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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 **Fourth Regional Seminar on Introduction to Nuclear Forensics** (hereinafter referred to as "event") to be held in Minsk, Belarus, from 12 to 16 December 2022.

The purpose of the event is to share information on the conduct of nuclear forensic examinations in the context of relevant response plans for events involving nuclear and other radioactive material out of regulatory control.

The attached Information Sheet provides further details of the event.

The event will be held in English and Russian.

Member States are invited to designate one or more participants to represent the Government at this event. Member States are strongly encouraged to identify 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. The application for financial support should be made at the time of designating the participants using the attached Grant Application Form (Form C).

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 IAEA 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.

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 **31 October 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, Ms Anna Selezneva, Division of Nuclear Security, Department of Nuclear Safety and Security (Email: A.Selezneva@iaea.org), and to the Administrative Secretary, Ms Nicola Vorhofer (Email: N.Vorhofer@iaea.org). The Scientific Secretary of the event will liaise with the participants directly concerning further arrangements, including travel details, as appropriate, once official designations have been received.

Should Governments wish, in addition, to appoint one or more observers to assist and advise the designated participants, they are kindly requested to inform the IAEA of the names and contact details of any such observers by the above date. In accordance with the established rules, Governments are expected to bear the cost of attendance of any observers they may send to IAEA events. Compensation is not payable by the IAEA for any damage to or loss of observers' personal property or for illness, injury or death occurring while travelling to or in connection with their attendance at IAEA events.

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)

Grant Application Form (Form C)



Fourth Regional Seminar on Introduction to Nuclear Forensics

Hosted by the

Government of Belarus

through the

State Forensic Examination Committee of the Republic of Belarus

Minsk, Belarus

12 - 16 December 2022

Ref. No.: EVT2205400

Information Sheet

Introduction

This regional IAEA seminar is an essential part of the IAEA's nuclear security programme with the support of the Russian Federation and its Laboratory for Microparticle Analysis (LMA). This seminar will engage primarily Russian speaking experts who support the development and implementation of a State's relevant response plans for nuclear security events, as well as those responsible for organizing and sustaining capabilities for nuclear forensics analysis and interpretation in the context of a nuclear security event investigation. The event will cover methodology, specific practices that are currently applied, analytical techniques and legal requirements.

Objectives

The objective of the fourth seminar is to share applied practices, methodology, legal requirements and analytical techniques of nuclear forensic examination in the context of relevant response plans to respond to events involving nuclear and other radioactive material out of regulatory control. The Seminar follows the previous three seminars on Introduction to Nuclear Forensics convened in September 2017 and May 2019 in Moscow, and in December 2019 in Almaty, Kazakhstan, as well as the Regional Exercise on Forensic Examination of Evidence and Trace Amounts of Nuclear Material from Radiological Crime Scenes (June 21-25, 2021 in Moscow).

Target Audience

Participants having a general understanding of the role of nuclear forensics in the context of a nuclear security event, drawn from organizations: (a) supporting the development and implementation of a country's national response plan for nuclear security events; (b) tasked with raising awareness of nuclear forensics; and (c) responsible for organizing and sustaining capabilities for nuclear forensics analysis and interpretation in the context of a nuclear security event investigation. Participants should also be familiar with IAEA published guidance in radiological crime scene management and nuclear forensics, and should have participated, if possible, in other international meetings or working groups related to nuclear forensics as a preventive and response to a nuclear security event. The seminar builds upon the outcomes of the three previous IAEA Regional Seminars on Introduction to Nuclear Forensics, as well as the Regional Exercise in this field, and priority will be given to individuals who have completed these seminars and participated in the Exercise, in order to ensure continuity where possible.

Working Language(s)

English and Russian

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 31 October 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.

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. Further information can be found in the <u>Data Processing Notice</u> concerning 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.

The application for financial support should be made using the **Grant Application Form (Form C)** which has to be stamped, signed and submitted by the competent national authority to the IAEA together with the **Participation Form (Form A)** by **31 October 2022**.

Visas

Participants who require a visa to enter Belarus should submit the necessary application as soon as possible to the nearest diplomatic or consular representative of Belarus.

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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To be completed by the participant and sent to the competent national authority (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission to the IAEA, or National Atomic Energy Authority) of his/her country for subsequent transmission to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) either by email to: Official.Mail@iaea.org or by fax to: +43 1 26007 (no hard copies needed). Please also send a copy by email to the Scientific Secretary [Name@iaea.org] and to the Administrative Secretary [Name@iaea.org].

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

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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. 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.



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