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Subject: Annual Meeting of the Europe Advisory Safety Committee for Research Reactors (EURASC), Almaty, Kazakhstan from 11 to 15 December 2017

Dear National Liaison Officer/National Coordinator,

I am pleased to inform you that the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) is organizing the above event under the IAEA technical cooperation project RER1016, "Enhancing Utilization and Safety of Research Reactors".

The meeting is intended to provide a forum for exchange of information and sharing knowledge and experience among the participating Member States on the safety issues of common interest within the region including, in particular, assessment of extreme external events following the lessons from the Fukushima Daiichi accident, and implementation of safety upgrades identified from this assessment.

The Information Sheet and Logistical Arrangements available on the IAEA's InTouch+ platform provide further details, including technical and administrative aspects of the meeting. Selection of participants will be in accordance with IAEA procedures.

The IAEA will provide non-local participants with a round-trip air ticket based on the most direct and economical route between the airport nearest the participant's residence and Almaty. Travel details will be agreed with the participants upon receipt of their official nomination. Participants will also receive an allowance from the IAEA sufficient to cover their costs of lodging, daily subsistence and miscellaneous expenses for the duration of the meeting in line with IAEA rules and procedures.

We would appreciate receiving your country's nominations by 6 October 2017 through the IAEA's InTouch+ platform (https://Intouchplus.iaea.org). Should this not be possible, applicants may download the Nomination Form for the meeting from the IAEA's webpage. Completed forms must be endorsed by the relevant government authority and may be sent to the IAEA by email, fax or mail. Please be advised that late nominations or replacements of participants after the closing date for nominations will not be accepted.

We look forward to receiving your early response.

Yours sincerely.

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Annual Meeting of the Europe Advisory Safety Committee for Research Reactors (EURASC)

Hosted by

The Government of Kazakhstan

through the

Institute of Nuclear Physics - Kazakhstan

Almaty, Kazakhstan

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Information Sheet

A. Purpose

The meeting is intended to provide a forum for exchange of information and sharing knowledge and experience among the participating Member States on the safety issues of common interest within the region including, in particular, assessment of extreme external events following the lessons from the Fukushima Daiichi accident, and implementation of safety upgrades identified from this assessment.

B. Working Language(s)

The working language(s) of the event will be **English**.

C. Deadline for Nominations

Nominations received after 6 October 2017 will not be considered.

D. Scope and Nature

The meeting will consist of presentations by the participants (and discussions) on their national practices and experience on the meeting's topics, including the role of the national safety committees. The meeting will also include discussions on the implementation of the recommendations of the 2016' EURASC meeting. The participants of the meeting will also perform a detailed walkthrough of the WWR-K research reactor, including discussions with the reactor operating personnel on the reactor operational safety aspects.

The IAEA technical officer(s) will participate in the meeting to provide guidance on application of IAEA safety standards, and to provide technical support, as requested.

E. Participation

The meeting is open to 25 participants from Member States.

Each country is invited to nominate **one or more participants** who must match the profile described in the corresponding paragraph, indicating the order of priority.

F. Participants' Qualifications and Experience

The participants should be the Chairpersons of their operating organization's safety committee or senior members of research reactor operating organizations. One participant per Member State (which is nominated as a member of the EURASC) will be financially supported by the RER1016 project. An additional technical expert per Member State who is familiar with the topics of the meeting may also participate at no cost to the Agency.

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

G. Application Procedure

- 1. Access the IAEA TALEO page (https://iaea.taleo.net/) and complete the Candidate Profile.
- 2. Be registered on the Nucleus page of the IAEA (https://nucleus.iaea.org/).
- 3. Through Nucleus you access the InTouch+ platform (https://nucleus.iaea.org/Pages/InTouchPlus.aspx) where the Profile is completed (My Profile tab).

It is very important that you make sure that the email you use for TALEO and Nucleus is the same. If not, your profile will not appear complete.

- 4. On the InTouch + platform, under 'My InTouch +' tab:
- a. In 'My Institute' section you must select the institute / organization that you work / represent.
- b. In the IAEA Recruitment Platform section, click on the link called 'Refresh Personal History Form' to update the system, otherwise the nominations submitted will have these fields empty and it will not be possible to evaluate them during the selection of candidates.

After following the instructions mentioned above, you will have completed your profile and can apply for Technical Cooperation events.

5. In the InTouch + platform, in the 'Applications' tab proceed to search by the event number provided in the invitation.

The help for each step is located at the top of the page. For additional help on how to register, create a profile and apply for an event, please refer to the online guide and training videos available under the following links: how-to-guide and training-videos. Any issues or queries related to the new system can be addressed to lnTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org or TC-AIPS-PL4.Contact-point@iaea.org

Event: EVT1702416

Event deadline: 6 October 2017

Only applications submitted through the National Liaison Officer will be accepted.

Applications received outside the deadline or incomplete (TALEO & InTouch+) will not be accepted.

The deadline for the calls is established according to European Central Time.

H. Administrative and Financial Arrangements

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

Selected participants will receive an allowance from the IAEA sufficient to cover their costs of lodging, daily subsistence and miscellaneous expenses. They will also receive either a round-trip air ticket based on the most direct and economical route between the airport nearest their residence and the airport nearest the duty station through the IAEA's travel agency American Express, or a travel grant, or they will be reimbursed travel by car/bus/train in accordance with IAEA rules for non-staff travel.

I. Disclaimer of Liability

The organizers of the event 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 course, and it is clearly understood that each Government, in approving his/her participation, undertakes responsibility for such coverage. Governments would be well advised to take out insurance against these risks.

J. Note for female participants:

Any woman engaged by the IAEA for work or training should notify the IAEA on becoming aware that she is pregnant.

The Board of Governors of the IAEA approved new International Basic Safety Standards for Protection against Ionizing Radiation and for the Safety of Radiation Sources. The Standards deal specifically with the occupational exposure conditions of female workers by requiring, inter alia, that a female worker should, on becoming aware that she is pregnant, notify her employer in order that her working conditions may be modified, if necessary. This notification shall not be considered a reason to exclude her from work; however, her working conditions, with respect to occupational exposure shall be adapted with a view to ensuring that her embryo or foetus be afforded the same broad level of protection as required for members of the public.

K. Organization

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Subsequent correspondence on scientific matters should be sent to the Technical Officer and correspondence on other matters related to the meeting to the Programme and Administrative Contact.