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National Liaison Officer/National Coordinator

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Subject: TC Meeting on Findings of the Previous TC RER Project and Resulting Implications for the Project Implementation, Vienna, Austria from 5 to 9 March 2018

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 RER7011, “Enhancing the Inventory of Aerosol Source Profiles Characterized by Nuclear Analytic Techniques in Support of Air Quality Management”.

The purpose of the event is to review previous project achievements, identify lessons learned and plan activities for the project RER7011, in the study of airborne particulate matter elemental content to identify the regional sources of air pollution in Europe.

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 Vienna. 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 **19 January 2018** 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 to C.Henrich@iaea.org with copy to Offical.Mail@iaea.org, as well as 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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Information Sheet

A. Background

Environmental pollution monitoring is performed by Environmental Agencies. National regulations and European Directives require lowering pollution level and a good air quality. Since, there is unequivocal association between atmospheric particles and human health, European and national regulations are requiring lower PM limit concentrations and, besides the measurement of PM₁₀, the control of new parameters such as PM_{2.5} and some element concentrations in particles have been enforced. In addition, there is not enough information about the atmospheric aerosol physical and chemical characteristics principally in the Central and Eastern Europe. Longer database on atmospheric pollutants, namely on air particles and their constituents, are needed in order to support air quality management and research work. On the other hand, air pollution is an issue not limited to a particular location but common to all of Europe. A regional approach is needed in order to standardize and harmonize analytical procedures to study local and regional pollution. Moreover, due to trans-boundary movement, air pollution is a regional (or even global) problem and requires coordinated efforts and involvement of many countries. Therefore, it is crucial that the analysis and characterization of air pollution essential for monitoring and regulating of air pollution, is performed on a regional scale.

In conclusion, the project RER7011 aims to enhance with high quality data on APM elemental contents the already established information, which will be further utilised in support of better identification and apportionment of major sources of air pollution at regional scale. In more specific, it is expected to identify source profiles and determine source contributions, whereas the air quality dependence on meteorological conditions will be studied in participating Member States.

B. Purpose

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C. Working Language(s)

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

D. Deadline for Nominations

Nominations received after **19 January 2017** will not be considered.

E. Scope and Nature

This will be first Technical Meeting of the project to review the results achieved by the countries so far and to enable each member state to present their progress and review work plans. The meeting will include formal presentations and group discussions.

F. Participation

The meeting is open to **30** 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.

G. Participants' Qualifications and Experience

The participants should be the National Project Coordinator (NPCs) or a member of the National Project Team in the NPC's absence. Each Member State may submit one nomination. The participants should be capable of freely expressing themselves in English and following discussions. The participants should be specialists in air pollution studies, with demonstrated experience or intention to engage in

work related to source apportionment and transboundary transport.

H. Expected Outputs

The expected outputs of this meeting are: results achieved by each Member State and work plan reviewed and revised until the end of 2019; presentations by field experts on recent advances in source apportionment studies; and report of the Meeting and consolidated LFM for RER7011.

I. Application Procedure

Candidates wishing to apply for this event should follow the steps below:-

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, access the InTouch+ platform where the Profile is completed (My Profile tab) (<https://nucleus.iaea.org/Pages/InTouchPlus.aspx>).
NOTE: The email used for TALEO and Nucleus must be the same. If not, the candidate's profile will not appear complete.
4. On the InTouch + platform, under the 'My InTouch +' tab, the candidate needs to:
 - a. select the institute / organization that he/she works at / represents ('My Institute' section);
 - b. 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* ('IAEA Recruitment Platform' section).
NOTE: Once the above steps are finalized, the candidate's profile will appear as completed and he/she can apply for Technical Cooperation events.
5. In the InTouch+ platform (<https://Intouchplus.iaea.org>), in the 'Applications' tab, 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 InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org or TC-AIPS-PL4.Contact-point@iaea.org.

Should this not be possible, applicants may download the Nomination Form for the meeting from the IAEA website <https://www.iaea.org/services/technical-cooperation-programme/how-to-participate>.

Applications should contain sufficient information to establish that the nominees have the required qualifications. Completed applications need to be endorsed by the relevant national authority, i.e. the National Liaison Office and may be send to the IAEA by email to the Programme Management Officer Mr Christoph Henrich (C.Henrich@iaea.org) copy to Offical.Mail@iaea.org.

J. 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.

K. 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 meeting, 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.

L. 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.

M. 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.