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**Subject:** Invitation to a Research Reactors Regional Project Review Meeting, Vienna, Austria, 26-29 January 2016

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 RER1007 – Research Reactors Regional Project Review Meeting. 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 Ludmila Wiszczor (IAEA Official Fax: +43-1-26007 or E-Mail [Official.Mail@iaea.org](mailto:Official.Mail@iaea.org)), through the official channels, i.e. the designated National Liaison Office for IAEA matters, not later than 20 November 2015.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure: Prospectus

# **International Atomic Energy Agency**

## **Research Reactors Regional Project Review Meeting**

### **PROSPECTUS**

- Project Number & Title:** RER/1/007 – Enhancing Use and Safety of Research Reactors through Networking, Coalitions and Shared Best Practices
- Place (City, Country):** Vienna, Austria
- Dates:** 26–29 January 2016
- Nominations Deadline:** 20 November 2015
- Organizer:** The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
- Language:** English
- Purpose:** The main objectives of this meeting are to:
- Present the regional and thematic activities on enhancing safe operation and utilization of research reactors (RRs) that have been implemented during the 4 years of the current RER/1/007 project and share the results and lessons learned from active sub-regional RR coalitions supported by the project, in particular the Eastern European Research Reactor Initiative (EERRI), the Eurasian Research Reactor Coalition (ERRC), the Commonwealth of Independent States Research Reactor Coalition (CISRRC), and the Global TRIGA Research Reactor Network (GTRRN);
  - Present activities on application of the Code of Conduct on Safety of Research Reactors and in particular the European Advisory Safety Committee for Research Reactor (EURASC);
  - Review the work plan of the new regional project RER2014003 on Enhancing Utilization and Safety of Research Reactors for the first 2 years in both utilization and safety areas of the project and discuss in detail the implementation.
  - Review and discuss the existing and future work plans of active RR networks and coalitions, if necessary;
  - Carry out discussions on the potential areas and priorities of thematic networks, involving RRs from different networks and coalitions.

**Expected Output(s):**

The expected outputs of the meeting are to:

- Exchanged information and experience on the activities and results achieved within the project RER/1/007 as a whole and from sub-regional networks and coalitions, thematic joint activities and other initiatives;
- Discussed and agreed the work plan of the new regional project RER2014003 for the first 2 year;
- Discussed and agreed work plans for active RR coalitions/networks as well as for joint thematic areas, as applicable;
- Discussed and agreed additional potential areas of interest for thematic networks and corresponding activities.

**Scope and Nature:**

The meeting will be held in plenary and breakout sessions in order to:

- Present the implemented activities and achieved results within the project RER/1/007 (plenary);
- Discuss implementation, potential issues and detailed individual plans for each represented coalition/network or thematic areas (breakout);
- Present the detailed work plan for the first 2 years of the new regional project RER2014003 and its implementation strategy (plenary);
- Discuss the potential areas for thematic networks, and present the corresponding work plans (plenary).

The meeting will comprise of participants' presentations, open discussions and preparation of the final report and conclusions.

The meeting will be facilitated by the IAEA staff from TC, NE, NA and NS departments.

**Background Information:**

The IAEA promotes networking, coalitions and regional collaboration to improve the safety, and efficient and sustainable utilization of RRs. A number of RR coalitions and networks have developed with IAEA support as a new model to better utilise RR and facilitate access for the Member States without such facilities. The coalition/network concept involves putting in place cooperative arrangements among RR operators, user entities and other stakeholders. Ideally, a strong partnership is formed leading to increased utilization of individual RRs through collective efforts, including improved self-sustainability, self-reliability and adherence to the Code of Conduct on Safety of Research Reactors.

**Participation:** The meeting is open for experts from Member States taking active part in the project activities related to RR utilization, operation, and safety. Countries that have active participants in both utilization and safety parts of the project are entitled to nominate two experts in relevant areas.

**Participants' Qualifications:** The meeting is designed for managers of existing RR facilities and planned or ongoing new RR projects, RR regulators, senior members of operating organizations' safety committees, senior representatives of RR user community, senior representatives in charge of planning and development in RR related areas such as nuclear safety, nuclear education and training, nuclear science, nuclear medicine, nuclear engineering and technology.

As the meeting will be conducted in English, participants should have sufficient proficiency to follow discussions and express themselves in this language without difficulties.

**Nomination Procedure:** Nominations for meeting 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 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 Ludmila Wiszczor, through IAEA Official Fax (+43-1-26007) or E-Mail ([Official.Mail@iaea.org](mailto:Official.Mail@iaea.org)), not later than **20 November 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.