

Training Seminar for Potential Experts in Nuclear Law

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Information Sheet

Purpose

The purpose of this training is to:

- (i) inform about the Agency's policies, processes and mechanisms for delivering legislative assistance;
- (ii) refresh and further develop the knowledge and skills of individuals already having a solid knowledge of nuclear law and working in the field; and
- (iii) enhance the participants' knowledge of the national and international legal framework for the safe, secure, and peaceful use of nuclear energy and ionizing radiation, using presentations and hands-on exercises.

Working Language(s)

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

Deadline for Nominations

20 February

Project Background

The IAEA supports Member States in establishing and enhancing their national legal frameworks for the safe, secure, and peaceful use of nuclear energy and ionizing radiation through its legislative assistance programme. The programme is implemented by the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) through bilateral assistance in legislative drafting, awareness missions to inform about the relevant international legal instruments and training in nuclear law. Considering the increasing demand for legislative assistance, it is important for OLA to maintain, develop and expand the pool of experts who may be engaged in the conduct of legislative assistance activities and to provide, on a regular basis, a forum for information and discussion with the experts on nuclear law topics as well as modalities and procedures for delivering legislative assistance. The aim is to contribute to the further development of participants' expertise in nuclear law, while ensuring a consistent approach in the assistance provided to Member States and facilitating an efficient implementation of planned activities.

Scope and Nature

The training will cover all areas of nuclear law, including the international legal instruments governing nuclear safety, security, safeguards and civil liability for nuclear damage, as well as the elements of a comprehensive national legal framework for the peaceful use of nuclear technology, while addressing also the modalities for delivering IAEA legislative assistance to Member States. The training will comprise presentations delivered by IAEA officials and participating experts, as well as group discussions and hands-on exercises mainly in the form of legislative review.

Participation

Please note that participation to this Training Seminar is by Invitation Only to the following Member States: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Egypt, Eswatini, Georgia, Ghana, Malaysia, Oman, Serbia, Slovakia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, and Zambia. A selected group of experts from Member States, approximately 14 participants, will be contacted and invited to apply for this training. The participants invited to the training will be selected among experts known from our database from the different regions and different legal systems who have relevant knowledge and experience in providing expert advice on nuclear law issues and/or in developing nuclear legislation. The specific target audience are lawyers from the regulatory body, ministry of justice or ministry of foreign affairs or other national bodies participating or having participated to the adherence process of nuclear law instruments; in the drafting of their national nuclear legislation; or implementing this national legislation daily.

Participants' Qualifications and Experience

The training is only open to selected group of experts from Member states as mentioned above.

Application Procedure

The identified candidates for this training 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 (EVT2207544) 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 <u>InTouch+ Help page</u>. Any issues or queries related to InTouch+ can be addressed to <u>InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org</u>.

Should online application submission not be possible, candidates may download the nomination form for the meeting from the IAEA website.

NOTE: A medical certificate signed by a registered medical practitioner dated not more than four months prior to starting date of the event must be submitted by candidates when applying for a) events with a duration exceeding one month, and/or b) all candidates over the age of 65 regardless of the event duration.

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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