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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 **Technical Meeting on Operational Experiences of Spent Fuel and High Level Waste Transportation** (hereinafter referred to as "event") to be held at the IAEA's Headquarters in Vienna, Austria, from 24 to 28 October 2022.

In addition, the event will allow for virtual participation via Cisco Webex.

The purpose of the event is to present to Member States case studies on successful spent fuel and high level waste transportation campaigns and to facilitate a discussion on how the identified lessons learned can be best utilized by interested organizations planning to carry out spent fuel and high level waste transportation in the future. share technical information on the management of spent nuclear fuel from the operation of small modular reactors and to anticipate related opportunities and challenges.

The attached Information Sheet provides further details of the event.

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.

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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 **16 September 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 Christoph Gastl, Division of Nuclear Fuel Cycle and Waste Technology, Department of Nuclear Energy (Email: C.Gastl@iaea.org). The Scientific Secretary of the event will liaise with the participants

directly concerning further arrangements, including travel details, as appropriate, once the official designations have been received.

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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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Enclosure: Information Sheet

Participation Form (Form A)

Form for Submission of a Paper (Form B)

Grant Application Form (Form C)



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Information Sheet

Introduction

The IAEA's SSR-6 "Regulations for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material" details the safety aspects of spent fuel transportation and more generally, establishes standards of safety to ensure control of the radiation, criticality, and thermal hazards to persons, properties, and the environment, associated with the transport of radioactive materials. General explanations on how to implement the transport regulations can be found in SSG-26 "Advisory Material for the IAEA Regulations for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material".

While SSR-6 covers what must be done to ensure the safety of spent fuel during transport and SSG-26 provides generic guidance on how to apply the regulations, neither of these documents provide specific examples of how compliance can be achieved. As experience of spent fuel transport is varied across Member States, there is value to be gained in the sharing of operational experiences and lessons learned in the technical approaches to transport.

Lessons learned and operational experiences of proven transport regimes and of available technologies for different modes (e.g. road, rail and sea) are of great interest to Member States planning to transport spent fuel.

Objectives

This event will support Member States in improving their understanding of spent fuel transport operations. The draft of an IAEA publication "Technical Approaches and Lessons Learned in Transportation of Spent Fuel: Case Studies of Successful Transportation Campaigns" describing operational experience of spent fuel transportation over the last decades was developed with contributions from international experts. It includes several case studies contributed by different countries. The draft will be presented and discussed during the Technical Meeting in an attempt to achieve Member States' consensus on the content.

Discussions with the meeting participants on the most recent operational experience will allow for further improvement of the draft. In addition, the specifics relating to the transport of higher burnup fuels and mixed oxides fuels, whose requirements are described in the draft manuscript, will also be discussed.

Target Audience

The event is intended to bring together practitioners, technologists, researchers and regulators to discuss the draft the IAEA publication in order to reach consensus, and to facilitate the exchange of information on the latest approaches to and current issues related to all phases of a spent fuel transportation campaign. Participants should be actively involved in the subject of the event and have considerable experience of the relevant activities.

Working Language

English.

Expected Outputs

The output of the meeting will be an improved understanding of the technical challenges and opportunities for the transport of spent fuels by Member States, and Member States' approval of the content of the draft IAEA publication "Technical Approaches and Lessons Learned in Transportation of Spent Fuel: Case Studies of Successful Transportation Campaigns" is expected.

Structure

The event will include five days of presentations given by the case study authors and meeting participants followed by discussions on the topics presented.

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 **16 September 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 the above deadline.

Selected participants will be informed in due course on the procedures to be followed with regard to administrative and financial matters.

Participants are hereby informed that the personal data they submit will be processed in line with the <u>Agency's Personal Data and Privacy Policy</u> and is collected solely for the purpose(s) of reviewing and assessing the application and to complete logistical arrangements where required.

Presentations

Participants are expected to give presentations describing their experience with transportation of spent fuel

Expenditures and Grants

No registration fee is charged to participants.

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Venue

The event will be held at the Vienna International Centre (VIC), where the IAEA's Headquarters are located. Participants must make their own travel and accommodation arrangements.

General information on the VIC and other practical details, such as a list of hotels offering a reduced rate for IAEA participants, are listed on the following IAEA web page: www.iaea.org/events.

Participants are advised to arrive at Checkpoint 1/Gate 1 of the VIC one hour before the start of the event on the first day in order to allow for timely registration. Participants will need to present an official photo identification document in order to be admitted to the VIC premises.

Visas

Participants who require a visa to enter Austria should submit the necessary application to the nearest diplomatic or consular representative of Austria at least four weeks before they travel to Austria. Since Austria is a Schengen State, persons requiring a visa will have to apply for a Schengen visa. In States where Austria has no diplomatic mission, visas can be obtained from the consular authority of a Schengen Partner State representing Austria in the country in question.

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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.

Event Web Page

Please visit the following IAEA web page regularly for new information regarding this event:

www.iaea.org/events/EVT2105842



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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: 16 September 2022

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