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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 **Annual Meeting of the Regulatory Forum for Safety of Uranium Production and Naturally Occurring Radioactive Materials** (hereinafter referred to as "event") to be held virtually via Cisco WebEx from 6 to 10 June 2022.

The purpose of the event is to review the progress made in activities identified as 'high priority' at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Regulatory Forum for Safety of Uranium Production and Naturally Occurring Radioactive Materials.

The event will be held in English.

Member States are invited to designate one or more participants to represent the Government at this event. Member States are strongly encouraged to identify suitable women participants.

Designations should be submitted to the IAEA through the competent national authority (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission to the IAEA or National Atomic Energy Authority) not later than **13 May 2022** using the attached Participation Form (Form A). Completed and authorized Participation Forms should be sent either by email to: Official.Mail@iaea.org or by fax to: +43 1 26007 (no hard copies needed). Copies should be sent by email to the Scientific Secretary of the event, Mr Zhiwen Fan, Division of Radiation, Transport and Waste Safety, Department of Nuclear Safety and Security (Email: Z.Fan@iaea.org) and to the Administrative Secretary, Ms Dunja Kostadinovic (Email: D.Kostadinovic@iaea.org).

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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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Enclosures: Information Sheet

Participation Form (Form A)



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Virtual Event

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Information Sheet

A. Introduction

The International Basic Safety Standards, issued in 2014 as IAEA Safety Standards Series No. GSR Part 3, established requirements for the management of naturally occurring radioactive materials (NORM). The IAEA Safety Standards Series No. SSG-60 Management of Residues Containing Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material from Uranium Production and Other Activities was published in 2021. Putting IAEA safety standards relevant to management of NORM residues into practice is challenging for regulatory bodies and operating organizations in IAEA Member States.

The IAEA project "Regulatory Forum for Safety of Uranium Production and Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (REGSUN)" is aimed to help build capacity in all the Member States undertaking or considering uranium production or the management of NORM residues, to:

- Promote good regulation and safe and environmentally responsible practices through the application of IAEA safety standards;
- Promote and increase the exchange of information and expertise among participants, including
 providing regular updates on best practice approaches, offering targeted assistance in the review and
 provision of expertise, and identifying gaps in guidance;
- Support the utilization of the related IAEA tools and training materials; and
- Provide strategic input for the IAEA's future work in areas related to the safety of uranium production and NORM residues management.

Under the REGSUN project, annual meeting is organized to review the progress of activities relevant to the subject of the REGSUN by the IAEA representatives. The meeting also includes presentations by the participants on selected topics focusing on practical issues and challenges relevant to safety and regulatory aspects of uranium production and NORM activities. This event is a follow up event of the annual meeting of REGSUN in 2021.

B. Objectives

The objectives of the event are to review the progress made in activities identified as high priority at the meeting of the REGSUN in 2021 and to identify issues that should be addressed. These activities include reviewing progress in supporting application of IAEA Safety Standards related to the subject areas, sharing experience in establishing regulation for management of NORM, and exchange of information in topical areas associated with safety of uranium production and management of NORM residues.

The meeting will address, inter alia, the following topics:

- Update information on IAEA activities for safety of uranium production and management of NORM residues;
- Establishing task working groups to address high priorities in the subject areas as identified in REGSUN 2021;
- Review of status of development of training materials and discuss future plan, including development of a train the trainer program for safety of management of NORM residues;
- Emerging issues in safety and regulatory aspects of uranium production activities;
- Experiences focusing on establishing regulation for NORM, disposal of waste involving NORM waste, reuse and recycling of residues containing NORM.

C. Target Audience

Candidates for the meeting should be professionals from regulatory bodies, national authorities, operating organizations or technical support organizations, with direct involvement and responsibilities in relation to activities, such as:

- Uranium mining and milling;
- Uranium exploration;
- Establishment of regulatory framework for management of NORM residues;
- Identification and inventory development of NORM activities;
- Training and technical support to relevant activities.

Participants are expected to provide input to the meeting by presenting their national approaches and experiences related to the topics, and by taking active part in discussions.

The meeting will be conducted in English language. Thus, candidates should have sufficient English-language proficiency to be able to actively participate in the planned activities.

D. Working Language(s)

English

E. Participation and Registration

All persons wishing to participate in the event have to be designated by an IAEA Member State or should be members of organizations that have been invited to attend.

In order to be designated by an IAEA Member State, participants are requested to send the **Participation** Form (Form A) to their competent national authority (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission to the IAEA or National Atomic Energy Authority) for onward transmission to the IAEA by 13 May 2022. Participants who are members of an organization invited to attend are requested to send the **Participation** Form (Form A) through their organization to the IAEA by above deadline.

F. Organization

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Subsequent correspondence on scientific matters should be sent to the Scientific Secretary/Secretaries and correspondence on other matters related to the event to the Administrative Secretary.



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Participants who are members of an invited organization can submit this form to their organization for subsequent transmission to the IAEA.

Deadline for receipt by IAEA through official channels: 13 May 2022

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Do you intend to submit a paper?		Yes	No				
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