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National Liaison Officers /

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Subject: Regional Training Course for Implementation of Protocols and Procedures of Radon Measurement in Dwelling, Workplaces and Water, Bratislava, Slovakia, from 19 to 22 January 2021

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 RER9153, “Enhancing the Regional Capacity to Control Long Term Risks to the Public due to Radon in Dwellings and Workplaces”.

The purpose of the event is to train participants on protocols and procedures of radon measurement in dwellings, workplaces and water.

The attached Information Sheet provides further details, including technical and administrative aspects of the event. Selection of participants will be in accordance with IAEA procedures. Member States are strongly encouraged to identify suitable women participants.

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 Bratislava. 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 event in line with IAEA rules and procedures.

We would appreciate receiving your country’s nominations by **16 October 2020** through the IAEA's InTouch+ platform (<https://Intouchplus.iaea.org>). Should this not be possible, applicants may download the Nomination Form for the course from the [IAEA’s webpage](#). Completed forms must be endorsed by the relevant government authority and may be sent to the IAEA, preferably by email to Official Mail - IAEA Mail address Official.Mail@iaea.org, with copy to Ms Ludmila Wiszczor L.Wiszczor@iaea.org. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ludmila Wiszczor', is centered on the page.

Ludmila Wiszczor
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Enclosure: Information Sheet



Regional Training Course for Implementation of Protocols and Procedures of Radon Measurement in Dwelling, Workplaces and Water

Hosted by

The Government of Slovakia

through the

Regional Public Health Authority in Banska Bystrica

Bratislava, Slovakia

19 to 22 January 2021

Ref. No.: TN-RER9153-1907200

Information Sheet

Purpose

The purpose of the event is to train participants on protocols and procedures of radon measurement in dwellings, workplaces and water.

Working Language

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

Deadline for Nominations

Nominations received after **16 October 2020** will not be considered.

Project Background

This training course is organised in the framework of the TC regional project RER9153, Enhancing the Regional Capacity to Control Long Term Risks to the Public due to Radon in Dwellings and Workplaces. The objective of the regional project RER9153 is to support the establishment and implementation of national action plans in accordance with the GSR Part 3 for controlling public and occupational exposure due to indoor radon. An important part of the national radon control programme is to ensure reliable and legally valid radon measurements by laboratories. The measurement protocols and methods are the elements of the reliable measurement capacity, in parallel to approved qualified measurement service providers.

Scope and Nature

The training course is limited to the issues of measurement methods and protocols for radon at workplaces, in dwellings and water applying passive and active measurement techniques.

Participation

The event is addressed to radon measurement (water, workplaces, dwellings) service providers and national authorities responsible for control of compliance with radon regulations for workplaces, dwellings and in water.

The event is open to 33 participants from Member States participating in the TC project RER9153.

Member States are invited to nominate up to two candidates who must match the profile described in the corresponding paragraph.

Participants' Qualifications and Experience

Nominated candidates should be staff involved in development and implementation of radon measurement protocols and methods at service providers and at national authorities. The participants must be fluent in English language as they are required to present national methods and protocols, and to discuss the issues.

Application Procedure

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

1. Access the InTouch+ home page (<https://intouchplus.iaea.org>) using the candidate's existing Nucleus username and password. If the candidate is not a registered Nucleus user, she/he must create a Nucleus account (<https://websso.iaea.org/IM/UserRegistrationPage.aspx>) before proceeding with the event application process below.
2. On the InTouch + platform, the candidate must:
 - a. Finalize or update her/his personal details, provide sufficient information to establish the required qualifications regarding education, language skills and work experience ('Profile' tab) and upload relevant supporting documents;
 - b. Search for the relevant technical cooperation event (EVT1907200) under the 'My Eligible Events' tab, answer the mandatory questions and lastly submit the application to the required authority.

NOTE: Completed applications need to be approved by the relevant national authority, i.e. the National Liaison Office, and submitted to the IAEA through the established official channels by the provided designation deadline.

For additional support on how to apply for an event, please refer to the [InTouch+ Help page](#). Any issues or queries related to InTouch+ can be addressed to InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org.

Should online application submission not be possible, candidates may download the nomination form for the training course from the [IAEA website](#).

NOTE: A medical certificate signed by a registered medical practitioner dated not more than four months prior to starting date of the event must be submitted by candidates when applying for a) events with a duration exceeding one month, and/or b) all candidates over the age of 65 regardless of the event duration.

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.

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.

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.

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