

Regional Workshop on Safety and Technical Requirements for Radioactive Waste Storage Facilities

Hosted by

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Information Sheet

Purpose

The purpose of the workshop is to discuss issues, practical needs and new developments related to radioactive waste storage in Member States, to enhance radioactive waste management capabilities by enhancing stakeholders mutual understanding and cooperation on starting and implementation project for storage of radioactive waste by discussing these practices in the light of the IAEA Safety Standards and the best practices.

Working Language(s)

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

Deadline for Nominations

Nominations received after 31 August 2021 will not be considered.

Scope and Nature

The workshop is intended to cover technical, safety and strategical issues associated with the storage of radioactive waste as a part of integrated radioactive waste management system. Decay storage of very short-lived waste and storage of spent fuel are out of scope for this event.

The aim of the workshop is to exchange information and experience on developing and implementation of storage projects, discussing interdependences and issues of integrated waste management. The workshop will focus on:

- (i) Safety Standards on predisposal of radioactive waste,
- (ii) Safety Guide on Storage of Radioactive Waste,
- (iii) Roadmap as a high-level strategy for developing Storage Project,
- (iv) Lessons learned

The workshop will consist of overview presentations provided by invited experts, who will moderate discussion between participants. Participants will present their experience and issues encountered on developing and implementing storage projects addressing technical issues, operatory and regulatory decision-making, interdependences with preceding and following steps in waste management.

Participants' Qualifications and Experience

The participants should be specialists actually involved into developing and implementing projects for storage of radioactive waste. They should be regulators, supporting institutions involved in developing or reviewing applications for authorisation of storage facilities and activities, high-level managers of radioactive waste storage projects; or they could also be operators of storage facilities.

This workshop is open to Member States who are participating in the RER9154 project.

Participants are required to provide overview presentation/status reports on planning, initiating and practical realisation in the field of storage of radioactive waste.

Application Procedure

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

- 1. Access the IAEA TALEO page (https://iaea.taleo.net/careersection/ex/jobsearch.ftl) 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 <a href="maining-interior interior inter

Should this not be possible, applicants may download the Nomination Form for the ME 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. Please note that the information regarding LANGUAGE SKILLS, EDUCATION AND WORK EXPERIENCE is exported from TALEO. If an applicant's profile in TALEO is not updated, the information in INTOUCH+ for these sections appears as empty and the candidates cannot be evaluated. Completed applications need to be endorsed by the relevant national authority, i.e. the National Liaison Office and submitted through the established official channels.

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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