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The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) presents its compliments to the IAEA's Member States and has the honour to draw their attention to the **International Conference on Small Modular Reactors and their Applications** (hereinafter referred to as "event") to be held at the IAEA's Headquarters in Vienna, Austria, from 21 to 25 October 2024.

The purpose of the event is to provide an international forum to discuss opportunities and challenges for the development and deployment of small modular reactors (SMRs). Participants will include technology holders, SMR users and operators and representatives of regulatory bodies, education and training organizations and international organizations, as well as other stakeholders. The event will be the first IAEA conference dedicated to SMRs and their applications.

The event will cover a wide range of topics related to SMRs, including: design, technology and fuel cycle; legislative and regulatory frameworks; safety, security and safeguards; and energy planning, deployment approaches, and relevant nuclear infrastructure and human resource developments. The event will also showcase recent major Agency activities, such as the Nuclear Harmonization and Standardization Initiative.

The event will be held in English.

Member States are invited to disseminate the attached Announcement and Call for Papers to the target audience for the event and to designate participants using the InTouch+ platform, as indicated in Section H. Member States are strongly encouraged to designate women participants.

The IAEA is generally not in a position to bear the travel and other costs of participants in the event. The IAEA has, however, limited funds at its disposal to help meet the cost of attendance of certain participants. Upon specific request, such assistance may be offered to normally one participant per country, provided that, in the IAEA's view, the participant will make an important contribution to the event

Applications for financial assistance, as well as submissions of papers, can only be considered if received via InTouch+ by the deadlines indicated in Section O of the Announcement and Call for Papers.

It should be noted that compensation is not payable by the IAEA for any damage to or loss of personal property. The IAEA also does not provide health insurance coverage for participants in events. Arrangements for private insurance coverage on an individual basis should therefore be made. The IAEA will, however, provide insurance coverage for accidents and illnesses that clearly result from any work performed for the IAEA.

The Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the IAEA's Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.



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