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Subject: Invitation to an Inter-Regional Workshop on Model Regulations for Decommissioning from 16–20 January 2017, IAEA-Headquarters, Vienna, Austria

Dear National Liaison Officer,

I am pleased to invite you to send nominations of suitable candidates to participate in the above-mentioned workshop under the framework of TC Project INT/9/183 – Overcoming the Barriers to Implementation of Decommissioning and Environmental Remediation Projects. The purpose of the workshop 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 workshop 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, Mr Andrejs Salmins (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 **15 September 2016**.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosures: Prospectus



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INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

Technical Cooperation Department

Inter-Regional Workshop on Model Regulations for Decommissioning

PROSPECTUS

Project Number & Title: INT9183 “Overcoming the Barriers to Implementation of Decommissioning and Environmental Remediation Projects”

Place (City, Country): Vienna, Austria

Dates: 16-20 January 2017

Deadline for Nominations: **15 September 2016**

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Language: English

Purpose: The purpose of the workshop is to present model regulations for decommissioning, developed by the IAEA to support Member States in establishing regulatory framework for decommissioning of facilities. The Model Regulations are based on the IAEA Safety Standards on decommissioning. Other relevant Safety Standards, such as Safety Standards on radiation protections, environmental protection, and management of radioactive waste, have been considered as well during development of the Model Regulations. The Model Regulations also take into account regulatory requirements stemming from other national or regional legislation (i.e. European Union), as they may have to be considered by some Member States.

The workshop will provide an opportunity to the participants to work on drafting decommissioning regulations for their countries or on improving existing regulations, with support from international experts.

Expected Output(s): The workshop will contribute to enhancing competences for development of national enforcing regulations on decommissioning in the Member States. It will provide for opportunity to develop draft regulations during the workshop, to compare regulatory framework in different Member States and to improve cooperation between individuals and organizations involved in development of regulations and in regulating decommissioning activities.

Scope and Nature:

The workshop will consist of three main parts:

1. Presentations by international experts related to the standard content of decommissioning regulations and to the process of development of regulations on decommissioning, in line with relevant IAEA Safety Standards and, to the extent necessary, with other national or regional requirements;
2. Individual or group work of participants on drafting national regulations for decommissioning or on revising existing regulations;
3. Review and discussion sessions to evaluate the results of the individual/group work.

The model regulations, which will be presented during the workshop, cover all aspects of the decommissioning process, including:

- Responsibilities for decommissioning;
- National policy and strategy;
- Initial planning for decommissioning;
- Financial mechanisms;
- Final planning and licensing of decommissioning;
- Implementation of decommissioning, including management of decommissioning waste
- Protection of workers, public and environment;
- Release of materials and sites from regulatory control;
- Use of graded approach in planning and implementing decommissioning of facilities;
- Completion of decommissioning and termination of the authorization for decommissioning;
- Implementation of institutional controls in case of restricted release.

With regard to the part 3 of the workshop related to drafting of regulations, participants are expected to have available necessary background and supporting material, such as applicable legislation, draft regulations prepared in advance and national procedures for putting regulations into force. It is desirable that this material is available in English language. Participants are expected to bring their own laptops to the workshop.

Background Information:

The project INT9183 is aimed in strengthened Member States frameworks for implementation of decommissioning and environmental remediation programmes, addressing the following key elements: legal and regulatory framework; financial mechanisms; waste management infrastructure; access to relevant technologies; arrangements for public involvement in decision making. This particular workshop will cover the regulatory framework needed to be in place for successful planning and implementation of decommissioning of facilities.

Target countries:

The workshop is open to candidates from: Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, China, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Republic of Korea, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Libya, Lithuania, Malawi, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Tajikistan, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam and Zambia.

Number of participants is limited to 30. Each Member State is encouraged to nominate up to two candidates, one of them with background in legal matters, and one with background in technical sciences.

Participants' Qualifications:

Nominated candidates should be professionals with technical or legal background, working in national regulatory authorities for nuclear or radiation safety. They should be involved in and should have responsibilities for development of regulations or regulatory oversight of activities such as operation of facilities, management of radioactive waste, public and environmental protection and decommissioning of facilities. Candidates should be involved in daily regulatory activities, including authorization, inspection and enforcement, review and assessment, and preparation of regulations and regulatory guidance. Priority will be given to candidates directly involved (or expected to be involved) in development of decommissioning regulations.

The workshop will be conducted in English language, including the group work on drafting regulations by participants during the workshop. Thus, candidates should have sufficient English-language proficiency to be able to actively participate in the planned activities.

Participants must be nominated by the competent national authority of the Member State and, most specifically, by the Member States' official counterpart for the project.

**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 for this project, Mr. Andrejs Salmins, through IAEA Official Fax (+43-1-26007) or E-Mail (Official.Mail@iaea.org), not later than 10 June 2016. 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 then returning back to their home countries from Vienna (Austria), and a Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA) at the prevailing UN Rate. Shipment of accumulated Workshop materials to the participants' home countries is not the responsibility of the IAEA.

The organizers of the Workshop 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 workshop, 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.