



Interregional Meeting on Disused Sources Integrated Decision-Evaluation Support (DSIDES)

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Information Sheet

Purpose

The purpose of the event is to present the Disused Sources Integrated Decision Evaluation Support (DSIDES) tool for determining best end of life management option (long term storage, source removal, disposal) for the disused sealed radioactive source (DSRS) inventory.

Working Language(s)

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

Deadline for Nominations

Nominations received after 09 August 2019 will not be considered.

Project Background

Selecting and implementing appropriate end-of-life management options for DSRS has been identified by Member States as a challenge in many different coordination or working meetings. Member States have indicated that the existing information fails to cover important aspects and variables for them to take evidence-based decisions on the available end-of-life management options. Information gaps often include the cost implications and staffing needs associated with DSRS conditioning, repatriation, storage and disposal.

The DSIDES tool and document aims to provide direct support to Member States, and to fill the gaps identified. Its aim is to review in a simple yet comprehensive way the different end-of-life management options, and offer guidance on which options are more suitable for which inventories, and on what physical, regulatory and human infrastructure is needed to successfully implement those options, and what different alternatives are currently available or under development.

The outcome of this event can be used as an important basis for convincing and helping high level stakeholders in the decision-making process

Scope and Nature

The Meeting will present the document and the DSIDES tool through a series of workshops and exercises. The DSIDES tool will be demonstrated by in small groups of participants.

Exercises will be carried out by the participants to use the methodology and make an informed decision of best management option for a specific set of factors within their Member state.

The results of the two previous trials of the DSIDES will be presented, along with lessons learned.

Participants' Qualifications and Experience

Member States are encouraged to nominate two participants. One from each, operators and regulators, that are responsible for end of life management of DSRS and especially those who are responsible for determining the best decision for their specific situation.

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 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 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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