

International School of Nuclear Law (ISNL) 2026 Session

2026 summer session: 24 August to 4 September 2026

[The application period is now open.](#)

Programme

The 2026 ISNL programme will feature comprehensive lectures delivered by renowned specialists in nuclear law from international organisations, governments and private industry.

For reference, the 2025 programme can be found here:

[2025 ISNL Programme](#)

Application and admission process

Requirements

Due to the highly competitive nature of the ISNL selection process, applicants are strongly encouraged to submit the best possible application. Application forms must be completed in English. Please attach a digital passport-type photograph to your e-mail application. While a current resume or CV may be provided with your application, you are advised to submit all necessary information in the application form. Be aware that no additional documentation will be considered in the selection process.

Both professionals and graduate students will be considered for admission. Applicants do not need to come from the NEA member countries. Applicants must have an undergraduate university degree in a relevant discipline. Advanced graduate-level education and/or significant professional work experience are also important factors in the application process. Although course presentations and discussions focus on legal issues, a legal education is not required to participate in the ISNL.

Participants must hold insurance to cover accidents, hospitalisation or repatriation.

Participation

The 2026 ISNL will be limited to approximately **60 participants**. Participants will be selected based on a number of factors that aim at a diverse representation of nationality, gender, professional experience, and academic background, among other factors.

Registration fee

The registration fees for the 2026 session are:

- EUR 3 000 for professionals; and
- EUR 650 for students.

To qualify as a student you must be enrolled in a degree-granting programme at the start of ISNL and you must not be engaged in full-time employment. You may be asked to provide documentation of your student status.

The registration fee includes admission solely for the participant to:

- the educational programme;
- the welcome reception;
- the Saturday excursion;
- other scheduled social events (unless indicated otherwise).

Print and electronic reference materials will also be provided to ISNL participants.

Successful applicants will receive additional course information as well as bank payment details in late spring 2026.

The registration fee is not subject to French taxes of any kind.

Costs associated with travel, accommodation, subsistence expenses (including meals), insurance and any other miscellaneous items are not covered by the registration fee and shall be borne exclusively by the participant.

The registration fee must be paid **by bank transfer only** and in full at least four weeks prior to the start of the course. **Course participation is confirmed only upon receipt by the NEA of a proof of payment in full of the registration fee.**

Grant and financial support opportunities

Two different types of grants and financial support opportunities are available to interested and qualified applicants.

- The NEA awards grants to a select number of **students** from its [member countries](#) qualified to participate in this programme. To apply for an NEA grant, please check the appropriate box on the application form.
- The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) awards financial support to a limited number of **professionals** from its member states that are eligible under the IAEA Technical Cooperation Programme. To apply for an IAEA grant, please check the appropriate box on the application form, and in addition, submit an application for IAEA financial support directly to the IAEA. More information on the application procedure is provided on [the IAEA website](#).

University Diploma in International Nuclear Law

ISNL participants have the possibility to apply for a University Diploma (*Diplôme d'université - D.U.*) in International Nuclear Law from the [University of Montpellier](#). There are no additional fees to apply for or receive the diploma. You will be asked if you wish to apply at the end of the ISNL programme (there is no need to register for it in advance).

[More information about the diploma.](#)

Practical information

Venue

The ISNL will take place on the campus of the University of Montpellier located in [Montpellier, France](#).

Language

All course instruction and discussion will take place in **English**; all course materials will be provided in **English**. Simultaneous interpretation will not be available during the course.

Accommodation

Local accommodation information, including options for student housing, will be distributed to participants upon their acceptance into the course.

Dress code

The dress code during the classes is informal; participants may dress casually.

When?

24 August 2026 - 4 September 2026

Montpellier, France

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