



32nd Meeting of the INPRO Steering Committee

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and virtual participation via Cisco Webex

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Information Sheet

Introduction

The International Project on Innovative Nuclear Reactors and Fuel Cycles (INPRO) was launched in 2000, in accordance with resolution GC (44)/RES/21, adopted in that year by the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). The project's objectives are to help ensure that nuclear energy remains available in the twenty-first century and is developed in a sustainable manner. Moreover, INPRO seeks to bring together all interested Member States, including technology holders and users, so that they can jointly consider the actions necessary to achieve desired innovations in nuclear energy. The current membership of INPRO comprises 43 IAEA Member States and the European Commission. In 2014, the INPRO Group became a Section within the Division of Nuclear Power in the IAEA's Department of Nuclear Energy.

At present, INPRO is implementing activities identified in its Subprogramme Plan for 2022-2023, as previously endorsed by the INPRO Steering Committee. Four tasks are reflected in the INPRO Subprogramme Plan for 2022-2023. Task 1: Global Scenarios; Task 2: Innovations; Task 3: Sustainability Assessment and Strategies; and Task 4: Dialogue and Outreach.

Additional INPRO key programme details are available at the website: <https://nucleus.iaea.org/sites/inpro>.

Objectives

The following are the objectives of this meeting.

- Present high-level update on INPRO programme including financial report
- Highlight the new INPRO Advisory Service
- Review year's progress on INPRO tasks and plans for next year (2024)
- Recognize Member State contributions to INPRO and future plans (presentations by INPRO Members)
- Identify subject matter experts to support INPRO projects and Advisory Service
- Endorse INPRO Subprogramme Plan 2024-2025
- Endorse INPRO Strategic Plan 2024-2029
- Develop proposals/plans and identify participation for collaborative projects:
 - FRAMES [Framework for Modelling Electricity Systems]
 - Fossil Fuel (Coal) to Nuclear
- Identify new activities (projects) for INPRO and ideas for Dialogue Forums

Target Audience

The INPRO Steering Committee (SC), comprising *members* and *observers*. *Members* are senior officials from INPRO Member States, nominated by their State as a point of contract, and they participate through provision of extra-budgetary resources. *Observers* are representatives from interested States and international organizations. Additionally, representatives of IAEA and INPRO project management and staff will attend.

Working Language(s)

English is the working language of the meeting, covering all communications and presentations. There will be no provision of interpretation.

Presentations and Reports

The IAEA and INPRO encourages INPRO Member State participants to give a presentation specifically highlighting their INPRO activities and contributions, along with expected contributions for 2024. Alternatively, INPRO Members may submit a report that highlights the past year's activities and expected contributions for 2024. The presentations (~5 minutes) and reports should cover the following topics:

- General role of nuclear energy in State
- INPRO activities and accomplishments in 2023
- Other contributions to INPRO in 2023
- Plans for 2024 contributions, activities, and subject matter experts to support INPRO

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 invited to attend.

In order to be designated by an IAEA Member State or invited organization, 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 **13 September 2023**, 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 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 **13 September 2023**.

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+ may be sent to InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org.

In due course the IAEA will inform selected participants on the procedures to follow regarding 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 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 or to his or her State's participation in INPRO activities.

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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.

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 to be admitted to the VIC premises.

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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/EVT2103658