

International Atomic Energy Agency

Regional Workshop: School on Drafting Regulations

Radiation Safety Stream

PROSPECTUS

Project Number & Title: RER/9/111 - Establishing a Sustainable National Regulatory Infrastructure for Nuclear and Radiation Safety

Place (City, Country): Vienna, Austria

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Deadline for Nominations: 10 July 2015

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Language: English

Purpose: The purpose of the workshop is to provide participants with the competences and necessary support to fully draft, during the course of the workshop, national implementing regulations in accordance with IAEA Standards in all areas of regulatory control of radiation sources, including: regulations for authorization, inspection and enforcement and review and assessment, together with such thematic areas as safety culture for radiation sources, occupational, medical and public exposure.

This workshop is dedicated to regulations on radiation safety. There will be an additional *School on Drafting Regulations (Nuclear Safety Stream)* workshop held at the IAEA during the same period focused on nuclear safety regulations for NPP Member States. Candidates should clearly indicate on their nomination forms that they are applying to the *Radiation Safety Stream*.

Expected Output(s): Participants will be expected to gain sufficient knowledge and expertise to produce sound regulations properly aligned with existing national legislation frameworks and in compliance with the IAEA safety requirements and best international practice.

Participants from countries that are currently producing or revising national regulations will be able to finalize or fine tune existing documents during the course of the event.

Moreover, it is expected that workshop will create an efficient platform for participants to exchange their knowledge and experience in writing regulations. Cooperation among participants after the event, using appropriate networks/platform designed to foster horizontal cooperation, will be encouraged.

Scope and Nature:

The workshop covers the elements of radiation safety infrastructure at the national level needed to apply the Standards to radiation sources such as those used in medicine, agriculture, research, industry and education. It also provides instruction on approaches to the organization and operation of the infrastructure aimed at achieving its maximum efficiency.

The workshop, at a first, is aimed to familiarize participants with the IAEA requirements for each area of interest and to continue with support in recognising gaps in national regulations, and subsequently drafting new, or revising existing, regulations.

- 1) Module 1 Regulatory framework and responsibilities of the Government, the regulatory body and the operator. Main requirements on radiation protection (planned and emergency exposure situations, medical and occupational exposures).
- 2) Module 2 Main requirements on radiation protection (planned and existing exposure situations, occupational and public exposure). Main requirements for management of radioactive waste and decommissioning.
- 3) Module 3 Main requirements on different stages of the licensing process and safety culture related with radiation sources will be included.

At least, one month before the workshop, participants should provide the Secretariat with copies of existing regulations to be revised or further developed during the workshop and/or preferred topic areas for new regulations to be developed in outline. In addition, participants should bring, or have immediate access to, relevant national material including applicable, procedures, guidance, etc. All such material should be in English.

Participants are requested to bring a laptop computer to the workshop.

Participant will each present a brief summary of the status of legal framework, including the scope and completeness of national regulations for radiation safety. The presentation should also explain the national regulatory approach to develop regulations and identified all regulations and safety guides relevant for the scope of the school. To ensure a uniform approach, the Secretariat will prepare a template to be used for the preparation of the

national presentations.

Background Information:

The implementation of TC project RER/9/111 is aimed to achieve and maintain effective and sustainable regulatory infrastructures for safety of the participating countries in accordance with relevant IAEA safety standards and guidance aimed to enhance effectiveness of the regulatory programmes (e.g., strengthening the national safety infrastructures for the control of facilities and activities, through developing adequate and effective regulatory mechanisms and harmonizing and streamlining national capabilities for regulatory control).

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Participation:

The workshop is open to 15 participants from Member States participating in the TC project RER/9/111. In addition to the standard nomination form to be submitted via the official channel, interested participants should complete the enclosed questionnaire *Supplementary Questions for Drafting School Candidates*.

Participants' Qualifications:

The participants should be regulatory staff of their respective national authorities responsible for drafting or enacting regulations. The staff should be directly engaged in (or expected to become responsible for) the drafting of radiation safety regulations. Candidates should be knowledgeable and actively participating in daily activities connected with one or several of the various regulatory functions for the control and surveillance of radiation sources from cradle to grave, including authorization, import/export, inspection and enforcement, inventory and registry.

The workshop will be conducted in English and regulations drafted by participants will be written in English as the working language. Thus, candidates should have sufficient English proficiency to participate in the workshop without difficulty.

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, Ms Sandra Steyskal, through IAEA Official Fax (+43-1-26007) or E-Mail (Official.Mail@iaea.org), not later than 10 July 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 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.