



Virtual Event – Interregional Training Course on Participatory Decision-Making in Environmental Remediation and Site Release from Regulatory Control

Hosted by

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Information Sheet

Purpose

The purpose of this event is to provide participants with knowledge and skills needed to implement participatory decision-making in environmental remediation projects

Working Language

The working language of the event will be English.

Deadline for Nominations

Nominations received after 23 January 2022 will not be considered.

Project Background

This Interregional Project INT2020 is developed with the aim of building capacity in Member States to facilitate the implementation of remediation and decommissioning projects by providing a series of articulated training events that will lead participants to acquire a more solid and integrated view of the different elements that are necessary to progress with decommissioning and environmental remediation (D&ER) projects. Instead of organising training events, covering a diverse set of ad-hoc topics, this project is innovative in the sense that it puts together a series of articulated training modules that will gradually contribute to the consolidation of skills that need to be in place to contribute to the planning, management, implementation and oversight of D&ER Projects. As D&ER is a multi-disciplinary process, a holistic approach will be pursued, and single aspects will be considered from multiple angles. This project is expected to increase progress in planning and delivery of D&ER projects by providing practical skills and enhancing the understanding of all drivers and constraints (a holistic approach) and an appreciation of the full suite of stakeholders and disciplines. This training will be imbued with a sense of realism. To this end, wide use will be made of case studies, anecdotal evidence, and personal experience. The project will entail a collaborative approach making use of innovative training mechanisms such as integrated web-based tools (e-learning and webinars).

Scope and Nature

This 5-day training course 21 – 25 February will focus on D&ER Participatory Decision-Making in the remediation and release (from regulatory controls) of sites affected by events that may have led to their contamination by radioactive elements.

The format of the virtual training course will consist of the following:

- Up to four hours per day of virtual instruction, including a mix of lectures and interactive sessions.
- Daily assignments to be completed independently by participants between the virtual sessions; and
- Delivery of a final assignment.

Topics covered in the course will include:

- Social, Economic, Scientific and Regulatory Aspects of Environmental Remediation
- Stakeholder Involvement in Environmental Remediation Decisions
- Multi-Criteria Decision-Making Analysis in Environmental Decision-Making
- Sustainability Framework for Decision-Making
- Future Use and End-State Determination in Environmental Remediation
- Integration of Decision-Making in Overall Project Planning and Management
- Case Studies
- Exercises

Participation

The course is open to 25 participants from following Member States participating in INT2020 project:

Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, China, Croatia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Indonesia, Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Kuwait, Latvia, Libya, Lithuania, Malawi, Malaysia, Mexico, Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Tajikistan, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Turkey, North Macedonia, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uzbekistan, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Viet Nam and Zambia.

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

Daily attendance will be required and monitored along with submission of requested evaluations and completion of assignments in order to receive a course certificate.

Participants' Qualifications and Experience

The training is intended for high-level decision makers, project planners, managers, as well as implementers and individuals that aim to work in the above positions/capacities, who are currently or will be involved in respective national project or activities related to D&ER in the future.

Participants in the training will need to have advanced competency in the course language (English); be currently employed with a regulator, industry, university/educational program, or another organization with involvement in D&ER activities; and have a formal university education in an appropriate field (including engineering, science, law, business, and social science) or adequate level of experience in a "relevant" field. For attending this module (or any other module of the project) candidates will need to complete designated eLearning module(s) which to be possibly decided soon. Only candidates that can prove that they have successfully completed the e-Learning module will have their applications further examined. The webinar will task each participant with an assignment that need to be delivered during the training period.

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 (EVT1906985) 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](#).

Administrative and Financial Arrangements

Nominating authorities will be informed in due course of the names of the candidates who have been selected. No registration fee is charged to participants. Attendance to this training does not require travel. Selected candidates will attend the virtual event from their offices or other appropriate space in their hometowns and countries.

Additional Information

The event will be conducted through web-based facilities virtually (online) and coordinated jointly between Argonne National Laboratory and the IAEA. Selected participants will be informed in due course regarding the virtual platform.

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