

Technical Meeting on Educational Networks

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Information Sheet

Introduction

In line with IAEA General Conference resolutions, the Secretariat supports Member States in ensuring the sustainability of nuclear education and training for the peaceful use of nuclear energy. This is achieved through regional educational networks, fostering cooperation and optimizing the use of educational resources.

Regional and interregional cooperation enhances knowledge-sharing, facilitates best practices, and strengthens partnerships among nuclear education and training institutions worldwide. The IAEA actively fosters educational networks in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Eastern Europe and Central Asia, and collaborates with associated educational, human resource, and knowledge development networks in these and other regions.

These networks contribute to nuclear knowledge management, ensuring the availability of skilled human resources for the safe and sustainable use of nuclear technology. Additionally, they promote collaboration among academia, government, and industry.

The IAEA supports educational networks through technical cooperation projects, meeting events, and collaborative initiatives. This year's event will focus on nuclear knowledge management (NKM) services and resources, fostering the exchange of best practices. Participants will share educational outreach strategies, collaborative approaches between academia, government, and industry, and other relevant initiatives. Key findings will be incorporated into an IAEA technical document.

During the event, participants will review network activities, assess progress, explore opportunities for enhanced collaboration, and contribute to the development of a related draft document.

Objectives

The event aims to strengthen cooperation and exchange best practices among nuclear education networks, with a focus on educational outreach initiatives. Specific objectives include:

- Identifying common challenges and synergies in nuclear education;
- Sharing best practices in educational outreach;
- Discussing effective academia-government-industry collaboration;
- Developing a joint action plan for IAEA-supported networks.

Target Audience

The meeting is intended for:

- Nuclear education providers;
- Representatives of national and regional networks, agencies, and institutions supporting nuclear education.

Working Language

The working language of the event is English.

Expected Outputs

The expected outputs of the event include:

- Compilation of good practices in networking, educational outreach and academiagovernment-industry collaboration;
- Shared action plan of the IAEA supported and collaborative networks;
- Summary report on the event's discussions and outcomes.

Participation and Registration

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 10 July 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 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 autogenerated 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 10 July 2025.

For additional information on how to apply for an event, please refer to the <u>InTouch+ Help</u> page. Any other issues or queries related to InTouch+ can be sent to <u>InTouchPlus.Contact-Point@iaea.org</u>

Selected participants will be informed in due course on the procedures to be followed with regard to administrative and technical 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. 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 <u>Data Processing Notice</u> concerning IAEA InTouch+platform.

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 requiring a visa should apply at the nearest Austrian diplomatic or consular office at least four weeks before travel. As Austria is part of the Schengen Zone, applicants may need to request a Schengen visa. In countries without an Austrian mission, visas can be obtained from the consular authority of a Schengen partner state representing Austria.

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Subsequent correspondence on scientific matters should be sent to the Scientific Secretaries, and correspondence on other matters related to the event should be sent to the Administrative Secretary.

Event Web Page

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