



Technical Meeting to Promote the Universalization of the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (CPPNM) and its Amendment

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Information Sheet

Introduction

The Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (CPPNM) entered into force on 8 February 1987, and the Amendment entered into force on 8 May 2016. The CPPNM and its Amendment, the only legally binding undertakings in the area of physical protection of nuclear material, and of nuclear facilities used for peaceful purposes, underpin nuclear security around the world. The Amendment expands the scope of application of the original Convention to cover the physical protection of nuclear material in domestic use, storage and transport, and of nuclear facilities used for peaceful purposes. It also provides for expanded cooperation between and among States, inter alia, with regard to implementing rapid measures to locate and recover missing or stolen nuclear material, as well as mitigating or minimizing any radiological consequences of sabotage of nuclear material or nuclear facilities. It further expands on the list of offences involving or directed at nuclear material or nuclear facilities that must be criminalized by States Parties. These instruments are pertinent for all States, not just those with nuclear facilities or material. Universal adherence to and full implementation of the CPPNM and its Amendment will help to ensure that nuclear material and facilities throughout the world are properly protected against malicious acts.

Objectives

The objective of the meeting is to promote further adherence to, and effective implementation of, the CPPNM and its Amendment through facilitating bilateral cooperation and assistance among States, and to enable discussions on practical experiences and lessons learned in adherence to, and implementation of, the CPPNM and its Amendment.

Target Audience

The event is open to all countries that have joined the CPPNM and its Amendment or not. Designated participants should be officials of national governments with responsibility for facilitating the adherence to or the implementation of the CPPNM and the Amendment. Preference will be given to officially designated legal and/or technical officials from national authorities that are responsible for adherence to or the implementation of the CPPNM and its Amendment.

Working Language(s)

English

Participation and Registration

In order to be designated, participants are requested to submit their application via the InTouch+ platform (<https://intouchplus.iaea.org>) to the competent national authority (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission to the IAEA or National Atomic Energy Authority) or organization for onward transmission to the IAEA by **23 October 2025**, following the registration procedure in InTouch+:

1. Access the InTouch+ platform (<https://intouchplus.iaea.org>):
 - Persons with an existing NUCLEUS account can sign in to the platform with their username and password;
 - Persons without an existing NUCLEUS account can register [here](#).
2. Once signed in, prospective participants can use the InTouch+ platform to:
 - Complete or update their personal details under ‘Complete Profile’ and upload the relevant supporting documents;
 - Search for the relevant event under the ‘My Eligible Events’ tab;
 - Select the Member State or invited organization they want to represent from the drop-down menu entitled ‘Designating Authority’ (if an invited organization is not listed, please contact InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org);
 - If applicable, indicate whether a paper is being submitted and complete the relevant information;
 - If applicable, indicate whether financial support is requested and complete the relevant information (this is not applicable to participants from invited organizations);
 - Based on the data input, the InTouch+ platform will automatically generate the Participation Form (Form A) and/or the Grant Application Form (Form C);
 - Submit their application.

Once submitted through the InTouch+ platform, the application, together with the auto-generated form(s), will be transmitted automatically to the required authority for approval. If approved, the application, together with the applicable form(s), will automatically be sent to the IAEA through the online platform.

NOTE: The application for financial support should be made, together with the submission of the application, by **23 October 2025**.

For additional information on how to apply for an event, please refer to the [InTouch+ Help](#) page. Any other issues or queries related to InTouch+ can be sent to InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org.

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 [Agency's Personal Data and Privacy Policy](#) and is collected solely for the purpose(s) of reviewing and assessing the application and to complete logistical arrangements where required. The IAEA may also use the contact details of Applicants to inform them of the IAEA's scientific and technical publications, or the latest employment opportunities and current open vacancies at the IAEA. These secondary purposes are consistent with the IAEA's mandate. Further information can be found in the [Data Processing Notice](#) concerning the IAEA InTouch+ platform.

Expenditures and Grants

No registration fee is charged to 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.

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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:
<https://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.