projects RAF/9/048; RAS/9/066; RER/9/109, RLA/9/070 and RLA/9/075 to support Member States to establish a national strategy for education and training in radiation, transport and waste safety. One of the main findings of these meetings was that strong support and clear commitment of national policy-makers and relevant authorities is required for an effective establishment of a national strategy.

Participation:

The meeting is open to 25 participants from each Member State participating in the projects RAF/9/048, RAS/9/066, RER/9/109, and RLA/9/075.

Participants’ Qualifications:

The meeting is primarily intended for heads of regulatory bodies and/or senior officials of governmental authorities who have a lead role in establishing a national strategy for education and training in radiation, transport and waste safety.

Nomination Procedure:

Nominations for Meeting/Workshop should be submitted to the IAEA online through the Technical Cooperation Department’s InTouch system (<http://intouch.iaea.org>). Should this not be possible, nominations may be submitted on the standard IAEA Nomination Form for Meeting/Workshop and National Consultant (available on the IAEA website: <http://www.iaea.org/>). Completed forms should be endorsed by relevant national authorities and returned to the Agency through the official channels, i.e. the designated National Liaison Office for IAEA Matters.

The completed nomination forms should be sent to the Programme Management Officer:

- Mr Mickel Edwerd, for the project RAF/9/048
- Mr Gashaw Gebeyehu Wolde, for the project RAS/9/066
- Ms Mayumi Yamamoto, for the project RER/9/109
- Ms Geraldine A. Arias, for the project RLA/9/075

through IAEA Official Fax (+43-1-26007) or E-Mail (Official.Mail@iaea.org), not later than **18 September 2015**. Nominations received after this date or which have not been routed through the established official channels cannot be considered.

Administrative and Financial Arrangements:

Nominating Governments will be informed in due course of the names of the candidates who have been selected and will, at that time, be given full details of the procedures to be followed with regard to administrative and financial matters.

Selected participants from countries eligible to receive technical assistance will be provided with a round trip economy class air ticket from their home countries to

Vienna, Austria, and a Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) at the prevailing UN Rate. Shipment of accumulated meeting materials to the participants' home countries is not the responsibility of the IAEA.

The organizers of the meeting do not accept liability for the payment of any cost or compensation that may arise from damage to or loss of personal property, or from illness, injury, disability or death of a participant while he/she is travelling to and from or attending the meeting, and it is clearly understood that each Government, in nominating participants, undertakes responsibility for such coverage. Governments would be well advised to take out insurance against these risks.