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International Conference on the Safe and Secure Transport of Radioactive Materials:

THE NEXT FIFTY YEARS —

CREATING A SAFE, SECURE AND SUSTAINABLE FRAMEWORK

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BACKGROUND

2011 marks the fiftieth anniversary of the issue of the IAEA's first Regulations for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Materials in 1961. Security recommendations applying to the transport of nuclear material initially dated from 1972 and have since included The Physical Protection of Nuclear Material and Nuclear Facilities, which was first issued in 1975. The industry has an enviable reputation for safety and security in transport.

Safety and security requirements and measures have been developed and implemented for all modes of transport for all classes of dangerous goods. Currently many States are in the process of developing a national regulatory framework that is essential to ensure and facilitate safe and secure transport.

The International Conference scheduled for October 2011 provides an ideal opportunity to review current modes of operations and activities. It will be a highly focussed international forum that can identify strengths, weaknesses and areas for improvement in the safe and secure transport of nuclear and radioactive material.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE

The objective of the Conference is to encourage application of appropriate levels of safety and security during transport by:

- promoting international discussion on the safety and security of radioactive material;
- identifying and sharing best practice;
- identifying issues and problems;
- identifying opportunities, such as providing assistance, to support national adoption of comprehensive transport safety and security frameworks;
- develop ideas for coordinating and enhancing safety and security.

SCOPE AND MAJOR ISSUES OF THE CONFERENCE

The Conference will address:

- information security and the need for transparency;
- nuclear and other radioactive material in legal regulated transport (not illicit trafficking, smuggling, etc.);
- all modes of transport;
- safety;
- security;
- domestic and international, including transit movements;
- response to accidents and security events;
- legislative and regulatory requirements and approaches;
- practical (transport operations);
- regional networks; and
- ways on how to address public perception and concerns when faced with radioactive and nuclear material.

The Conference programme will consist of plenary sessions and working groups.

PARTICIPATION

The target audience includes: policy and decision makers within national governments; national regulators; technical support organizations; law enforcement representatives; international, regional, industry and stakeholder organizations.

Around 600 participants are expected to attend.

REGISTRATION

There is no registration fee. Please see the conference web page for the participation form and details for submission.

WORKING LANGUAGE

The working language of the conference will be English.

